



***The Huguenot Redoubt, c. 1685* by historical painter Len Tantillo now on view at Historic Huguenot Street**

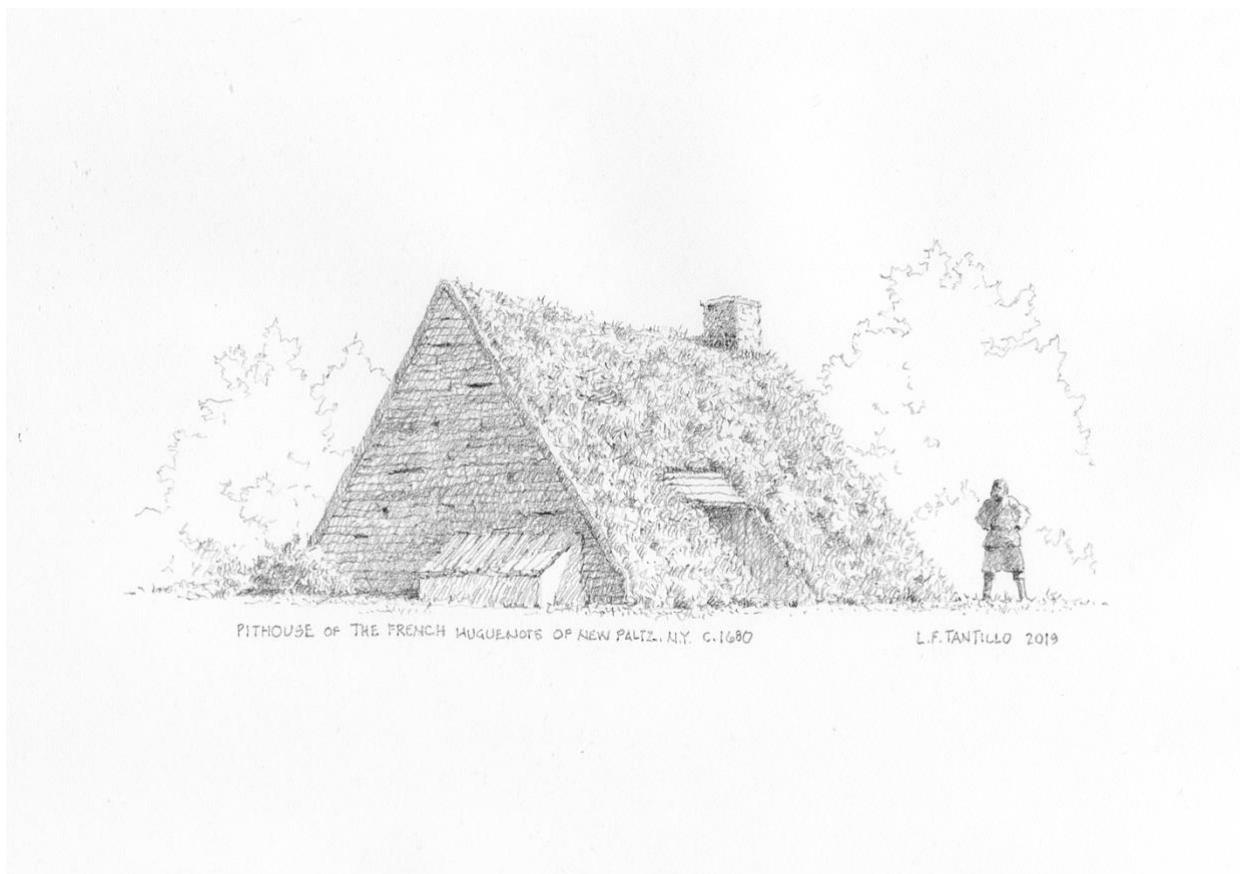


NEW PALTZ, NY (August 13, 2019) Historic Huguenot Street, with help from its generous supporters, is commissioning fine artist Len Tantillo to create a series of three paintings. The paintings will become part of the permanent collection at Historic Huguenot Street, enhancing the museum's interpretations and aiding visitors in understanding what the street has looked like over different times in history.

The first painting, *The Huguenot Redoubt, c. 1685*, was completed earlier this year with the help of donated funds and is now on display in the DuBois Fort Visitor Center.

With a heavy emphasis on the use of primary resources and modern technology to create historically accurate paintings, Tantillo has exhibited his work across America and internationally. Based on decades of archaeological research conducted on the grounds of Huguenot Street, Tantillo's paintings will transform the museum's interpretation of periods for which HHS lacks pictorial representations.

Prints of the painting are available for sale in the museum gift shop, as well as [online](#). Note card sets, featuring preliminary pencil sketches for the first painting by Len Tantillo, are also available for purchase.



The scholarship derived from archaeology on the museum's campus was conducted primarily by Dr. Joseph Diamond, professor and archaeologist at SUNY New Paltz. Tantillo's artistic skill is transforming vast amounts of research in HHS's archive, decades of archaeological digs, and architectural history into reality. The second commissioned painting, the location and subject of which is yet to be revealed, is planned for 2020.

Those interested in learning more about the project and how to support Historic Huguenot Street's future commissions can visit [www.huguenotstreet.org/painting](http://www.huguenotstreet.org/painting).

### About Historic Huguenot Street

*A National Historic Landmark District, Historic Huguenot Street is a 501(c)3 non-profit that encompasses 30 buildings across 10 acres comprising the heart of the original 1678 New Paltz settlement, including seven stone houses dating to the early eighteenth century. Historic Huguenot Street was founded in 1894 as the Huguenot Patriotic, Historical, and Monumental Society to preserve the nationally acclaimed collection of stone houses. Since then, Historic Huguenot Street has grown into an innovative museum, chartered as an educational corporation by the University of the State of New York Department of Education that is dedicated to protecting our historic buildings, preserving an*

*important collection of artifacts and manuscripts, and promoting the stories of the Huguenot Street families from the seventeenth century to today.*

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