

# Guidebook: Corridor of Commerce

## UPPER HUDSON

### **Burden Iron Works Museum**

[http://www.hudsonrivervalley.com/index.cfm?section\\_id=6&page\\_id=83](http://www.hudsonrivervalley.com/index.cfm?section_id=6&page_id=83)

1 E Industrial Parkway  
Foot of Polk Street  
Troy, NY 12180



*Burden Iron Works Museum*

Hours: Guided tours by appointment only.

Notes: Email: [carroll@rpi.edu](mailto:carroll@rpi.edu)

Phone: 518-274-5267

### ***Historical Description:***

“Troy's most famous inventor. Burden was an inventive genius. He built an industrial complex in South Troy that featured the most powerful water wheel in the world. Burden's horseshoe machine, capable of making sixty horseshoes a minute, was a technological wonder. His rotary concentric squeezer, a machine for working wrought iron, was adopted by iron industries world wide. His hook-headed spike machine helped fuel the rapid expansion of railroads in the U.S. Henry Burden realized that Troy's strategic location as a hub of rail and water transportation networks made it possible to produce and ship an enormous quantity of finished goods-fifty one million horseshoes per year, for instance.”

### ***The Site:***

The museum is operated by the Hudson Mohawk Industrial Gateway, which also maintains downtown Troy's RiverSpark Visitor Center (where there are additional exhibits about the city's history) and sponsors a regular series of tours, the most popular of which focuses on Troy's large concentration of Tiffany windows

### ***Directions:***

Call for directions.

## UPPER HUDSON

### **Copake Falls**

<http://nysparks.state.ny.us/parks/info.asp?parkID=137>

#### Contact Information

Route 344, P.O. Box 100

Copake Falls, NY 12517

#### Hours:

Park is open year round, sunrise to sunset, weather and conditions permitting. Campground is open the first Friday in May through the first weekend in December. The winterized Greenwich Cabin area, a short drive to local ski resorts, is open year round.

Phone: (518) 329-3993

#### ***Historical Description:***

"Copake Falls is the oldest State Park in the Taconic Region and Brace Mountain is home to the highest point in Dutchess County. You can also stop at the newly created Iron Works museum to learn about the iron industry at the former site of Copake Iron Works, established in 1845."

#### ***The Site:***

"The extensive campground at Copake Falls has sites to accommodate campers seeking a more rustic experience, as well as those seeking a more "home like" experience. There are 46 tent, 24 tent platform, and 36 trailer sites and three cabin areas. The cabin areas vary in number of cabins, location and size."

#### ***Directions:***

Taconic Parkway:

Exit at Claverack-Hillsdale Exit. Take Route 23 east for 8 miles into Hillsdale. Turn right onto Route 22 south and go 4 miles to Copake Falls. Turn left onto Route 344 east. Park entrance will be ½ mile on the left.



*Copake Falls*

## UPPER HUDSON

### **Zadock Pratt Museum**

<http://www.prattmuseum.com/>

P.O.Box 333

Prattsville, NY 12468



*Zadock Pratt Museum*

Hours: Normal operational days and hours are Thursday through Sunday, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, starting on Memorial Day weekend and ending on Columbus Day weekend.

Notes: E-mail:prattmuseum@hotmail.com

Phone: 518-299-3395

#### ***Historical Description:***

"The Zadock Pratt Museum is dedicated to exhibiting the history and culture of the Northern Catskill Region during the mid-nineteenth century, the heyday of the hemlock-based tanning industry in the area. This area is best illustrated by reference to the life of Zadock Pratt, founder of Prattsville and the region's most prominent tanner."

#### ***The Site:***

"The Museum strives not only to preserve the Pratt Homestead and its collections, but also to interpret this period of history and to attract to the Museum, through diversified programs, all age and interest levels, using the Historic House Landmark as a backdrop to many education and cultural events and exhibits."

#### ***Directions:***

From the South, from New York City, Long Island and points south:

Take New York State Thruway (Interstate 87) North to Kingston (Exit 19). Follow Route 28 West for 28 miles to Shandaken, then take Rte 42 North, 11 miles to Lexington. Take a right and follow Route 23A West for 7 miles to Prattsville.

There is a second alternative, with a steep winding road to the mountaintop and a nice view of Kaaterskill Falls along the way:

Exit NY State Thruway at Saugerties (Exit 20). Follow Rte 32 North to Palenville. Then take Rte 23 West through Haines Falls, Tannersville, Hunter, to Prattsville.

From the North, Albany, Boston, Canada:

Take New York State Thruway (Interstate 87) South to Catskill (Exit 21). Follow Route 23 West through Cairo, Windham, Ashland, to Prattsville. From the West Take Interstate 80 from Binghamton to Oneonta. Follow Rte 23 East through Harpersfield, Stamford, Grand Gorge to Prattsville.

