



Harriet Tubman Movie Celebration

At 6:30 pm Thursday, November 21 Kate Clifford Larson PhD, author of *Harriet Tubman: Bound for the Promised Land*, and consultant for the movie *Harriet*, will present on the connections and relevance of Tubman to abolition and Underground Railroad history in Madison County NY. Larson's program will be hosted by the Partnership for Community Development and the Colgate University Upstate Institute at the Colgate Bookstore, directly across Lebanon Street from the Hamilton Theatre (7 Lebanon St) where the movie *Harriet* will show at 8 p.m. The Tubman author will remark on the authentic parts of the acclaimed movie, and answer questions about Tubman and the movie.

Dr. Larson's thorough research on Harriet Tubman, her family, her colleagues, and her landscapes was well recognized before her Tubman biography was published in 2004. The publication won the Wilbur H. Siebert Award, National Park Service Network to Freedom Program, for outstanding research on Harriet Tubman, her community, and the Underground Railroad in September 2015. Larson has been a consultant and interpretive specialist for numerous museum, community, and public history initiatives related to Harriet Tubman and the Underground Railroad in Maryland, Delaware, and New York, including the 125 mile Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway, an All-American Road, the NPS Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Park Special Resource Study, and the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad State Park and Visitor Center in Maryland. She was also a consultant with HBO about a Tubman miniseries (based on the Larson biography) which was co-produced with and starring Viola Davis. As extensive as was Larson's research, it is the humanizing stories of Tubman that have been fun for Kate to continue to collect about Tubman's everyday life, her character, her humor, her trials and tribulations.

Harriet Tubman was in the first class of five abolitionists inducted into the National Abolition Hall of Fame and Museum in Peterboro in October 2005. The other four abolitionists were colleagues of Tubman's: Frederick Douglass, William Lloyd Garrison, Lucretia Mott, and Gerrit Smith. The induction was held in the Palace Theatre in Hamilton. More information: www.nationalabolitionhalloffameandmuseum.org
Advanced tickets are encouraged for movie at Hamilton Theatre (7 Lebanon St, Hamilton NY 13346) at <https://www.hamiltontheater.net/buy-tickets-online/>.