

Tories, Spies, and Traitors: Divided Loyalty in Revolutionary Connecticut

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Please join us on Zoom with **Natalie Belanger, Adult Programs Manager at the Connecticut Historical Society**, who will present on Connecticut during the American Revolution. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link for this free virtual program.

Which side are you on? That's the question that every person in Connecticut, including here in Washington, had to answer in 1775 as the thirteen colonies began a rebellion against British rule. Loyalty was not only a matter of words or opinion. For soldiers and civilians alike, loyalty could mean loss of fortune, friends, and even of life. This presentation reveals stories - some well-known, some obscure - of Nutmeggers, including one from Washington, CT, who risked and sacrificed to support their chosen side during this "tumultuous jarring time of civil war."



Revolutionary War Graphic of a captured Tory. From the collection of the Connecticut Historical Society.

Natalie is the Adult Programs Manager at the Connecticut Historical Society. She holds a B.A. in history from Smith College and an M.A. in women's history from the University of Maryland. She has worked in museum education for most of her career, and also teaches history courses at Manchester Community College and other area colleges.



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