

Press Release

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The Anderson Falls Heritage Society's 2021 Summer Speakers' Series begins on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 with a presentation on the historic bridges of Keeseville by Steven Engelhart, Executive Director of Adirondack Architectural Heritage. The program begins at 7 PM at the Keeseville Fire Station, 8 Pleasant Street, Keeseville, NY and is free and open to the public. Attendees who are unimmunized against COVID-19 are asked to wear a mask.

The program will explore the incredible variety of historic bridges that are found in the region. These include: stone arch bridges in Keeseville and Ticonderoga; covered bridges in Jay and Edinburg; iron trusses over the Ausable, Hudson, Saranac, Raquette, Moose, and Sacandaga Rivers; reinforced concrete, stone-faced, spans in Keene, Piercefield, and Black Brook; and the marvelous steel arch bridge over Ausable Chasm. As bridges are among our most endangered historic resources, the program also looks at successful strategies for preserving these regional treasures.

Steven Engelhart was a founding board member of Adirondack Architectural Heritage before becoming its first Executive Director in 1994. He holds an MS in historic preservation from the University of Vermont and is the author of *Crossing the River: Historic Bridges of the AuSable River*, a small book about bridges and local history of the Ausable Valley.

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