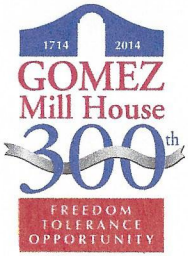


# GOMEZ MILL HOUSE c.1714



Museum and Historic Site

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## MEDIA ALERT

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### **ULSTER COUNTY HISTORIAN ANNE GORDON – SEPT 27, 1PM** ***The Historic Apple Orchard Industry of Southern Ulster County***

Marlboro, Sept 9, 2015 – On Sept 27, 2015 at 1pm, Ulster County Historian Anne Gordon will speak on the historic apple orchard industry of Marlborough and southern Ulster County.

Important to the current landscape and community, local apple orchards existed before colonial European settlements. This program will look at the history of apple cultivation in the Hudson Valley from the time of native peoples to commercial developments beginning after the Revolution and carried on to the present day. Some of the folk traditions of apple cults in Europe will be included.

Anne Gordon has been the Ulster County Historian for the past 7 years. Her background in library and archival work for New York City government, and her experience in local government have been important assets in her current position. She was recently named as a New York State Registered Public Historian. Anne holds degrees from Brooklyn College and Pratt Institute. A native of Virginia, she has lived in the Hudson Valley for more than 30 years. As the Ulster County Historian, Anne coordinates the work of local historians and historical societies; advocates for local history and preservation; interprets the past through research and public presentations; and provides guidance on topics dealing with Ulster County history.

***Point of interest:*** in 1864, William Henry Armstrong, owner of the Gomez Mill House (1862-1904), showed the family's prize apples at the annual exhibition of the Newburgh Horticultural Society, an organization started by his father Edward, AJ Downing, and others.

*The mission of the Gomez Foundation for Mill House is to preserve the 300 year old Gomez Mill House—the oldest standing Jewish dwelling in North America and home to Patriots, Preservationists, Artisans and Social Activists—as a significant regional and national-ranked museum, and to educate the public about the contributions of the site's former owners to the multicultural history of the Hudson River Valley.*

*The Gomez Mill House Museum and Historic Site is located at 11 Mill House Road, directly off 9W, in Marlboro, NY. General admission to the Museum is \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors 55 or older, \$4 for students with ID and children age 7 to 17; children under age 5 admitted free. Reservations are required for groups of 10 or more.*

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