## UPPER HUDSON

### **RiverSpark**

<http://www.riverspark.org/>

Visitor Center  
251 River St  
Troy, NY 12180

#### Hours:

May 15th-September

Tues-Fri: 10am-6pm

Sat&Sun: 10am-5pm

October-May 15th

Tues-Sat: 11am-5pm

Admission: Free (donations appreciated) Groups are encouraged to schedule in advance

Notes: Email: [info@riverpark.org](mailto:info@riverpark.org)

Phone: (518) 270-8667

Fax: (518) 270-1119

#### ***Historical Description:***

“The theme of this area is Industry and Labor. Abundant and cheap water power sparked the nations first major industrial communities. Its strategic location along natural waterways made it a transportation hub or a network of canals and later railroads which stretched far to the north and west. It was the center of the thriving iron and textile industries, and the birthplace of some of the nation's first labor and union activities.”

#### ***The Site:***

“The RiverSpark Heritage Area is composed of seven municipalities: Cohoes, Colonie, Green Island, Town of Waterford, Village of Waterford, Watervliet and Troy (where RiverSpark is currently headquartered).”

#### ***Directions:***

From the North:

Take I-87 south to Exit 7 (Rt. 7 east). Take Rt. 7 east to Downtown Troy exit. Follow signs for downtown Troy, which will bring you onto 6th Avenue. Turn right one block past third traffic light onto Broadway. The Visitor Center is at the end of Broadway at 251 River Street.

From the South:

Take I-87 north to Exit 23 (Albany-Rensselaer). Follow I-787 north to the Troy-Bennington exit (Rt. 7 east). Take Downtown Troy exit at end of bridge. Follow signs for downtown Troy, which will bring you onto 6th Avenue. Turn right one block past third traffic light onto Broadway. The Visitor Center is at the end of Broadway at 251 River Street.



## UPPER HUDSON

### The Catskill Center for Conservation and Development

<http://www.catskillcenter.org/>

PO Box 504  
Route 28  
Arkville, NY 12406



#### Hours:

M-F 9am-5pm

Saturday 12-4pm

Notes: E-mail: [cccd@catskillcenter.org](mailto:cccd@catskillcenter.org)

Phone: (845) 586-2611

#### ***Historical Description:***

"The Catskill Center is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization with a regional perspective that promotes the quality of life and environmental integrity in the Catskill region, an area encompassing the Catskill Mountains. Known as "First American Wilderness," the Catskills extend from the Helderberg escarpment overlooking our State Capitol in Albany southwardly along the Catskills escarpment overlooking the mighty Hudson River, to the rolling hills of Sullivan County, westerly to the lands memorialized by James Fenimore Cooper in the Leatherstocking region, and northerly to historic Rensselaerville, New York."

#### ***The Site:***

"The Catskill Center stimulates, conducts, and supports integrated actions to protect vital ecosystems and unique landscapes, to enhance economic opportunities for all the region's residents, to preserve cultural and historic assets and to further a regional vision and spirit."

#### ***Directions:***

The Catskill Center is located on New York State Route 28 (at the junction with Delaware County Route 38) in the hamlet of Arkville. We are located approximately 40 miles west of Kingston (Thruway Exit #19; 1 hour drive) and 2 miles east of Margaretville. For more detailed directions, call 845-586-2611.

## UPPER HUDSON

### **Erie Canal Lock 2**

<http://www.nycanal.com/travelandlodging/waterford.html>

1 Tugboat Alley  
Waterford, NY 12188



Hours: Call for hours.

Notes: Village of Waterford (518) 235-9898

Town of Waterford (518) 235-8184

Phone: (518) 233-9123

#### ***Historical Description:***

"The sleepy community formed by the Town and Village of Waterford, New York, represents a throwback to an era gone by. While the history of water-borne commerce here predates the earliest of New York's canals, heavy maritime traffic was not seen until the nineteenth century. Since the inception of the original canal system in the early 1800s, Waterfordians have been accustomed to the sight of bargemen plying through their backyards."

#### ***The Site:***

"Just north of Albany, the moody Mohawk River cascades urgently down the Cohoes Falls into the waters of the mighty Hudson. At this ancient convergence - a joining of the most natural of New York's transportation arteries - one finds also a crossroads of a man-made sort. The Champlain and Erie Canals meet here at Waterford, the gateway to New York State's Barge Canal System."

#### ***Directions:***

Call for directions.

## UPPER HUDSON

### **Haver (Peebles) Island**

<http://www.revolutionaryday.com/usroute4/peebles/default.htm>

Post Office Box 219

Peebles Island

Waterford, NY 12188-0219



Hours: Open year round

Phone: (518) 237-8643

#### ***Historical Description:***

Haver Island was in Lieutenant General John Burgoyne's planned line of advance to Albany in 1777. According to traditional narratives of the Revolution, Colonel Thaddeus Kosciuszko, the military engineer who would later oversee the construction of the fortifications at West Point, built three earthwork batteries here in August 1777. Their remains are still visible. The works were never tested because the Americans, under the command of Major General Horatio Gates, stopped Burgoyne at the Battle of Saratoga in October 1777.

