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Stratford Hall Announces *Virginia Resolved* Keynote Speaker, Participation of VA250 Mobile Museum and The United States Navy Concert Band

Stratford, Virginia (March 20, 2026) – Stratford Hall Historic Preserve has announced Carly Fiorina, the Virginia American Revolution 250 Commission's National Honorary Chair, as its [Virginia Resolved](#) keynote speaker during the evening program from 6 to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 6. A best-selling author on leadership and the former CEO of Hewlett-Packard, she was the first woman to lead a Fortune 50 company. Read her [full bio here](#). Her remarks will accompany a speech from a Richard Henry Lee historic interpreter and a patriotic music performance from The United States Navy Concert Band. As the original ensemble of the Navy Band, the Concert Band has been performing public concerts and participating in high-profile events for over a century. The [free evening event](#) will offer food trucks, wine and beer sales, DJ music, and conclude with a fireworks show. Advance registration is encouraged. Reservations are being taken for a [5 to 7:30 p.m. dinner buffet](#) in the Stratford Hall dining room.

"Richard Henry Lee's Resolution for Independence helped set a nation in motion. Two hundred and fifty years later, Virginia remains the place where that story began—and where it continues," said Carly Fiorina, VA250 National Honorary Chair. "*America. Made in Virginia.* is more than a theme; it is a reminder that the ideas, people, and events that shaped our nation took root here. *Virginia Resolved* invites us to reflect on our history, engage with its full complexity, and renew our commitment to the ideals that still define us today."

Festivities will continue into [Sunday, June 7 for a ticketed event from 12 to 4 p.m.](#) featuring a citizenship ceremony, discussions with Richard Henry Lee and Hannah

Lee Corbin historic interpreters, cavalry drills from the 1st and 4th Continental Light Dragoons, musket demonstrations with the Sons of the American Revolution, 18th-century foodways demonstrations, a student art show, and more. VA250's Mobile Museum Experience will be on the grounds both days for visitors to learn how Westmoreland County's history intertwined with the larger American Revolution. More than just a static display, "Out of Many, One" is a cutting-edge, immersive, and hands-on exhibition housed within a custom-built 53-foot expandable tractor-trailer. Utilizing high-tech displays, interactive exhibits, and compelling artifacts, the museum offers visitors of all ages an engaging journey through the pivotal events, groundbreaking ideas, and diverse individuals who shaped America in its earliest days. It highlights Virginia's essential contributions as the birthplace of the nation and its ongoing pursuit of a more perfect union.

Virginia Resolved Admission Details:

Buffet Dinner on Saturday, June 6 from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

Reservations required: <https://tickets.stratfordhall.org/event/virginia-resolved-buffet-dinner-s6lqxc>

\$28 for adults and ages 14+

\$20 for ages 4-13

Free for ages 3 and under

Free Evening Program on Saturday, June 6 from 6 to 9:30 p.m.

Registration encouraged: <https://tickets.stratfordhall.org/event/virginia-resolved-free-evening-program-11yrhh>

Historic Activities on Sunday, June 7 from 12 to 4 p.m.

Tickets required: <https://tickets.stratfordhall.org/event/virginia-resolved-wluzjn>

\$15 for adults and ages 14+

\$10 for ages 6-13

Free for ages 5 and under, Westmoreland County residents, Friends of Stratford members, Blue Star Families, and Museums for All participants

Virginia Resolved is Stratford Hall's newest signature event and will commemorate the 250th anniversary of Richard Henry Lee's *Resolution for Independence* on the Semiquincentennial year of the United States. This year's event is in partnership with [Westmoreland County](#) and the [Virginia American Revolution 250 Commission \(VA250\)](#). The organizations anticipate this to be a staple summer event for the Northern Neck community and visitors from across the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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About Stratford Hall Historic Preserve

Stratford Hall Historic Preserve, a National Historic Landmark in Westmoreland County, Virginia, brings together people from around the world to experience 1,800 acres of natural and human history, preserved and presented so that they can all learn from the courageous struggles of their ancestors, taking inspiration both from what they endured and what they accomplished. With the approach of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 2026, now is a significant time to elevate the stories of the people who lived and labored here, including two signers of the Declaration of Independence, revolutionaries, and the Africans and African Americans who shaped the history of Stratford Hall. Learn more at www.StratfordHall.org.

About the American Revolution 250 Commission (VA250)

Virginia's American Revolution 250 Commission (VA250) was established by the General Assembly to be the official organizing body to commemorate Virginia's role in the 250th anniversary of American Independence. Its mission is to educate Americans about our history, founding ideals, and system of government; engage with communities to tell a complete story; and inspire people to recommit to the values inherent in citizenship. Join us in our effort to form a "more perfect union" in the place that made it possible. VA250.org

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