

The Castine Historical Society collects, preserves and exhibits materials that illuminate the rich history of the Castine - Bagaduce River area and, through it, that of New England and America, from pre-Colonial times to the present. In doing so, the Society seeks to engage residents and visitors of all ages in the exploration and stewardship of Castine's diverse historical resources.



Photo: Nick Tenney



Grindle House

The **Samuel P. Grindle House**, next door to The Abbott School, was acquired by the Historical Society in 2008. Built by a Castine ship carpenter in 1850, the house is significant as a mid nineteenth-century Greek Revival domestic structure. In 2013, work began on an extensive restoration of the house. The project includes the addition of a new archival storage wing. This state-of-the-art facility protects the Society's collections from environmental and accidental harm. The home provides office space for administrative and curatorial personnel, research space, a library, and an exhibit gallery.

The **Abbott School** (see front of brochure) was built by the Castine School District in 1859, in the then-fashionable Italianate style, to function as a high school. The building also served as the Eastern State Normal School (1867-1873) and closed its educational doors in 1961 due to low enrollment. After a period of private ownership, the Historical Society acquired the building in 1994, restored the exterior and added a lecture hall. The ground floor is used for exhibitions devoted to the history of Castine which are open to the public without charge.



Become part of
the brick path
to Castine's
past and future



Abbott School

How the Bricks project works

The Castine Historical Society has undertaken an exciting project based on the sale of inscribed bricks. These bricks are laid in the sidewalks surrounding the Abbott School. The inscribed bricks will replace existing bricks and become a remembrance of you and yours that will be seen and appreciated by current and future generations.

Revenues derived from the sale of these bricks will be used for the support of our buildings and the general purposes of the Society.

Please help The Castine Historical Society fulfill our mission of preserving the history and heritage of Castine through educational programs, exhibits and publications.

You are also invited to help in another way. We invite you to become a member of the Society and in this way to stay in touch with us through our newsletter, other special mailings and the many events we sponsor. Membership costs are modest and the rewards are great.

Buy a Brick to Support this Valuable Community Resource

Your name, or that of your family, organization, honoree, or event, will be etched on each brick you buy - a visible, lasting tribute to the people of historic Castine.

Your Name _____

Your Address _____

Your Phone (H) _____ (C) _____

\$ _____ enclosed for _____ bricks at \$50 each (tax deductible*)

Please print clearly. Use a separate sheet for additional bricks.

Name(s) and/or date(s) to be inscribed: 3 lines; 12 letters / spaces per line max.

Brick #1

Brick #2

Brick #3

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Please make your check payable to The Castine Historical Society & mail to:
Treasurer, Castine Historical Society, P.O. Box 238, Castine, ME 04421.

We also accept credit cards over the phone, or at our gift shop.

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