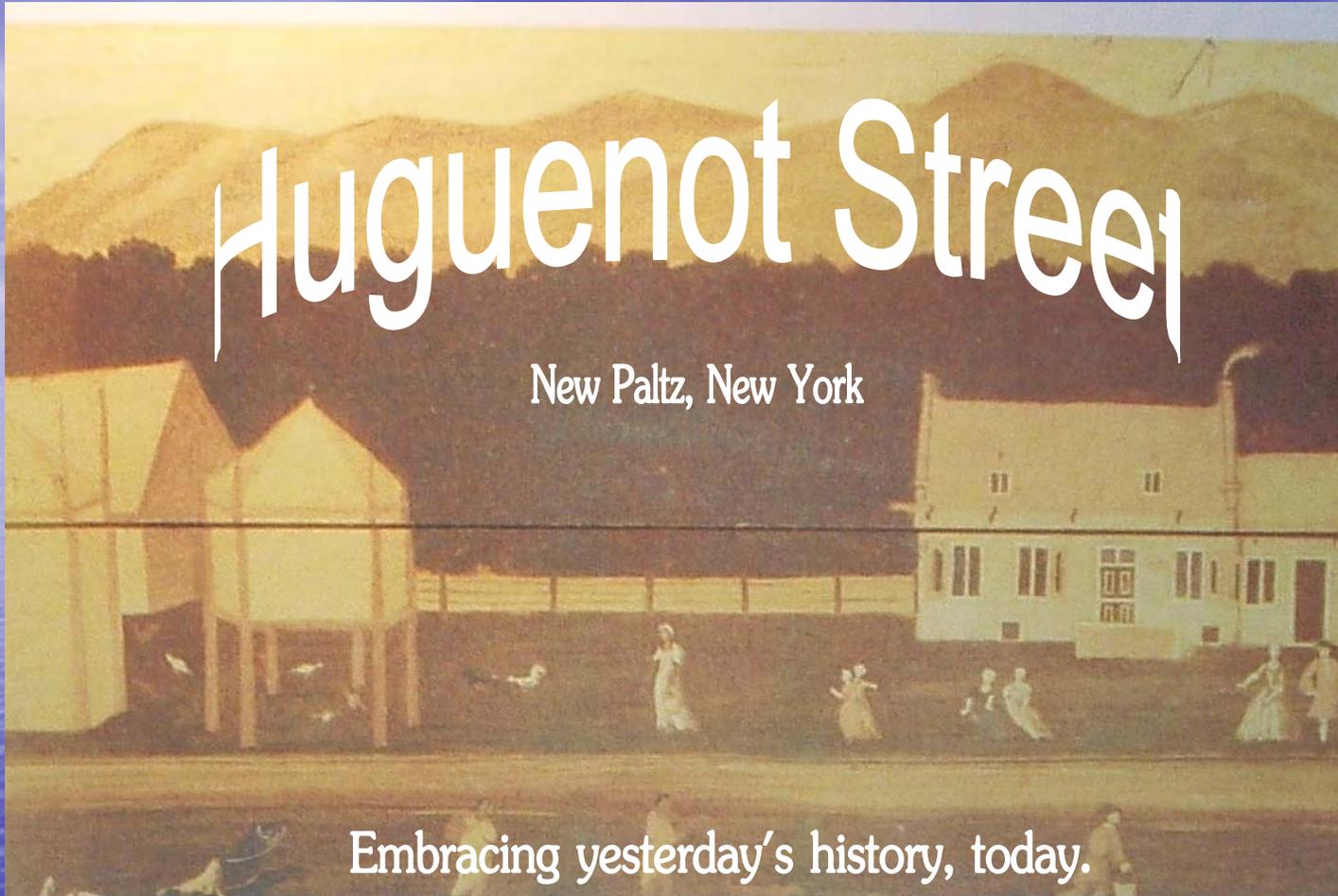


Huguenot Street

New Paltz, New York

Embracing yesterday's history, today.



Agenda

- Our focus will be the dimensions of slavery regarding the Hudson Valley as a whole with specific focus on Huguenot Street in New Paltz. These dimensions include the possible presence of the Underground Railroad.
- Our study will argue that Huguenot Street should be defined to a greater extent by the experiences of its slaves because slavery was such a pervasive but overlooked aspect of the town's history.

Agenda

- Bhatiya – Huguenot Street and Slavery
- Lebel – History of Hudson River Valley slavery
- Roohan – Destinations, Underground Railroad
- Shukri – Huguenot Street Slave Life, Sojourner Truth

History of Slavery in the Hudson Valley

- Role of Slave Labor in the Hudson River Valley
- Gradual emancipation in New York

FOUR DOLLARS REWARD.
RUN-AWAY from the subscriber living in the town of Beekman, Dutchess county, on the night of the 14th of August last, a Negro Man named PETER, about 49 years of age, middling stocky, a remarkable long head, and hair considerable gray. Any person who will take up said Negro, and return him to the subscriber, shall have the above reward, and reasonable charges.
ABRAHAM LOSEE, jun.
September 19th, 1789. 69

