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TRYON PALACE HISTORIC SITES & GARDENS
“Discovering American History in England”
with Catherine Leitch



NEW BERN, NC (3/31/09) ---Tryon Palace Historic Sites & Gardens and The English-Speaking Union are pleased to announce that on Thursday, April 30, Catherine Leitch will present a talk based on her recent book, “Discovering American History in England, an Illustrated Traveler’s

Guide.” There is no charge for this lecture, which will take place in the Tryon Palace auditorium at 7 p.m.

After moving to England from the US, Catherine Leitch set out to explore the amazing history of her new country. During her research, she turned up an exciting list of places to visit with many surprising discoveries - such as the governor of Massachusetts who was beheaded on Tower Hill; the Native American who refused to bow when presented to King George II; and the Wild West Showman who made Queen Victoria smile.

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Come to the lecture and learn many more stories that illustrate the "Special Relationship" between the US and UK. This lecture is co-sponsored by The English-Speaking Union and Tryon Palace Historic Sites & Gardens.

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Buildings currently open to the public include the reconstructed Tryon Palace, the John Wright Stanly House, the George W. Dixon House, and the Robert Hay House. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Tickets and tour information are available at the Visitor Center located at the corner of George and Pollock streets. The Visitor Center and the first floor of Tryon Palace are accessible to visitors with disabilities. For directions and further information about special events, programs or group tours, phone (800) 767-1560 or (252) 514-4900 or visit our web site: www.tryonpalace.org.