## The Era of the American Revolution with a Particular Focus on the Republic of Vermont

\*This is not a comprehensive reading list.

## Youth

- Brockenbrough, Martha. *Alexander Hamilton, Revolutionary*. New York, NY: Feiwel & Friends, 2017.
- Bruchac, Joseph. The Arrow Over the Door. New York, NY: Puffin Books, 1998.
- Bruchac, Marge & William Bruchac. *Malian's Song*. Middlebury, VT: Vermont Folklife Center, 2006.
- Collier, James Lincoln, & Christopher Collier. *My Brother Sam is Dead.* New York, NY: Scholastic, 1974, reprint 2008. Winner of the 1975 Newberry Award
- Davies, Jacqueline. *Tricking the Tallyman: The Great Census Shenanigans of 1790*. New York, NY: Dragonfly Books, 2014.
- Forbes, Esther. *Johnny Tremain*. New York, NY: Houghton Mifflin, 1943, 2018 reprint. Winner of the 1944 Newberry Award
- Gauch, Patricia Lee. *Aaron and the Green Mountain Boys*. Honesdale, PA: Calkins Creek, 2005 reprint.
- Hahn, Michael T. *Ann Story, Vermont's Heroine of Independence*. Shelburne, VT: New England Press, 1996.
- Hahn, Michael T. Ethan Allen: A Life of Adventure. Shelburne, VT: New England Press, 1994.
- Kinsey-Warnock & Helen Kinsey. *The Bear that Heard Crying*. New York, NY: Scholastic, 1998.
- Messner, Kate. Spitfire. Utica, NY: North Country Books, 2007.
- Latham, Jean Lee. *Carry On, Mr. Bowditch*. New York, NY: Houghton Mifflin, 1955, reprint 2007. Winner of the 1956 Newberry Award
- Ovecka, Janice. Captive of Pittsford Ridge. Shelburne, VT: New England Press, 1994.
- Reit, Seymour. Guns for General Washington: A Story of the American Revolution. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014.
- Roberts, Kenneth. Arundel. Garden City, NY: Doubleday, 1929, reprint 2013. Roberts,
- Kenneth. Rabble In Arms. Garden City, NY: Doubleday, 1933, reprint 1996.

- Sheinkin, Steve. The Notorious Benedict Arnold: A True Story of Adventure, Heroism & Treachery. New York, NY: Roaring Brook Press, 2010. Winner of the YALSA Excellence in Young Adult Nonfiction Award
- Thompson, Ben. *Guts & Glory: The American Revolution*. New York, NY: Little Brown Books for Young Readers, 2017.

## **Biographies**

- Chernow, Ron. Washington: A Life. New York, NY: Penguin Press, 2010. Winner of the 2011 Pulitzer Prize for Biography
- Duffy John J. and H. Nicholas Muller III. *Inventing Ethan Allen*. Lebanon, NH: University Press of New England, 2014.
- Fischer, David H. Paul Revere's Ride. New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 1994.
- Forbes, Esther. *Paul Revere and the World He Lived In.* Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin, 1942, reprint 2005. Winner of the 1943 Pulitzer Prize for History
- Holton, Woody. Abigail Adams: A Life. New York, NY: Atria Books, 2010.
- Hoyt, Edwin P. *The Damndest Yankees: Ethan Allen & His Clan*. Brattleboro, VT: Stephen Greene Press, 1976.
- Jellison, Charles. *Ethan Allen: Frontier Rebel.* Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1969, reprint 1985.
- Martin, James Kirby. Benedict Arnold, Revolutionary Hero: An American Warrior Reconsidered. New York, NY: New York University Press, 1997.
- McCullough, David. *John Adams*. New York, NY: Simon & Schuster, 2001. Winner of the 2002 Pulitzer Prize for Biography
- Mello, Robert A. *Moses Robinson and the Founding of Vermont*. Barre and Montpelier, VT: Vermont Historical Society, 2014.
- Pell, John. Ethan Allen. Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin, 1929, reprint 1972.
- Smallwood, Frank. *Thomas Chittenden: Vermont's First Statesman*. Shelburne, VT: New England Press, 1997.

## **General Histories**

Allen, Danielle. Our Declaration: A Reading of the Declaration of Independence in Defense of Equality. New York, NY: Liveright, 2014.

- Bailyn, Bernard. *The Ideological Origins of the American Revolution*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1967 (reprint 2017, Belknap Press).
- Bellesile, Michael A. Revolutionary Outlaws: Ethan Allen and the Struggle for Independence on the Early American Frontier. Charlottsville, VA: University Press of Virginia, 1993.
- Berkin, Carol. Revolutionary Mothers: Women in the Struggle for America's Independence. New York, NY: Knopf, 2005.
- Cohen, Eliot A. Conquered into Liberty: Two Centuries of Battles Along the Great Warpath That Made the American Way of War. New York, NY: Free Press, 2011.
- Calloway, Colin G. *The Western Abenaki of Vermont, 1600-1800*. Norman, OK: University of Oklahoma Press, 1990.
- Calloway, Colin G. New Worlds for All: Indians, Europeans, and the Remaking of Early America. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press, 1995.
- Calloway, Colin G. *The American Revolution in Indian Country: Crisis and Diversity in Native American Communities*. Baltimore, MD: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1997.
- Chernow, Ron. Washington: A Life. New York, NY: Penguin Press, 2010.
- Duffy, John J., H. Nicholas Muller III and Gary G. Shattuck. *The Rebel and the Tory: Ethan Allen, Philip Skene, and the Dawn of Vermont*. Barre and Montpelier, VT: Vermont Historical Society, 2020.
- Ellis, Joseph. *The Cause: The American Revolution and its Discontents, 1773-1783.* New York, NY: Liveright Publishing Corporation, 2021.
- Gilbert, Alan. Black Patriots and Loyalists: Fighting for Emancipation in the War for Independence. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press, 2012.
- Graymont, Barbara. *The Iroquois in the American Revolution*. Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1972.
- Gross, Robert A. The Minutemen and Their World. New York, NY: Hill and Wang, 1976.
- Guyette, Elise. *Discovering Black Vermont*. Barre and Montpelier, VT: Vermont Historical Society, reprint 2020.
- Hatch, Robert M. *Thrust for Canada: The American Attempt on Quebec in 1775-1776.* Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1979.
- Holland, Phil. A Guide to The Battle of Bennington and The Bennington Monument. Shaftsbury, VT: West Mountain Press, 2016.