Newspaper Ad for Runaway Slave

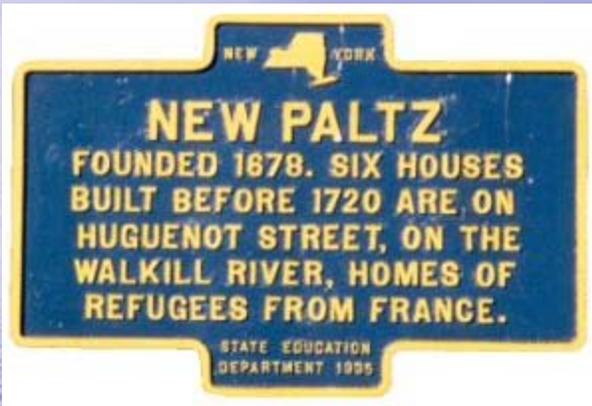
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Huguenot Historical Society

[www.hhs-
newpaltz.net/index.html](http://www.hhs-newpaltz.net/index.html)

- Founding of Huguenot Street
- Economic Life
- 1674: First slaves in New Paltz
- Slave demographics

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Huguenot Street Slave Life

- Slave housing
- Master/slave relationships
- Unskilled labor
- Skilled laborers



Basement of Bevier-Elting House

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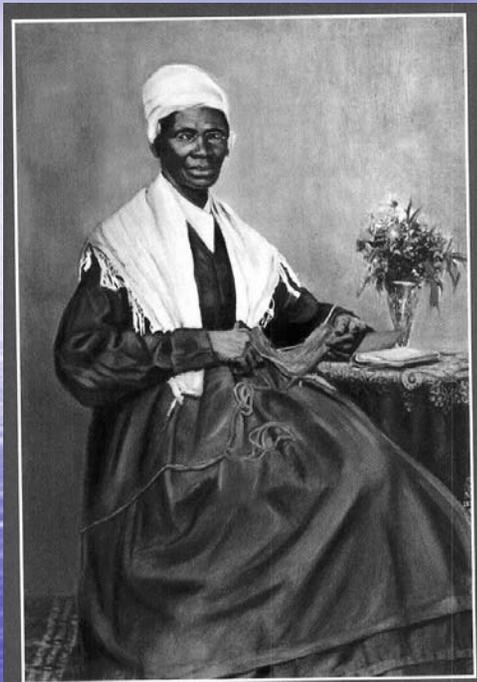
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New Paltz Slave Life - Biography

- Early life
- Slave experiences on Huguenot Street
- National Impact



Sojourner Truth

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Grave marker of Truth's owner



Tombstone of Truth's owner

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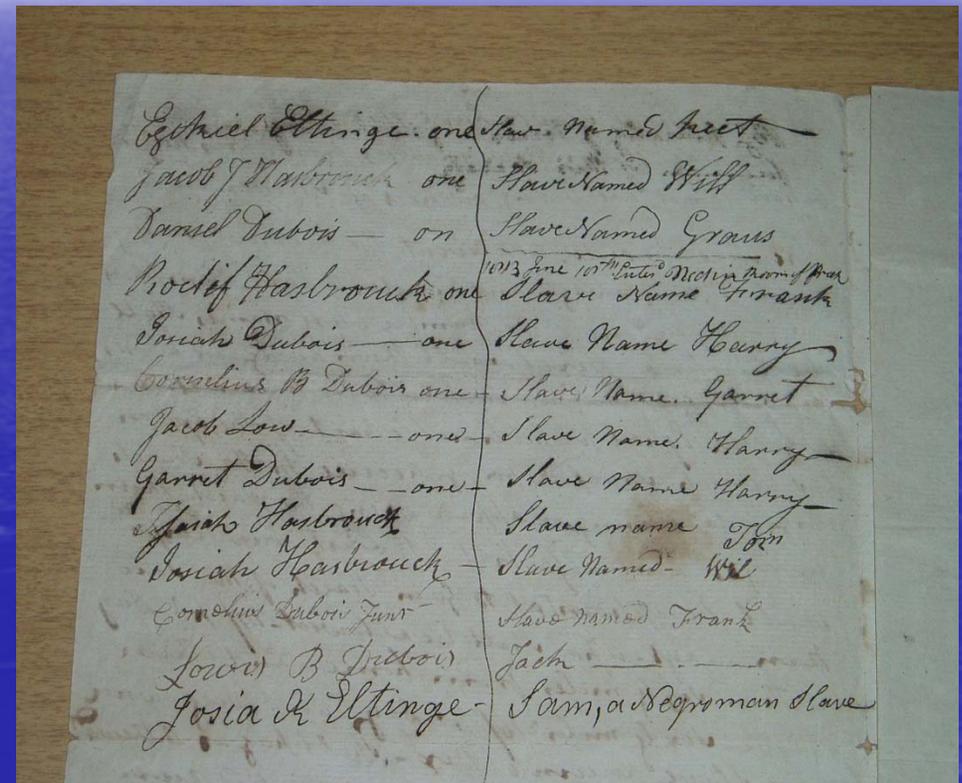
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Problems of Evidence

- Difficulties in discussing slavery
- Underground Railroad
- Suggestions for HHS



Slave owners and their fugitive slaves

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Conclusion

- Slavery was an integral aspect of everyday life on Huguenot Street
- The Huguenot Historical Society would benefit if they included slavery to a greater extent in their tours and websites

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