The Yorktown Museum

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If you know, you know.

The museum is located in what used to be the

6th grade school, run by Mildred Strang. Prior to that it was the high school.

You can still see the drinking fountain and some lockers left for posterity.



Model Train Workshop

Hello Yorktown Community!

Have you visited the museum yet? We are located at the Albert A. Capellini Community and Culture Center.

My name is Amy Swan; I am the Assistant Curator for this amazing space. We have gone through some big changes since I began this position in February 2024.

I have enjoyed exploring this wonderful space, and I am grateful to all the previous curators, researchers, co-workers, volunteers and everyone who dedicated their time to shaping the museum. We have Town Clerk Diana Quast to thank for her design vision.

We did a lot of cool things in 2024!

Our hallway contains cases with changing exhibits that reflect important dates, events, people, and places, and their relevance to Yorktown.

EXHIBITS - Women's History Month, Black History Month, Memorial Day & The Davenport House

FUN PROGRAMS - A Moment in History: The Pines Bridge Skirmish - partnered with the John C. Hart Library, Model Train Making, Miniature Room Box Creation, Colonial Games, and an American Girl Doll Tea Party.

We had an information booth at the Rochambeau Festival held on the grounds of the Yorktown Grange.

We took a field trip to visit the exhibit about Benedict Arnold, 'Treason of the Blackest Dye" at the Pocantico Center.

There were lots of visits from local pre-schools and neurodivergent classes, Senior Living groups, even a mini high school reunion!



The Yorktown High School class of 1974 came here for a meet up!

The museum is proud to support interns from local schools and folks fulfilling community service. Their hard work is very appreciated!

I feel fortunate to have met lots of Yorktown folks who have welcomed me into the community, giving me insight and sparking ideas for future projects. This year has been a learning experience and I look forward to 2025.



Have you visited our gift shop?

Our goal for the museum is to make it a relevant source of local information and a destination for historical research and beyond.

Curious about your local family history? Check out the archive files in our Research Room!

Pssst... spread the word!

In speaking with visitors, the #1 statement I heard was, "I never knew this was here!" Meanwhile, the museum has been around for almost 60 years! Hopefully that will change as we engage the public through social media, interesting programs, and positive interactions with the community. So spread the word and send lots of visitors our way.

See you at the museum!

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> to keep up with our events. Feel free to share our posts! And look for this hashtag - <u>#seeyouatthemuseum</u>