



1779-1783 Fort George Protected by the Crown

After the British victory at Fort George (Penobscot Expedition, 1779), Castine became a safe haven for the Scottish and Hessian troops and the Loyalists who flocked there from other parts of New England. The Fort was continuously reinforced as the British assumed the Penobscot River would become the border between the inevitable United States of America and British North America. Fort George was vacated by the crown troops in 1783 when John Adams proved that the whole Maine Province was a part of Massachusetts, and therefore part of the new United States of America.



Join us on September 9 & 10 to experience what life was like at Fort George from 1779 to 1783

Fort George, Castine, Maine

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Events

September 8th

7pm "The Hessian Officer in America" - 1783 comedy by Johann August Weppen-Delano Hall, MMA

September 9th

8am-9:30am Breakfast, Trinitarian Parish Church, Main Street

9am-4pm Encampment at Fort George
- Scottish, British and Hessian Braunschweig and Ansback-Bayeuth Troops
- Troop Drills & Recruitments
- Meet Loyalists
- Informal Historical Presentations

9:30am-noon Bagpipe Procession - Trinitarian Church to Fort George - Castine Bagpiper Will MacArthur, followed by performance at Fort George.

1:30pm From Away DownEast - Period songs and ballads - Fort George

5pm-6pm Lecture: Mixed Allegiances
Dr. Liam Roirdan
1954 Room, Maine Maritime Academy

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September 10th

9am-4pm Encampment at Fort George - see above

11am Acadia Bagpiper Ernie Smith - Traditional and Period music - Fort George

1:30pm Castlebay-Duet performing period music - Fort George

3pm "The Hessian Officer in America" - 1783 comedy by Johann August Weppen-Delano Hall, MMA



Presented by:

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