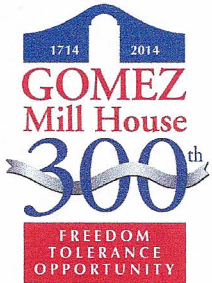


GOMEZ MILL HOUSE c.1714



Museum and Historic Site

The History of Our Nation is Embedded in These Walls



MEDIA ALERT

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ALLYNNE LANGE TO SPEAK ON

THE GOLDEN AGE OF HUDSON RIVER STEAMBOATS

Allynne Lange, Curator of the Hudson River Maritime Museum, will speak on 19th and early 20th century steamboat transportation on the Hudson River. The discussion will include both elegant passenger ships and commercial vessels, similar to those operated by Gomez Mill House residents.

As a child, Allynne and her family enjoyed the Hudson River Day Line from New York to Kingston, She was introduced to steamers by her uncle whose home was near the Hudson and whose collection of 19th century lithographs of steamboats was a source of great fascination.

Allynne has worked at the Hudson River Maritime Museum since 1983, as a docent and as Education Director and has served as curator for the past eighteen years. For nearly twenty years, she has been a member of the Board of Managers for the Historic Society of Newburgh Bay and the Highlands.

Gomez Mill House resident Wolvert Ecker began a ferry service from Marlborough to Wappinger following the Revolutionary War. After his death, his son William, continued it until 1827. Beginning in the 1810s, this ferry transported steamboat passengers and cargo. In 1830, local businessmen purchased it to create the Hampton-Hamburg Ferry Company. Gomez Mill House resident William Henry Armstrong's brothers, David Maitland and Gouverneur, were shareholders in the company in the late 1860s.

The mission of 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 its former owners to the multicultural history of the Hudson River Valley

The Gomez Mill House and Historic Site is located at 11 Mill House Road off 9W, in Marlboro, NY. General admission to the Museum (includes Gallery admission) is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors 55 or older, and \$3 for students with ID and children age 6 to 18; children under 6 are admitted free. Groups of 10 or more receive discounted rates and reservations are required.

The Gallery is open 10am – 4pm Wednesday through Sunday. Gallery admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors, & \$1 for children/students.

All programs start at 1pm, unless otherwise noted. For more information contact: Gomez Mill House and Historic Site at (845)236-3126 or via Email: gomezmillhouse@juno.org.