#### ***The Site:***

Haver Island, presently called Peebles Island, is a 138-acre state park and the headquarters of New York State's preservation offices and resource center. A trail showcases the remaining earthworks. The park offers picnic and restroom facilities on a seasonal basis.

#### ***Directions:***

Take I-787 North to Route 470, or Ontario Street. Turn right on Route 470, and proceed .7 of a mile to Delaware Avenue, which is signed Peebles Island State Park and is the last street before the bridge. Turn left on Delaware Avenue, and proceed to the end of the road into the visitors parking area.

## UPPER HUDSON

### **Slate Valley Museum**

<http://www.slatevalleymuseum.org/>

17 Water St.

Granville, NY 12832

Hours: Open Year-round

Winter Hours:

Tuesday through Friday: 1pm - 5pm

Saturday: 10am - 4pm

Summer Hours (Memorial Day - Labor Day):

Tuesday through Friday: 10am - 5pm

Saturday: 10am - 4pm

New this summer! Sunday 1pm - 4pm

Notes: E-mail: [mail@slatevalleymuseum.org](mailto:mail@slatevalleymuseum.org)

Phone: (518) 642-1417

Fax: (518) 642-1417



*Slate Valley Museum*

***Historical Description:*** The museum has an “extensive collection of documentary photographs reveals the people, atmosphere and traditions of 150 years of slate quarrying” It describes the processes of slate quarrying as well as the impact of technology on this traditional industry.

***The Site:*** The museum contains a number of exhibits relating to slate quarrying including a “30-foot-tall replica of a quarry stick used in days gone by to bring large pieces of stone up from the quarry pit into the yard, a quarry shanty, complete with all the machinery and tools used in traditional slate quarrying, and a geological display illustrating the natural history of slate.”

***Directions:*** FROM I-87 EXIT 20 (ADIRONDACK NORTHWAY) AND GLENS FALLS, NY  
FROM THE NORTH

-Turn left at end of ramp. Turn left at stoplight on to Rt. 9. Follow directions for Rt. 9-Glens Falls below.

FROM THE SOUTH

-Turn left at end of ramp on to Rt. 9. Follow directions for Rt. 9-Glens Falls below.

FROM RT 9-GLENS FALLS

-Proceed north on Rt. 9 to the intersection of Rt. 149. Turn right. Take Rt. 149 approximately 13-14 miles to Fort Ann

and the intersection with Rt. 4. Turn left on Rt. 4 and travel 4 miles to intersection of Rt. 22. Turn right on Rt. 22.

Follow directions for Northern New York (Whitehall and Beyond)

**FROM NORTHERN NEW YORK (WHITEHALL and BEYOND)**

Take Route #22 south to intersection with Route #149. Turn left at stoplight (keep McDonald's on your left). Follow Church Street passing playing fields and Telescope Furniture Company on your right; proceed until you cross a small bridge, then turn left on Water Street. Museum will be immediately ahead. Parking area in front of Museum.

For more directions visit the website.

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### **Glens Falls Feeder Canal**

[www.adirondack.net/orgs/feedercanal](http://www.adirondack.net/orgs/feedercanal)

Glens Falls, NY 12801



*Glens Falls Feeder Canal*

Hours: Open Memorial Day through Columbus Day. No charge.

Notes: The following website contains information about the canal as well as the town of Glens Falls:

<http://www.cityofglensfalls.com/index.asp?NID=100>

Phone: 518-792-5363

#### ***Historical Description:***

“The construction of the old Champlain Canal was begun in 1817. The canal officially opened to boat traffic in 1822. It provided direct access for freight and passenger boats from Lake Champlain at Whitehall to Fort Edward on the Hudson River, completing an inland route from the St. Lawrence River to the docks of New York City. The first feeder canal was dug about 1822, at the foot of Fort Edward hill, to direct water from the Hudson River one half mile east to the Champlain Canal. When a flood destroyed part of the dam across the Hudson River at Fort Edward, the feeder canal failed to provide sufficient water. In 1824, a new dam was built across the Hudson River upstream from Wings Falls (now Glens Falls) and the Feeder Canal was begun. It ran seven miles eastward to join the Champlain Canal, guaranteeing adequate water at its summit.”

#### ***The Site:***

“The Glens Falls Feeder Canal trail is a 9 mile trail suitable for walking from the Feeder Dam in Queensbury to McIntyre Park in Fort Edward.”

#### ***Directions:***

Starting at Hudson River Overlook at the Feeder Dam in Queensbury: From I-87, take exit 18 and go east on Broad Street to Richardson Street (the first light). Go south .5 miles on Richardson Street from traffic light at Richardson and Broad Streets.

