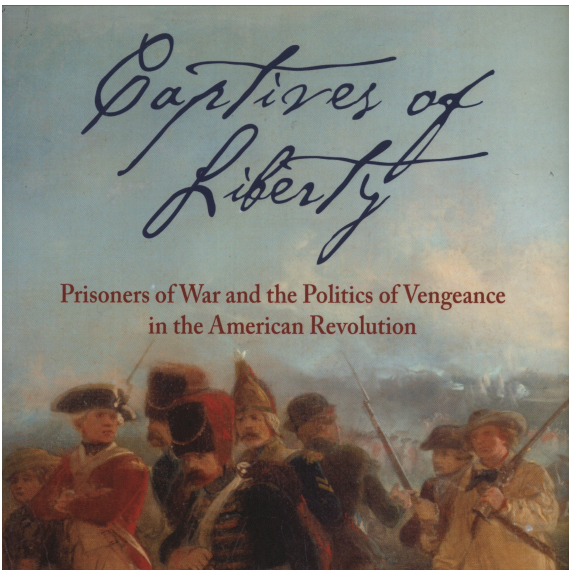


2021 Society of the Cincinnati Prize

The Institute is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2021 Society of the Cincinnati Prize is T. Cole Jones for his book *Captives of Liberty: Prisoners of War and the Politics of Vengeance in the American Revolution* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2020), an original and groundbreaking examination of how the founding generation of Americans grappled with the problems of prisoner treatment during the War for Independence. Dr. Jones, an assistant professor of history at Purdue University, received his Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University in 2014, and subsequently held post-doctoral fellowships at the American Antiquarian Society and the New-York Historical Society. He conducted significant research for his book in our library as the recipient of the Society of the Cincinnati Scholars' Grant in 2010.



The Society of the Cincinnati Prize is presented annually for an outstanding book on the American Revolution and its legacy, selected by a committee of scholars, educators, and writers. Learn more about the prize and its distinguished recipients on the American Revolution Institute website.

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A Year of Online Museum Collections

One year ago the American Revolution Institute launched its museum collections database online, providing information on our art and artifacts to anyone with a computer or mobile device. Since then, the online museum database has grown to include nearly 1,000 objects—about 20% of the museum collections—ranging from the first object to enter the collections (a mahogany document box commissioned by the Society of the Cincinnati in 1787 to hold its archives) to the most recent acquisitions. In the last year we have photographed hundreds of objects to add to the online database, which now features more than 1,800 high-resolution images.



Recent additions to the online museum collections database include a ca. 1770 hanger sword and scabbard carried by Capt. William Richards of Connecticut, a 1796 wax portrait of Capt. John Paul Jones by John Flaxman, a boxed set of paymaster's scales owned by Maj. Henry Sewall of Massachusetts, a 1924 bronze statuette of the marquis de Lafayette by Paul Wayland Bartlett (pictured at right), and a collection of copper plates used to print eighteenth- and nineteenth-century engravings of leaders of the American Revolution. This growing resource helps to make the Institute's museum collections better known and to highlight the importance of preserving and studying the material culture of the Revolutionary era. Whether you are researching an ancestor, writing about the American Revolution, or simply curious about objects from our nation's founding, we encourage you to use our online museum collections database.

[Explore the Museum Database](#)

New Lesson Offers “Distinguished Proof of Unexampled Patriotism & Patient Virtue”

“Let me entreat you, Gentlemen, on your part, not to take any measures, which, viewed in the calm light of reason, will lessen the dignity, & sully the glory you have hitherto maintained—let me request you to rely on the plighted faith of your Country, and place a full confidence in the purity of the intentions of Congress; ... And let me conjure you, in the name of our common Country ... to express your utmost horror & detestation of the Man who wishes, under any specious pretences, to overturn the liberties of our Country, & who wickedly attempts to open the flood Gates of Civil discord, & deluge our rising Empire in Blood.” George Washington, March 15, 1783



One of America's very first triumphant lessons in leadership played out in Spring 1783 as the United States awaited a formal accord of peace with Great Britain, when General George Washington's words calmed his impassioned officer corps as they contemplated taking matters into their own hands and abandoning their faith in our young government. Washington's dedication to selfless public service and his vision for America's future were never more apparent than in the delivery of his Newburgh Address.

Never have his words rung truer than today, and never has there been a better time to share the Institute's new lesson chronicling “unexampled patriotism & patient virtue” with America's students. [Learn about George Washington's vision for the United States.](#)

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F. Anderson “Andy” Morse is the director of development at the American Revolution Institute. A native of Richmond, Virginia, Andy leads our fundraising team in our efforts to grow the essential financial and charitable support needed for us to expand the reach of our educational mission. Andy's favorite period of history is the American Revolution because it encapsulates, “our journey, our legacy, and it helps make America unique! The fact that the Society of the Cincinnati and its American Revolution Institute have always treasured America's Revolutionary ideals is a noble call and one that I am honored to promote.”



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