



Edenton Tea Party 250TH ANNIVERSARY



OCTOBER 25-26, 2024
EDENTON, NORTH CAROLINA

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2024

10:00 AM-OPENING CEREMONY

COURTHOUSE GREEN

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

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

1767 CHOWAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE

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 PM-KEYNOTE LECTURE

1736 ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Speaker program featuring Margaret Pritchard, retired Deputy Chief Curator for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. Ms. Pritchard's lecture will focus on the 1775 satirical print, "A Society of Patriotic Ladies at Edenton in North Carolina" in its social and historical context.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024

**10:00 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 the Colonial Williamsburg Fife & Drum Corps, the Tryon Palace Fife & Drum Corps, and Bill Caudill, Bagpiper.

11:00 AM-“ACTS OF REBELLION”

1800/1827 JAMES IREDELL HOUSE

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.

11:30 AM-WITHIN OUR POWER BOOK LAUNCH

SHEPARD-PRUDEN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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

4:00 PM-CELEBRATORY CONCERT

COLONIAL WATERFRONT PARK

Outdoor concert featuring performances by Jamie Laval, Fiddler, and 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

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