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Photos Attached (courtesy of J.M.Stringer Gallery):
John Phillip Osborne in his Ringwood, NJ studio
"Washington, Lafayette and The Army," Jockey Hollow, Oil on linen, 30 x 40
"The March Through The Watchung Mountains," Oil on linen, 22 x 28
"Rochambeau and Washington Planning Yorktown," Oil on linen, 8 x 10 inches
[three of the paintings to be featured at the Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum, May 12-13 and 19-20]

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THE FRIENDS OF THE JACOBUS VANDERVEER HOUSE PRESENT JOHN PHILLIP OSBORNE: THE THIRTEEN COLONIES

SPECIAL TWO-WEEKEND EXHIBITION & SALE WITH J.M. STRINGER GALLERY

Artist Demonstration – Saturday, May 12, beginning at 2 p.m.

Mothers & Mimosas Tour, Sunday, May 13 – 12 to 5 p.m.

Bedminster, NJ, May 4, 2018...The Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House will host a special exhibition and sale of works by American master painter John Phillip Osborne with the J. M. Stringer Gallery of Fine Art (formerly of Bernardsville and now based in Vero Beach, FL).

The exhibition – *John Phillip Osborne: The Thirteen Colonies* – will run May 12-13 and May 19-20 with a special artist's demonstration beginning at 2 p.m. on May 12 and a *Mothers & Mimosas Tour,* Sunday, May 13 (12-5 p.m.) in honor of Mother's Day. The collection features works – all available for purchase – representing each of the 13 original American colonies. A portion of the sales will benefit the nonprofit Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum.

"We are thrilled to welcome John Osborne and the J.M. Stringer Gallery back to the Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum," commented Craig Sutherland, President of the Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House." John is a preeminent painter of Revolutionary War-era subjects and several of his works are part of our museum's permanent collection."

The exhibition will be open Saturdays 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. during both weekends. Docents will be available for guided tours of the Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum and informational material about the 1772 Dutch-Colonial home, period rooms and furnishings are available throughout the house.

Admission \$10 (Free to members of the Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum and children 12 and under).

About John Phillip Osborne

John Phillip Osborne was born in 1951 and resides in Ringwood, New Jersey. He graduated cum laude from the Pratt Institute in New York with a degree in fine arts, and recently retired after 35 years as senior instructor at the Ridgewood Art Institute.

His paintings – which range from still life and landscape to Revolutionary War-era depictions – are exhibited internationally at the American Embassies in Europe, Africa, Asia, South America and Russia. Nationally, he is represented by galleries from the east coast to the west, including the J.M. Stringer Gallery of Fine Art in Vero Beach, FL.

Osborne studied painting with Alban Albert and Arthur Maynard, who influenced his philosophical approach to painting. Known for his handling of light and attention to atmospheric effects, he excels in recording specific times of day, seasons, and weather conditions.

His awards include the first American Artists Achievement Award for Teacher of Oil Painting; the Hudson Valley Art Association's highest honor, Artist in Special Tribute; many Best in Show honors, including the Hudson Valley Art Association's Gold Medal of Honor and numerous Best Light and Atmospheric Effect awards.

For more information about John Phillip Osborne, visit www.jmstringergallery.com.

About The Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum

The Jacobus Vanderveer House served as headquarters for General Henry Knox during the winter of 1778-79 and is the only surviving building associated with the Pluckemin Artillery Cantonment, now recognized as America's first military training academy and the precursor to The United States Military Academy at West Point. The Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum interprets Dutch colonial life in America as well as the stay by General Knox and his family during the 1778-79 encampment. A National and New Jersey Historic Site, the Jacobus Vanderveer House is a true landmark that offers a vivid look into the history of our country and the lives of those who made it.

Operated by the nonprofit Friends of The Jacobus Vanderveer House (a 501(c)(3) organization) for the past 20 years, the museum is located at 3055 River Road and can be accessed via River Road Park. The Friends sponsor public events throughout the year; for directions and more information, visit www.jvanderveerhouse.org.

The Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House received an operating support grant from the New Jersey Historical Commission, a division of the Department of State.