



*"Washington Crossing Delaware 1776" ferry painting by Lloyd Garrison*

# Ferries: A Lifeline for Colonial Hopewell Valley Travelers

Sunday, October 22, 2023; 1:00 pm  
Presented by Stanley Saperstein

## About the Speaker



Stanley Saperstein is a professional historian, living historian and author. He is a graduate of

Rider University and the College of New Jersey with a masters in History and Education. He has taught History courses for the Princeton Evergreen Forum and has been an adjunct instructor for several local colleges. He served on the Board of Directors of the Swan Historical Foundation, Director of Preservation for The Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War Museum, served on the Trenton Bicentennial Commission, and is a trustee of the Washington Crossing Park Association. Saperstein also is a Master Carver Furniture Maker and Conservator Emeritus, and founder of Artisans of the Valley, Fine Custom Wood Working.

*In person at the Washington Crossing State Park Visitors Center Museum  
355 Washington Crossing Pennington Road, Titusville, NJ*

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[HopewellValleyHistory.org](http://HopewellValleyHistory.org)*

Hopewell Valley is home to many bridges, but how did people get around before they were built?

Early colonists may have been able to wade their horses across our many streams but imagine no Scudder Falls or Washington Crossing Bridge! Pennsylvania was just an aspiration to many before ferries were established every couple of miles along the Delaware. Who ran those operations and how did it work when you wanted to visit your cousin in Yardley? Or buy goods in Philadelphia? Or defeat the British?

Join us on October 22 as historian Stan Saperstein explains early ferry operations and how important they were both to regular people and to General Washington in winning the Revolutionary War.

This program is brought to you by the Hopewell Valley Historical Society, The Hopewell Museum and the Washington Crossing Park Association.



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