## UPPER HUDSON

### **Ticonderoga Heritage Museum**

<http://www.ticonderogak12.org/museum.html>

Heritage Museum

P.O. Box 172

Ticonderoga, NY 12861

Hours: May 31st(Memorial Day) through July 1st open weekends only. July 1st through Sept 7th (Labor day) open daily 10am to 4pm September 7th through October 12th (Columbus day) weekends only.

Closed the remainder of the year.

Phone: (518) 585-2696

#### ***Historical Description:***

"The Heritage Museum of Ticonderoga was the location of the main office of the Ticonderoga Pulp and Paper Company in 1888 and in 1988 was founded as a museum. The museum is located in the Bicentennial Park and is the Visitor Welcome Center of our scenic town of Ticonderoga."

#### ***The Site:***

"The museum features many exhibits of the industrial and social history of Ticonderoga. The museum also features interactive exhibits where people can participate in the creation of paper and entertain themselves with homemade wooden toys. On the first Saturday of August the Heritage Museum sponsors the Adirondack Memorabilia Show and Craft Fair. On Wednesdays and Thursdays in July and August the museum holds craft workshops for children called "Down By The Old Mill Stream" The museum is the starting point for various types of walking tours through the picturesque town of Ticonderoga."

#### ***Directions:***

For directions please call 518-585-2696.



*Ticonderoga Heritage Museum*

## UPPER HUDSON

### **Port Henry Iron Center**

<http://www.porthenry.com/phframes/ironcncntr.htm>

Port Henry, NY 12974

Hours: Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, June 17 through October 15, 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm and by appointment.

Notes: E-mail: IRON@PORTHENRY.COM

Phone: 518-546-3587 or 546-7524



*Iron Center*

***Historical Description:*** “Port Henry was built on iron. High-grade iron ore was mined in deep tunnels four miles inland in Mineville and Witherbee, making the town the largest pre-war producer of iron ore in the country. Port Henry's iron was transformed into everything from battleships to stoves, including horseshoes for the Civil War and tracks for the transcontinental railroad.”

***The Site:*** "The Iron Center offers railroad and mining history exhibits in a restored carriage house. Displays document the 19th and 20th century operations of the Town of Moriah's iron industry, and its impact on workers' lives."

***Directions:*** Call for directions.

## **MID HUDSON**

### **Hudson River Maritime Museum**

<http://www.ulster.net/~hrmm/welcome.html>

50 Rondout Landing  
Kingston, NY 12401



*Tours to the Rondout Lighthouse  
depart from the Mu*

Hours: Open to the public Friday through Monday From late April through October from 11:00am to 4:00pm.

Phone: (845) 338-0071

Fax: (845) 338-0583

#### ***Historical Description:***

The Hudson River Maritime Museum is preserving the maritime history of the Hudson River, its industries and its tributaries. It is the only museum in New York State that is dedicated exclusively to this purpose. The museum was founded in 1980 by the “Steamship Alexander Hamilton Society,” the National Maritime Historical Society, and local historical societies. It is located in Kingston, NY at the Rondout Waterfront. The Museum has a permanent collection that is related to the Hudson River’s transportation, industry and commerce. It consists of prints, photographs, painting and other important pieces of Hudson River vessels. There are many small watercraft and at times a few large waercraft docked at the Museum. School programs are readily welcomed with three new activities available to them.

#### ***The Site:***

Visitors to the Hudson River Maritime Museum will be able to tour the museum and see the history of industry on the River. They will also be able to take a tour of the Rondout Creek on one of the WWII boats. This will lead them to the historic lighthouse which they can also tour. Visitors are then free to tour the outside of the lighthouse on their own. There are some special exhibits throughout the year, so check the website for official dates and times.

#### ***Directions:***

Take the New York State Thruway to exit 19, Kingston. Turn right off the traffic circle onto I-587 and go about a mile. At the end of I-587, go through the intersection to Broadway. Follow Broadway through 10 traffic lights. At the 10th light, turn left to continue on Broadway. At the bottom of the hill take a left and look for the 1898 steam tug Mathilda.

## MID HUDSON

### **West Point Foundry**

[http://www.scenichudson.org/land\\_pres/wpfp\\_research.htm](http://www.scenichudson.org/land_pres/wpfp_research.htm)

Cold Spring, NY



Hours: The West Point Foundry Preserve is open dawn to dusk, Sunday through Saturday. The Foundry School Museum is open Saturday and Sunday from 2-5 pm and Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10am-4pm. Admission to the preserve is free to both. *The Foundry Office is being restored.* Call 845-265-4010 for more information.

