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## MEET THE REENACTORS



### **Peter Condrick** • British Sargent

Norwell, Massachusetts

"As a teenager, this is what I did, it defined who I was. When I go home, all the *esprit de corps*, all the open-minded friendliness that I have found within this hobby goes into my real life."



### **Mike Coppe** • British Officer

Lexington, Massachusetts

"The Colonials were there to protect their families and their homes; the Regulars were there to do the King's work and to seize the arms and munitions stored in Concord."



### **Skip Hayward** • Patriot

Belmont, Massachusetts

"We are living historians and we enjoy each other's company as much as anything. The end result is history."



### **Rebecca Hendrix** • Loyalist

Danbury, Connecticut

"I come from Connecticut, where the population was about 25 percent loyalist and another 25 percent patriot and the other 50 percent didn't want anything to do with the war one way or another."

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**Clinton Jackson • Patriot**

Lowell, Massachusetts

“What I am is a reenactor, somebody who feels as though it is important to understand the passion of what took place here.”



**Henry Liu • Patriot**

Lexington, Massachusetts

“I was concerned about being Asian, how do I hide that? Glasses don’t hide it, I can’t wear a mask, but everyone kept telling me, ‘Don’t worry about it, just come celebrate the history with us.’”



**Wayne McCarthy • Captain, Lexington Minutemen**

Waltham, Massachusetts

“I am interested in history, not just of the country but of mankind. A lot of what happens during the course of the battle for Lexington is a reflection of history many times repeating itself.”



**Rhonda McConnon • Patriot**

Bolton, Massachusetts

“Much has happened so quickly. We didn’t expect firing. The British didn’t expect firing. We are wondering what is going to happen.”



**Peter Meek • Minister**

Lexington, Massachusetts

“In these difficult and dangerous days with so much unrest in Boston and so much uncertainty, you have entrusted your safety to a militia of your neighbors...these men are defending our liberty. We have been a nation in all but name; we are doing what is just and right for ourselves.”



**Paul O'Shaughnessy** • British Commanding Officer

Lexington, Massachusetts

“The smoke curls away and suddenly you see all these bodies on the green — that is not what was supposed to happen—oh my God, what have we done?”



**Charles Price** • Patriot

Lexington, Massachusetts

“I take the role of a slave of the Estabrook family. Perhaps he hoped that if he goes out and fights with the militia he might be able to obtain his freedom.”



**Jim Roberts** • Sargent, Lexington Minutemen

Groton, Massachusetts

“Patriot’s Day is my birthday. My parents would bring us down and we’d watch the minutemen coming down the street.”



**Winston Stone** • Captain and Lieutenant Colonel, First Guards

Middleboro, Massachusetts

“It’s just great fun being out there doing these events, you feel like you are the cream of the crop of the British Army.”

## CREDITS

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