

The Ladies of Refined Taste and Friends present The Hive 2008

Minuteman National Historic Park -- Concord, MA Major John Buttrick House

Sunday January 13, 2008

1pm-2pm

Lecture: Battle Road Clothing Review - Using period satirical prints as inspiration for assembling your Battle Road kit.

2pm -4pm -- Clinics **Clinic 1 - - Individual Clothing Consultations -** Discuss the options for a new kit or improvements to your existing kit in one on one sessions

Clinic 2 – Sewing Bee – Stuck on a clothing project? Can't get those sleeves to fit properly? Not sure where that hem should fall? Bring a project you are working on for help, inspiration or just because you need to get it done!

Sunday February 10, 2008

1pm-2pm

Lecture: 18th century hair of the lower and middle class. We'll be taking a look at hair and hat options as depicted in period artwork as well as advertisements and inventories.

2pm-4pm -- Clinics

Clinic 1 - Making a Workman's cap

Hand sew your own linen workman's cap. Learn some basic hand sewing techniques while constructing a useful item.

Clinic 2 - Applying period construction techniques to a commercial pattern

We'll show you how to take a woman's gown pattern and make it more accurate (and easier to make) by using 18th century clothing construction methods.

Sunday March 16, 2008

1pm-2pm

Lecture: Earbobs, Witches Hearts, Sleeve links, wig loops --What's what in 18th century jewelry and which is right for you? Join our guest speaker Sharon Burnston for a discussion on period "bling" for men and women of all social classes. By studying period portraits as well as some of her personal treasures, Sharon will guide you through a tour of period ewelry that will help you find just the right accessories for your impression

2pm-4pm -- Clinics

Clinic 1 -Lining a man's hat.

Make your hat more comfortable and gain a better fit with a proper lining. Bring your unlined hat or a hat that needs new innards

Clinic 2 - Hemming a petticoat

Learn about the techniques for finishing the hem of a petticoat.

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The Ladies of Refined Taste and Friends present Workshops 2008

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Unlined Frock Coat Workshop with Henry Cooke January 12-13, 2008

Frock coats and workman's jackets constitute the principal outer garments of middle and working class New Englanders in the 1770's. Research has found increasingly that unlined coats and jackets were favored for warm weather wear, and as such, make an ideal garment for most reenactors to have in their civilian wardrobe. Light, easy and comfortable, they allow the wearer to be cool, while allowing one to be fashionably and modestly dressed.

Workshop will focus on hand construction of an unlined linen or woolen frock coat. Class will cover selecting materials, how to alter the basic pattern, and details of cutting, assembly, and finishing techniques, including thread and covered buttons and buttonholes. While it is recommended that participants bring a strong linen for their project, a firm finished broadcloth can also be used -- please consult with Henry if you wish to pursue that option.

Participants will receive workshop handouts and copy of frock coat pattern sized to the person they are making for, for which Henry will need to know measure of chest and waist no later than the first of February. For more information and to reserve your place, contact Henry Cooke, hcooke4@verizon.net, or 781-963-9645 Cost per person \$50

Create an 18th Century Swatch Book - Hallie Larkin Sunday February 10, 2008 10am -12pm

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This workshop will explore the wide and often confusing variety of 18th century fabrics. You will assemble your own swatch book of linens, silks and wools appropriate for reproducing 18th century clothing and accessories for both men and women. Original garments and fabrics swatches will be on hand for study and research. Cost 35.00 per person. To sign up contact Hallie at halliemiss2@yahoo.com

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Making a Short Cloak - Sue Felshin Saturday March 15, 2008 10am - 2pm

During this session you will learn about short cloaks and mantles, then learn how to construct a short cloak. Your short cloak will keep you warm while providing freedom of movement. You will choose between a hooded or collared style. You will provide your own materials, but Sue will have some for sale as well. To sign up or for more information contact Sue at sfelshin@csail.mit.edu Cost \$30/person

> 18th Century Crewel Embroidery - Hallie Larkin Sunday March 16 10am - 12pm

Make your own 18th century pocket or stomacher using techniques and materials appropriate to 18th century crewel embroidery. You will choose from a wide variety of hand drawn patterns and colorful crewel wools. All materials are provided. Cost \$45.00 per person. To sign up contact Hallie at halliemiss2@yahoo.com

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