Phone: 845-473-4440

#### ***Historical Description:***

Located in Cold Spring, Putnam County, the ruins of the West Point Foundry are surrounded by serene wetlands along the eastern shore of the Hudson River. The Foundry was originally founded by President James Madison in 1812 as one of four weapons foundries. It served a huge historical significance by producing the Parrott gun during the Civil War which helped the Union reach victory over the Confederacy. Today, the grounds of the foundry are owned by Scenic Hudson. The 87 acres of land are adjacent to a 0.7-acre Foundry Dock Park, historic chapel of Our Lady, the Cold Spring Railroad Station, and the Foundry School Museum of the Putnam County Historical Society. The grounds can be explored through a two mile hike which will take lead past the foundry ruins including a boring mill, blast furnace, and the casting house.

#### ***The Site:***

The first building that will be seen along the walk is the Carpenter Shop - only the walls are still standing. Just past the Carpenter Shop is the building dating back to 1865 in which The Office was located. This is a two-story brick building, the only structure along the hike that still has its roof intact. Reaching the top of a ravine you will come upon the Patterson house, a mansion built by Hudson River School artist Thomas Rossiter in the 1860's. Still a private residence, the house is located directly north of the Boscobel Restoration, which offers hikers a fabulous view of Constitution Marsh. In order to see all the foundry ruins and explore the wetlands, allow at least one to two hours. You may also view a video about the history of the West Point Foundry at the Foundry School Museum (PCHS&FSM). To learn more about the PCHS&FSM, visit their website at: <http://www.pchs-fsm.org/>, or call 845-265-4010.

#### ***Directions:***

By car: Traveling south on Route 9D from the Route 301/9D intersection: proceed 0.3 miles and bear right at the fork onto Chestnut Street. Parking can be found along the road near the trail head where Chestnut Street meets Route 9D. By train: Take Metro-North to the Cold Spring Railroad Station, use the underpass to cross under the tracks and into the village proper. Walk up Main Street to Kemble Ave. Turn right on Kemblen and walk to the end, there will be a gate there for the Preserve.

## **MID HUDSON**

### **Empire State Railway Museum**

<http://www.esrm.com/esrm/about.htm>

P.O. Box 455

Phoenicia, NY 12464



Hours: The museum is open on weekends and holidays from Memorial Day through Columbus Day from 11am to 4pm

Notes: While visiting the museum, you may wish to ride the historic rails of the old Ulster & Delaware Railroad. A train of vintage equipment, operated by the Catskill Mountain Railroad, makes a stop at the museum. Ask the Museum Volunteer for information.

Phone: (845) 688-7501

#### ***Historical Description:***

“From the late 1800's through the 1940's the rugged steam locomotives of the Ulster & Delaware, Catskill Mountain Railroad, New York Central, New York Ontario & Western and Delaware & Northern climbed their steep and winding mountain grades bound for the grand hotels and humble boarding houses of the Catskills Mountains. They returned with lumber, bluestone, dairy and agricultural products of the region for transport to the New York City metropolitan area.”

#### ***The Site:***

“ESRM is dedicated to bringing alive the history of these railroads, their people and the towns they served, to the residents and visitors of the Catskill Mountains and the greater Hudson Valley.”

#### ***Directions:***

From exit 19 of the NYS Thruway (Kingston, NY) Take Rt. 28 West to Phoenicia (approx. 22 miles) Take either of Phoenicia exits, then watch for ESRM signs.

## MID HUDSON

### **Gomez/Acker(t) Mill House**

<http://www.gomez.org/>

11 Mill House Road  
Marlboro, NY 12542

Hours: Open by appointment in the winter. Spring hours are Wednesday - Sunday from 10 AM - 4 PM  
Tours begin at 10 AM, 11:30, 1 PM and 2:30

Phone: (845) 236-3126



*Gomez/Acker(t) Mill House*

***Historical Description:*** In 1714, Luis Moses Gomez bought 6,000 acres of land and built the fieldstone blockhouse for a fur trading post that lasted some thirty years. It is the oldest house on register in Orange County and the oldest existing Jewish residence in North America. His sons sold the house, and later Wolvert Ackert bought the house just before the Revolutionary War. Ackert was a descendant of the early Dutch settlers and had no patience with British rule. He immediately used the house to hold weekly meetings with neighbors with the same views as he. He would keep them up to date on what was going on in the war, Whig activity, and any anti-Tory activities. He became the Commissioner of Newburgh's Committee of Safety and Observation. This group reported people who were suspected of being loyalist. Wolvert, who changed his name to Acker after the war, was also a lieutenant in the New Marlborough Company of Minute Men.

***The Site:*** On twenty-eight acres sits the six-room house, the mill, the icehouse, and the restored root cellar and work shed, which is now the visitor center. There are lectures, art exhibits, craft workshops, archaeological digs, and events for the whole family to enjoy. The house has stood for 285 years and has been restored over the years. A newly restored wheel on the mill allows school children to make paper.

