



Edenton Tea Party 250TH ANNIVERSARY



OCTOBER 25-26, 2024
EDENTON, NORTH CAROLINA

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2024

10:00 - 11:00 AM: OPENING CEREMONY

1767 CHOWAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE GREEN

Opening ceremony and student engagement program for the district's second and fourth grade classes. The occasion marked by ringing the historic Courthouse bell 250 times to signify each year of the anniversary.

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM: "EDENTON TEA PARTY 250TH ANNIVERSARY" EXHIBIT*

1782 PENELOPE BARKER HOUSE WELCOME CENTER-SECOND FLOOR

Exhibit on the Edenton Tea Party and the 51 Signers of the Edenton Resolves. Self-guided tours.

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM "SUGAR AND SPICE" EXHIBIT*

CHOWAN ARTS COUNCIL-GROUND FLOOR

Exhibit celebrating the work of female artists. Self-guided tours.

1:00 - 4:00 PM: "A SOCIETY OF PATRIOTIC LADIES"

1767 CHOWAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE GREEN

Living history program demonstrating how North Carolinians protested British taxation efforts prior to the American Revolution. Featuring costumed interpreters from North Carolina State Historic Sites.

5:30 - 7:30 PM-KEYNOTE LECTURE

1736 ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Public lecture featuring Margaret Pritchard, retired Deputy Chief Curator for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, who will discuss the 1775 satirical print, "A Society of Patriotic Ladies at Edenton in North Carolina" in its social and historical context. Reception to follow.*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024

10:00 - 11:00 AM: 250 YEARS OF EDENTON-CHOWAN WOMEN MAKING HISTORY PARADE

SOUTH BROAD STREET

Parade celebrating 250 years of impactful female leadership in Edenton and Chowan County. Featuring heritage bagpipers, the Tryon Palace Fife & Drum Corps, and the Colonial Williamsburg Fife & Drum Corps.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024 CONTINUED

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM: COLONIAL MARKET*

1758 CUPOLA HOUSE & GARDENS

Outdoor market by the Cupola House Association featuring colonial crafts, games, and refreshments as well as an array of goods and gifts. Open House tours of the first floor of the Cupola House.

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM: "ACTS OF REBELLION"

1800/1827 JAMES IREDELL HOUSE & GROUNDS

Living history program with lively, hands-on demonstrations of the many ways in which women participated in North Carolina's protest against the hated British tax on tea. Featuring costumed interpreters from North Carolina State Historic Sites.

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11:00 AM - 6:00 PM: FOOD TRUCKS*

COLONIAL WATERFRONT PARK

Featuring local entrepreneurs.

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM: WITHIN OUR POWER BOOK LAUNCH
SHEPARD-PRUDEN MEMORIAL LIBRARY-SECOND FLOOR

Launch of the new children's book, *Within Our Power: The Story of the Edenton Ladies' Tea Party* by Sally Walker, illustrated by Jonathan Voss, and produced by the North Carolina Department of Archives & History. Author talk, storytime and book signing.

1:00 PM: COMMEMORATIVE MURAL DEDICATION

CRESWELL FURNITURE, SOUTH BROAD STREET

Dedication ceremony for the Edenton Tea Party 250th Commemorative Mural completed by Max Dowdle (Weather Dependent-Mural completion requires clear weather from October 20th-25th).

4:00 - 7:00 PM: CELEBRATORY CONCERT

COLONIAL WATERFRONT PARK

Outdoor concert featuring a performance by the Grammy-nominated, three-time I.B.M.A. Award-winning all-female bluegrass band, Sister Sadie.

7:00 PM: FIREWORKS SHOW

COLONIAL WATERFRONT PARK

ALL ACTIVITIES IN THIS SCHEDULE ARE FREE
AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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