- Graffagnino, J. Kevin. The Shaping of Vermont. Rutland, VT: Vermont Heritage Press, 1983.
- Kelly, Jack. Band of Giants: The Amateur Soldiers Who Won America's Independence. New York, NY: St. Martin's Griffin, 2016.
- Kelly, Jack. Valcour: The 1776 Campaign that Saved the Cause of Liberty. New York, NY: St. Martin's Griffin, 2021.
- Ketchum, Richard M. Saratoga: Turning Point of America's Revolutionary War. New York, NY: Henry Holt and Company, 1997.
- Krueger, John W. editor. A Narrative of Colonel Ethan Allen's Captivity Containing His Voyages & Travels. Rutland, VT: Vermont Heritage Press, 1988. Printed for the Vermont Statehood Bicentennial Commission
- Lancaster, Bruce. Guns of Burgoyne. Mattituck, NY: Amereon Ltd., 1986.
- Lord, Philip. War Over Walloomscoick: Land Use and Settlement Patterns on the Bennington Battlefield. New York, NY: New State Museum, 1989.
- Lossing, Benson J. *The Pictorial Field-Book of the Revolution*. 2 volumes. New York, NY: Harper & Brothers, 1859. (reprint Charles E. Tuttle Company, 1972).
- Lundeberg, Phillip, Arthur Cohn and Jennifer Jones. *A Tale of Three Gunboats*. Ferrisburgh, VT and Washington, DC: Lake Champlain Maritime Museum and Smithsonian National Museum of American History, 2017.
- McCullough, David. 1776. New York, NY: Simon & Schuster, 2005.
- Middlekauff, Robert. *The Glorious Cause: The American Revolution, 1763-1789.* New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 2002.
- Muller, H. Nicholas III and J. Kevin Graffagnino, *Vermont Heritage: Essays on Green Mountain History 1770-1920*. Burlington, VT: The Center for Research on Vermont, 2020.
- Murray, Stuart. The Honor of Command: General Burgoyne's Saratoga Campaign, June-October 1777. Images From The Past, 1997.
- Nash, Gary B. Race and Revolution. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 1990.
- Nickerson, Hoffman. *The Turning Point of the Revolution*. 2 volumes. New York, NY: Houghton Mifflin, 1928. (reprint Scholar's Bookshelf, 2005).
- Philbrick, Nathaniel. Valiant Ambition: George Washington, Benedict Arnold, and the Fate of the American Revolution. New York, NY: Viking, 2016.

- Piersen, William Dillon. Black Yankees: The Development of an Afro-American Subculture in Eighteenth-Century New England. Boston, MA: University of Massachusetts Press, 1988.
- Randall, Willard Sterne. *Ethan Allen: His Life and Times*. New York, NY: W.W. Norton & Company, 2011.
- Randall, Willard Sterne and Nancy Nahra. Forgotten Americans: Footnote Figures Who Changed American History. Cambridge, MA: Perseus Publishing, 1999.
- Van de Water, Frederic F. *The Reluctant Republic: Vermont 1724-1791*. New York, NY: John Day Company, 1941. (reprint Barakaldo Books, 2020).
- Venter, Bruce. *The Battle of Hubbardton: The Rear Guard Action that Saved America*. Charleston, SC: History Press, 2015.
- Whitfield, Harvey Amani. *The Problem of Slavery in Early Vermont, 1777-1810*. Barre and Montpelier, VT: Vermont Historical Society, 2014.
- Wickman, Donald H. and Mount Independence Coalition. *Strong Ground: Mount Independence and the American Revolution*. Orwell, VT: Mount Independence Coalition, 2017.
- Williams, John A. *The Battle of Hubbardton: The American Rebels Stem the Tide*. Montpelier, VT: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, 1988.
- Williams, Tony. Hurricane of Independence: The Untold Story of the Deadly Storm at the Deciding Moment of the American Revolution. Sourcebooks, 2008.
- Wood, Gordon. *The Creation of the American Republic 1776-1787*. Chapel Hill, NC: The University of North Carolina Press, 1969, reprint 2011.
- Wren, Christopher. Those Turbulent Sons of Freedom: Ethan Allen's Green Mountain Boys and the American Revolution. New York, NY: Simon & Schuster, 2018.
- Zabin, Serena. *The Boston Massacre: A Family History*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2020.

Disclaimer: The Vermont 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commission is not endorsing the items on this reading list or intentionally excluding others, nor is the Commission intending for the provisions of reading list to suggest state advocacy or support for any person, organization, or viewpoint.