***Directions:*** The Gomez Mill House is located on Mill House Road in the town of Marlboro, NY. The Mill House is 5.2 miles north of the junction of Route 9W and I84 (Newburgh Beacon Bridge) and ten miles south of the junction of Routes 44/55 (Poughkeepsie Bridge).

## **MID HUDSON**

### **Trolley Museum of New York**

<http://www.tmny.org/>

89 East Strand

P.O. Box 2291

Kingston, NY 12402



Hours: The museum is open Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays from Memorial Weekend to Columbus Day, Noon to 5 p.m. (plus special events)

Phone: (845) 331-3399

#### ***Historical Description:***

"The museum is on the original site of the Ulster and Delaware Railroad yards at Milepost 1. The main building is built on the foundation of the engine house which existed at the turn of the century. The upper level includes a Visitors Center featuring seasonal and permanent displays, a video viewing area and large windows overlooking the restoration shop. Visitors can see up to eight trolley cars being housed and restored below."

#### ***The Site:***

"The Trolley Museum of New York is a non-profit educational museum founded in 1955. The goals of the museum are to offer a ride to the public and through exhibits and educational programs to share the rich history of rail transportation and the role it played in the Hudson Valley region. In addition to static displays of trolley, subway and rapid transit cars from the United States and Europe, an excursion ride runs 1 1/2 miles from the foot of Broadway in downtown Kingston, New York, to picnic grounds on the shore of the Hudson River."

#### ***Directions:***

Take the New York State Thruway to Exit 19, Kingston. Follow the signs to the Historic Rondout Waterfront and the Urban Cultural Park (2+ hours from Manhattan, 1 hour from Albany).

## MID HUDSON

### **Delaware and Hudson (D&H) Canal Museum**

<http://www.canalmuseum.org/index.html>

High Falls, NY 12440

Hours: May through October  
Friday, Saturday & Sunday  
11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone: 845-687-9311



*D&H Canal Museum*

#### ***Historical Description:***

"The Delaware and Hudson Canal was a 108-mile, man-made waterway, an engineering feat of pre-industrial America that brought a new form of energy from the hills of Pennsylvania out to the Hudson River. From 1828 to 1898, mules pulled barges laden with anthracite coal along river valleys from Honesdale in northeastern Pennsylvania to Eddyville on the Rondout Creek near the villages of Kingston and Rondout. From here, it was shipped on barges down the Hudson to New York City and up the river to Canada."

#### ***The Site:***

"The D&H Canal Museum features an outstanding example of a late 19th century gothic chapel, which was the first (and only) Episcopal church built in the historic hamlet of High Falls. St. John's parishioners included many employees of the D&H Canal, including local lock tenders. The first floor of the parish house featured a social hall with a stage where school plays and dances were held. As recorded in a 1946 history of the church, St. John's was "acclaimed to be architecturally and ecclesiastically a gem." The parish house currently houses a museum which interprets the unique history of the Delaware & Hudson Canal by collecting and preserving documents, printed materials, art and artifacts relating to the D&H Canal."

#### ***Directions:***

From NYS Thruway Exit 19 - Kingston:

After toll booth take first right onto Route 28, proceed through traffic light and take (second) right exit for Route 209 South (toward Ellenville). Continue approximately 10 miles through town of Stone Ridge. At the second traffic light turn left (East) onto Route 213. Continue approximately 2 miles into High Falls; turn right on Mohonk Road/County Route 6A (opposite Egg's Nest Restaurant). The Museum is located 1/10 mile on the left in a former Episcopal Church.

From NYS Thruway Exit 18 in New Paltz:

After toll booth turn left (West) at the "T" onto Route 299 into the village of New Paltz. Turn right onto Route 32 North to Rosendale. Then turn left (West) onto Route 213 and go approximately 4 miles to High Falls; take the first left on Mohonk Road/County Route 6A (just past Rock Cliff House Restaurant). The Museum is located 1/10 mile on the left in a former Episcopal Church.

## MID HUDSON

### **Quarryman's Museum**

<http://www.opus40.org/>

50 Fite Road

Saugerties, NY 12477

Hours: Memorial Day Weekend through Columbus Day Weekend  
12 noon - 5 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, holiday Mondays  
(May be closed for weddings, call ahead to make sure)

Admission: \$10 per adult, \$7 students and seniors, \$3 school age children, Children under 6 free with an adult.

Phone: (845)246-3400

#### ***Historical Description:***

"In the early seventies Fite, a sculptor of wood and stone who spend 37 years turning his land into the architectural masterpiece known as Opus 40, took the time to build a museum to house his collection of quarryman's tools and artifacts -- a fascinating tour through the history of the area and the skills of its workingmen."

#### ***The Site:***

Represented are not only quarrying equipment but also folk tools, most of them hand-forged, that the quarryman used every day: tools for farming, blacksmithing, capentry and the like. furnishings from a quarryman's household are also shown here -- stove, cupboard, even a game of handmade dominoes.

