

## Revolution's Edge: "Two if by Sea" at 250 Sponsorship Package

**Date: April 18, 2025**

**Time: TBD, to coincide with the evening reenactment of Revere's row**

**Location: Paul Revere Mall, Boston's North End**

Old North Illuminated (ONI) is preparing for the 250th anniversary of the famous "two if by sea" lantern signals that hung from the church's steeple on the night of Paul Revere's midnight ride. This fateful event helped spark the American Revolution and is commemorated annually as part of the city's Patriots' Day weekend festivities. ONI is seeking funding to produce a special event on the evening of April 18, 2025: a public table reading of the play, *Revolution's Edge*. This gripping, 45-minute historical drama was met with acclaim by both audiences and critics in 2023 and 2024, garnering press coverage from the *Associated Press*, WBUR's *Radio Boston*, and WGBH's *Boston Public Radio*.

*Revolution's Edge* takes us to the afternoon of April 18, 1775, hours before the signal lanterns would shine from Old North's steeple. With war on the horizon, Old North's Loyalist rector, the Rev. Dr. Mather Byles Jr., is pushed to "resign" his post. As Byles and Cato (an African man enslaved by Byles) prepare to leave the church for the final time, they encounter Capt. John Pulling Jr., a prominent member of the congregation, ardent Patriot, and friend of Paul Revere. As these three real-life characters have an imagined conversation, long-simmering tensions reflecting the complexities of life in colonial Boston come to a boil. *Revolution's Edge* invites audiences to consider the spectrum of political beliefs that existed during the Revolutionary War era and the ways that race, class, and personal experiences influence our beliefs and values today.

The event will be held outdoors on the Paul Revere Mall, a public and accessible space. Guests will be greeted by musicians playing period music before brief speaking remarks welcome the crowd and introduce the 45-minute costumed read of *Revolution's Edge*. Limited seating will be reserved for sponsors and those who are unable to stand for the event. The event will be held in the evening, and timed so that Old North's lanterns light up at the conclusion of the reading, and at the beginning of the reenactment of Revere's row across the Charles River.



**Sponsorship Opportunities**

|   | Revolutionary Sponsor | Patriot Sponsor | Minuteman Sponsor | Lantern Sponsor |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Sponsorship Benefits  | \$15,000              | \$10,000        | \$7,500           | \$5,000         |
| An opportunity to offer remarks during the event (3 minutes)  | X                     | X               | X                 |                 |
| An opportunity to offer recorded remarks that will be used for promotion leading up to the event (1 minute) | X                     | X               | X                 | X               |
| Reserved Seating  | 16 seats              | 12 seats        | 8 seats           | 4 seats         |
| Acknowledgment given in ONI's spoken remarks at the start of the event                                      | X                     | X               | X                 | X               |
| Acknowledgment in all media alerts and press releases   | X                     | X               | X                 | X               |
| Acknowledgement through social media posts  | X                     | X               | X                 | X               |
| Prominent acknowledgment in event promotional materials   | X                     | X               | X                 | X               |

Old North Illuminated is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that is responsible for historic site operations and interpretative, educational, and preservation programs at the iconic Old North Church & Historic Site. Sponsorships are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law and will support the direct costs associated with planning and hosting this event.

To inquire about sponsorship, please contact Nikki Stewart, Executive Director, at [nstewart@oldnorth.com](mailto:nstewart@oldnorth.com).





**Sponsorship Commitment Form**

**YES!** My I would like to sponsor Lanterns & Luminaries at the following level (circle one):

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| Revolutionary | Patriot  | Minuteman | Lantern |
| \$15,000      | \$10,000 | \$7,500   | \$5,000 |

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Old North Illuminated is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization (Tax ID # 04-3120688). Contributions are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law. A tax receipt will be provided.

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Please return form to: Old North Illuminated, 193 Salem Street, Boston, MA 02113

You may also scan and return this form to [nstewart@oldnorth.com](mailto:nstewart@oldnorth.com). For additional information, contact Nikki Stewart, Executive Director, at 617-513-5999.