

# Happy Birthday Hamilton! 2017

Presented by the Alexander Hamilton Awareness Society  
New York and New Jersey, January 7-11, 2017

Alexander Hamilton was born on January 11, 1757 on the island of Nevis. *Happy Birthday Hamilton!* is an annual program hosted during the anniversary of Alexander Hamilton's birthday. Through presentations, historic site visits, and other commemorative events, attendees can learn more about Hamilton's fascinating life.

We also partner with Hamilton's birth island of Nevis in these festivities. In addition to the Nevis Historical and Conservation Society's annual Alexander Hamilton Birthday Tea Party on Nevis, this year the AHA Society will host a large delegation of officials from Nevis attending the events in New York City and New Jersey, including the Premier of Nevis, the St. Kitts and Nevis Ambassador, and the NHCS President.

## Program of Events

*Note: All events are open to the public and are free, unless ticket information is listed*

For event details, videos, photos, and more, please visit the events page on [www.theAHAsociety.org](http://www.theAHAsociety.org).

Also, follow along on social media with the hashtag #HamBday.

### Saturday, January 7th – Upper Manhattan

#### **9 AM-5 PM: Hamilton Grange National Memorial Activities**

A full program of tours, film showings, and special presentations in Hamilton's home:

**11 PM:** NPS Ranger Presentation: "Sweet Project: History of the Grange"

**12 PM:** "Alexander Hamilton," represented by Gene Pisasale, presents "Alexander Hamilton and the Birth of America's Financial System"

**1:30 PM:** Author Book Signing, *Alexander Hamilton's Guide to Life*

*Location:* 414 West 141<sup>st</sup> Street, NYC

#### **3:30 PM: Jeff Wilser: "Alexander Hamilton's Guide to Life"**

Author Jeff Wilser speaks on his new book *Alexander Hamilton's Guide to Life*

*Tickets:* \$15 per person, (\$10 for AHA or MJM members), reservations recommended

*Location:* Morris-Jumel Mansion, 65 Jumel Terrace, NYC

### Sunday, January 8th – Northern New Jersey

#### **2 PM: "Alexander Hamilton and the 24 Cannons at the Battle of Trenton"**

David Bosted speaks on the key role of artillery in the Battle of Trenton

*Location:* Trenton City Museum in Cadwalader Park, Trenton, NJ

#### **5 PM: Bryan Barreras: "Hamilton Sites in New York City & New Jersey"**

Author Bryan Barreras speaks on his new book *Where Was the Room Where It Happened?*

*Location:* Snyder Academy, 42 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

### Monday, January 9th – Jersey City and Lower Manhattan

#### **1 PM: "The Birth of Hamilton and Jersey City"**

Join Jersey City Mayor Fulop, Councilmember Boggiano, and author Thomas Fleming at City Hall to learn about Alexander Hamilton's key role in founding Jersey City shortly before Hamilton passed away in 1804

*Location:* City Hall, 280 Grove Street, Jersey City, NJ

#### **6:30 PM: Michael Newton: "Alexander Hamilton's Year of Birth: 1755 vs. 1757"**

Author and National Hamilton Scholar Michael E. Newton explores the debate on which year Hamilton was born, showing the existing evidence and which is stronger

*Location:* Fraunces Tavern Museum, 58 Pearl Street, NYC

*Tickets:* \$10 (Museum members \$5). Reservations required and seating is limited.

### Tuesday, January 10th – Lower Manhattan

#### **12 PM: Stephen F. Knott: "Alexander Hamilton and the Persistence of Myth"**

Dr. Knott will be officially recognized by the AHA Society as a National Hamilton Scholar and speak on his influential book, *Alexander Hamilton and the Persistence of Myth*

*Location:* John Street Methodist Church, 44 John Street, NYC

### Wednesday, January 11th – Lower Manhattan and Nevis

#### **11 AM: Flag-Raising Ceremony of the St. Kitts and Nevis Flag**

Officials from Hamilton's birth island of Nevis lead a special flag-raising ceremony

*Location:* Bowling Green Flagpole on Broadway, NYC (next to Charging Bull statue)

#### **12:30 PM: Barbara Chernow: "Behind the Scenes at the Papers of Alexander Hamilton: Living the Life of One Founding Father"**

Barbara Chernow speaks on her experience as associate editor of *The Papers of Alexander Hamilton*, a large collection of Hamilton's written papers and letters

*Location:* Museum of American Finance, 48 Wall Street, NYC

*Tickets:* \$5 (includes Museum admission); MoAF members and students free

#### **2 PM: Hamilton Graveside Remembrance**

Annual observance at Hamilton's grave, with participation by Trinity Church, the US Coast Guard & Auxiliary, the Museum of American Finance, and officials from Nevis

*Location:* Trinity Churchyard, 74 Trinity Place (Broadway at Wall Street), NYC

#### **6 PM: AHA Society 2017 Gala**

The first annual Gala dinner, honoring John Herzog with the *Hamilton Legacy Award*

*Location:* Down Town Association, 60 Pine Street, NYC

*Tickets:* Cocktail hour is open to all starting at 6 pm. Ticket reservations are required for the dinner portion of the evening, which begins at 6:45 pm