In creating Opus 40, Fite worked with traditional quarryman's tools: hammers, chisels and drills, and a huge hand-powered boom with a flat wooden tray for moving rocks.

He worked alone, using these hand tools, for most of 40 years, and his museum honors the tools and them upon whose work he created Opus 40.

#### ***Directions:***

From the NYS Thruway at Saugerties exit 20 get on Route 212 west towards Woodstock. From the light at the Hess gas station, go 1.6 miles to a fork in the road. Turn LEFT onto Fishcreek Road. Go 2.4 miles to a stop sign. Turn RIGHT onto Highwoods Road. Go 0.5 miles. Turn RIGHT onto Fite Road. Go 0.2 miles to the entrance of OPUS 40.

From Woodstock drive on Route 212 east towards Saugerties. At the intersection of Route 212 and Glasco Turnpike you will see an OPUS 40 sign. Turn RIGHT onto Glasco Turnpike. Go 2.1 miles to the fork in the road. Turn LEFT onto Highwoods Road. Go 0.1 mile. Turn LEFT onto Fite Road. Go 0.2 miles to the entrance of OPUS 40.

From Kingston - 9W North near Adam's Go approximately 4.5 miles on 9W north to a LEFT turn onto Glasco Turnpike also known as County Route 32. You will see a sign on 9W for OPUS 40 and a sign for Mt. Marion marking this turn onto Glasco Turnpike. Go 1 mile to the stop light. Go STRAIGHT. Go 2.7 miles to the fork in the road. Turn RIGHT onto Highwoods Road. Go 0.1 mile. Turn LEFT onto Fite Road. Go 0.2 miles to the entrance of OPUS 40.



*Quarryman's Museum*

## MID HUDSON

### **Kingston-Rondout Lighthouse**

<http://www.kingstonlighthouse.com/>

1 Broadway  
Kingston, NY 12401

Hours:

Public Tours: 2006 Season Weekends from Memorial Day to Labor Day: Saturdays/Sundays/Holidays

Departures: 1:15pm & 3:00pm Includes boat cruise and lighthouse tour. Time length @ 1.5 hours.

Cost: \$15/Adult \$12/children under 13

Discount: \$3 off with same day admission ticket to the Maritime or Trolley Museums

Notes: E-mail: [info@KingstonLighthouse.com](mailto:info@KingstonLighthouse.com)

Phone: 845-336-8145

#### ***Historical Description:***

This lighthouse was built at the same location as two previous lighthouses which were unfortunately torn down in 1837 and 1867. The current lighthouse was operational in 1915 and became fully automated in 1954.

#### ***The Site:***

"The current structure known as the Kingston-Rondout Lighthouse is a two story brick building with a tower which was completed in 1915. The lighthouse is now part of the Kingston Maritime Museum."

#### ***Directions:***

From the NYS Thruway I-87:

exit 19 Kingston (mile marker 90). (90 miles north of NYC, 50 miles south of Albany NY) At the traffic circle - turn onto I-587 Chandler Drive. Proceed straight about 1 mile to traffic light. Stay in the Right Hand lane - go straight through the light and merge onto Broadway. Follow Broadway all the way to the end (passing UPAC, Kingston High School, Kingston Hospital, Stewarts, St. Mary's Church) Parking available in public lots at the bottom of Broadway.

From the Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge (Red Hook/Rhinebeck):

Follow signs for Kingston - Rt 32N At Rt 9W (Frank Koenig Blvd) turn left and head south. At 2nd light at the bottom of the hill, turn right onto Garraghan Drive At the first light turn left onto lower Broadway (the Strand). Parking available in public lots at the bottom of Broadway.

From the Mid-Hudson Bridge: (Poughkeepsie/Highland) Take Rt 9W North toward Kingston. (about 14 miles) As you enter Kingston Rt 9W becomes Frank Koenig Blvd. After crossing the Rondout Creek on the 9W Bridge At 1st light at the bottom of the hill, turn left onto Garraghan Drive At the first light turn left onto lower Broadway (the Strand). Parking available in public lots at the bottom of Broadway.



*Kingston-Rondout Lighthouse*

## LOWER HUDSON

### **Haverstraw Brick Museum**

<http://www.haverstrawbrickmuseum.org/pages/1/index.htm>

12 Main Street  
Haverstraw, NY 10927



Hours: Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday (1-4 pm) or by appointment.

Phone: (845) 947-3505

#### ***Historical Description:***

Haverstraw, New York was once the brick making capital of the world. The brick making industry began in 1771 when Jacob Van Dyke discovered the vast amounts of yellow and blue clay along the Hudson River Shores. Brickmaking soon became a way of life, with over thirty-seven brickyards in Haverstraw alone. Manufacturers took advantage of easy access to New York City via the Hudson River. Haverstraw, located in Rockland County, was destroyed by a landslide on January 8, 1906 because of the excavation of clay for brick making. Eventually the clay deposits upon which the brickyards depended were soon depleted. The Great Depression dealt the final blow and brickmaking died out as an industry in Haverstraw. The last yard closed in 1941. All that remains is the brick museum, and the historic brick buildings.

