

The Historical Society of Rockland County Invites You to Join Us for



# Ramapo Mountain Iron And the American Revolution



**Sunday, July 26, 2025**

The presentation will start promptly at 1 pm in the lower-level Community Room

Price: \$5 (*space is limited; reservations required*).

Register online at  
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In the decades leading up to the Revolutionary War, rich deposits of iron ore were discovered in the Ramapo Mountains. Early entrepreneurs who sought to capitalize on this resource by mining and smelting the ore into products, however, were thwarted by British laws that prohibited the manufacture of finished goods in the American Colonies. In this illustrated talk, Susan Deeks will discuss the ironmaking villages that existed at Rockland's western border during the 1770s; the challenges they faced to protect their facilities, operations, and laborers; and their role in helping George Washington ultimately prevail over the British in the Hudson Valley.

*About the speaker:* Susan Deeks is the executive director of the Historical Society of Rockland County. She has a master's degree in history, with a concentration in the industrial history of the Lower Hudson Valley and specialization in the historical iron mines, forges, and furnaces that operated in the Ramapo Mountains from 1764 to 1888.

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*Cancellation policy: Refunds will be given only if we are able to fill your seat prior to the lecture. A waiting list will be compiled, and available spaces will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Only those who have made full payment can be accommodated.*

**Reservation Fee:** \_\_\_ Seats at \$5.00 per person = \$\_\_\_

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