WINTER 2013 WORKSHOP FOR 5TH - 12TH GRADE TEACHERS Writing, Reading, & Preserving 18th century Letters

Presented by: the Paul Revere House & the Massachusetts Historical Society



Paul Revere portrait & letter Paul Revere Memorial Association Collection

Fee: \$80. Includes course readings, morning snacks and one lunch.

To Register: send an \$80 check payable to the Revere House at 19 North Sq., Boston, MA 02113 by January 31, 2013. Include your name, grade, home and school addresses and phone numbers, and email address. Please indicate any food allergies.

Earn 12 PDPs by attending the course and writing one lesson plan, or One Graduate Credit (equal to 22.5 PDPs) from Framingham State (credit pending) by paying an additional fee of \$75 and completing a more extensive project.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2013 9:00 – 4:30 Paul Revere House 19 North Square, Boston, MA 02113

Letter-writing in the 18th century: Who wrote letters and why?

Reading Between the Lines: What do surviving Revere letters tell us about the family? Small groups work together to note information gleaned from original and transcribed Revere family letters. A short tour of the Revere House is included to see a few Revere written items on display. Staff reveal the recent discovery of a missing Revere letter, how it came to light and how it has since been conserved. **Composition Workshop:** Write your own 18th c. style letter by following patterns & styles noted in examples shared in the morning sessions and required reading.

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Penmanship: Quill Pen Writing

Workshop: Copy out your own letter with a quill pen and ink. Proper 18th c. writing style & quill pen sharpening method will be taught by R. P. Hale, calligrapher and printer extraordinaire.

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2013 9:00 – 4:30

Massachusetts Historical Society 1154 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02215



Abagail Adams From a portrait courtesy of the Massachusetts Historical Society

Making Sense of Manuscripts: Learn more about the challenges & rewards of working with eighteenth-century documents such as the Adams Family Papers. **Collections Tour:** View examples of letters in the Massachusetts Historical Society's extensive collections. **Your turn:** Try your hand at transcribing eighteenthcentury letters from the Society's collections. After working in small groups, participants can share their own challenges and successes.

A Life in Letters: What does the correspondence between Abigail Adams and her husband and sisters tell us about life in the late eighteenth century? Participants will examine a series of letters in order to create a sketch of Adams family life at the time of the American Revolution.

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APPLICATION

Saturdays, February 9, and March 9, 2013

| Name: | School: |
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| Home Address: | Grade (preference for 5th - 12th) : |
| | School Address: |
| Home Phone: | |
| Home Email: | School Phone: |

Please send this form along with a check for \$80 payable to the Paul Revere House to: Education Department, Paul Revere House, 19 North Square, Boston, MA 02113.

The **\$80** fee includes refreshments both mornings, lunch on March 9 (on February 9, participants may either bring lunch or purchase lunch in the North End), and readings. Registrations should be received before January 31, 2013. Please note any food allergies here ______ and every effort will be made to accomodate them.

Course Requirements:

READINGS: Participants will be emailed materials including a variety of 18th century letters to read in advance of the sessions on February 9. You will be asked to thoroughly review the Massachusetts Historical Society's website: http://www.masshist.org/revolution to prepare for the sessions on March 9.

PROJECTS: To earn 12 PDPs, teachers must write one lesson plan related to the content of the course. If you opt to take the course for one graduate credit from Framingham State University (equal to 22.5 PDPs), you will need to write five lesson plans or extensive reflections about each session. (Credit is pending.) Projects are due on April 1, 2013.

Fee for Graduate Credit:

If you take the course for credit from Framingham State, you will complete a registration form and pay an additional fee of \$75 on the first day of the course. Please do not send this fee to the Revere House now!

For Further Information:

Contact Emily Holmes, Education Director at the Paul Revere House: 617-523-2338, or emily@paulreverehouse.org Visit the presenting organizations online at their websites: www.paulreverehouse.org & www.masshist.org

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