

Please consider becoming a major sponsor of the inaugural CNY Abolitionist Freedom Walk to be held on October 23, 2022 in Canastota, New York.

We hope you will want to become a part of this celebration of unity, created with the help of the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor, and help to shine a bright light on the following pivotal moment in local history that dramatically changed the abolitionist movement in America.

Walkers will trace a portion of the footsteps of the 104 brave souls, who in 1835, escaped an angry mob of anti-abolitionists in Utica, embarked on an Erie Canal lumber barge to Canastota and, while singing freedom songs, climbed the steep trail to Peterboro where they formed the New York State Anti-Slavery Society.

Details on the event can be found at www.abolitionroad.org

Please consider the following opportunities and respond to this email or visit this link www.abolitionist-freedom-walk.eventbrite.com:

\$100 Abolitionist Patron: You or your company/organization will be listed on the website and featured in print materials distributed on October 23rd.

\$500 Station Master: You or your company/organization will be listed on the web site, featured in print materials, and receive a commemorative hat.

\$1,000 Underground Railroad Conductor: You or your company/organization will be listed on the website and featured at the water/stations on the walking route from Canastota to Clockville, NY.

\$5,000 Champion of Freedom: You or your company/organization will be featured on the event website, in press releases, and on the Abolitionist Freedom Walk Street banners in the Village of Canastota.

Proceeds from the Abolitionist Freedom Walk will go to the National Abolition Hall of Fame & Museum in Peterboro, NY and the Canal Town Museum in Canastota, NY. Forward support to National Abolition Hall of Fame and Museum (501c3) P.O. Box 55 Peterboro NY 13134

Thank you very much for considering this request. I will call you on or before August 30th to answer any questions you may have and to ascertain your interest in participating in the inaugural Abolitionist Freedom Walk.