#### ***The Site:***

The Haverstraw Brick Museum contains artifacts, materials, dioramas, historical displays, and information about the brick making industry. The Brick Museum's purpose is to "preserve, research, collect, and exhibit the industry, culture, and life of brick making."

#### ***Directions:***

From Tappan Zee Bridge: New York State Thruway to Exit 12, then take Route 303 North to 9W North. Take a right turn at New Main Street, Haverstraw, and end at 12 Main Street. From Nanuet: Proceed east on Route 59 to Route 303 North. Take 303 North to 9W North. Take a right turn at New Main Street, Haverstraw, and end at 12 Main Street. From Pearl River: Take Orangeburg Road to Route 303 North. Take 303 North to 9W North. Take a right turn at New Main Street, Haverstraw, and end at 12 Main Street. From Points North: Palisades Parkway South to Bear Mountain Traffic Circle, to 9W South. Left at New Main Street, Haverstraw to 12 Main Street. From Points South/New Jersey: Palisades Parkway South to Bear Mountain Traffic Circle, to 9W South. Left at New Main Street, Haverstraw to 12 Main Street.

## LOWER HUDSON

### **Cold Spring Harbor Whaling Museum**

<http://www.cshwhalingmuseum.org/>

Main Street, PO Box 25  
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724



Hours: Open throughout the year, Tuesdays through Sundays  
11:00am to 5:00pm. During the summer, the Museum extends its  
days of operations to include Mondays. The Museum is also open on  
Mondays falling on a federal holiday.

Phone: (631) 367-3418

Fax: (631) 692-7037

#### ***Historical Description:***

The village of Cold Spring Harbor, on the north shore of Long Island, was home to nine whaling vessels for more than thirty years. Whaling was one of the top industries in early Long Island. The Whaling Industry provided residents of the Hudson River Valley with large supply of sperm oil, as well as other products from the whales. This short lived, but powerful, industry opened up a new chapter of history within New York. Whaling was demanding and dangerous work: whalers were out to sea for approximately 75% of their life, their living quarters were poor, and food preparation onboard ship was similar in quality. Whale products, however were prosperous, with high demand for candles, whips, lamps, perfumes, and soaps made from whale parts. The Whaling industry waned as the nineteenth century wore on, especially with the discovery of petroleum and the invention of kerosene lamps.

#### ***The Site:***

The Cold Spring Harbor museum opened in 1942. As its website testifies: "The Whaling Museum is the only facility on Long Island and in New York State open year-round which focuses primarily on the whaling industry of the region." It features exhibits on whaling implements, marine paintings, ship models, a diorama of the whaling port and a fully equipped whaleboat from the brig. There is also an impressive collection of primary sources and manuscripts related to Long Island whaling. Special exhibitions are introduced yearly. Special events are also held (see website). The Museum also publishes a newsletter online.

#### ***Directions:***

The Museum is one hour and fifteen minutes east of the George Washington Bridge. Take the Long Island Expressway to exit 44N. Follow North on Woodbury Rd to Route 25A. Turn right toward the town of Cold Spring Harbor. Watch for Museum on the left-hand side in Town.

## **LOWER HUDSON**

### **Southeast Museum**

[http://www.southeastmuseum.org/Travel\\_Info/travel\\_info.html](http://www.southeastmuseum.org/Travel_Info/travel_info.html)

67 Mainstreet  
Brewster, NY 10509

Hours: April through December; Tuesday - Saturday: 10AM-4PM

Notes: E-mail: [Director@SoutheastMuseum.org](mailto:Director@SoutheastMuseum.org)

[Educator@SoutheastMuseum.org](mailto:Educator@SoutheastMuseum.org)

Phone: (845) 279-7500

Fax: (845) 279-1992

### ***Historical Description:***

"Established in 1963, the Southeast Museum offers exhibits on the history of the Town of Southeast, including the early American Circus, the Harlem Line Railroad, the Tilly Foster Mine, the Borden Milk Condensery, and the Croton Reservoir System."

### ***The Site:***

"The museum is located on Main Street, Brewster in one of Putnam County's largest landmarked buildings, the 1896 Old Town Hall, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

The Southeast Museum is dedicated to collecting, preserving and interpreting the material artifacts and culture significant to the history of the Town of Southeast and its environs."

### ***Directions:***

Located approximately 60 miles north of New York City, the village of Brewster is conveniently accessible by car or the Harlem Line of Metro North Railroad. The Southeast Museum is located on Main Street, Brewster (Route 6), a short drive from exit 10 off I684, or exit 20 off I84, and a five-minute walk from the train station. Metered parking is available on Main Street



*Harlem Line Railroad*

