

## RELENTLESS FURY: THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR IN THE SOUTHERN PIEDMONT

As part of its ongoing celebration of the 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Southern Campaign of the American Revolution, the Culture & Heritage Museums (CHM) is pleased to announce the publication of *Relentless Fury: The Revolutionary War in the Southern Piedmont*, CHM's fourth publication on the War for Independence in the Southern colonies. Written by CHM historian Michael C. Scoggins, *Relentless Fury* is a full-color 60-page catalog based on the current Revolutionary War exhibition at the Museum of York County, *Liberty or Death: Rebels and Loyalists in the Southern Piedmont*. Like the exhibition, this publication was underwritten by a generous grant from the Watson-Brown Foundation, Inc.

Published in November 2006, *Relentless Fury* derives its title from a statement made by American General Nathanael Greene in December 1780. After observing first-hand the vicious and bloody partisan warfare in the Carolina backcountry, Greene commented that "the Whigs and Tories pursue one another with the most relentless fury, killing and destroying each other wherever they meet." And as its name implies, *Relentless Fury* is focused exclusively on the Revolutionary War campaigns in the backcountry of the two Carolinas and Georgia. This lavishly illustrated 8 ½ x 11 documentary is printed on glossy paper with a perfect binding, and it includes over 60 high-resolution color and black-and-white images, with accompanying text and an extensive bibliography.

*Relentless Fury* is not a narrative history of the Southern Campaign in the Piedmont; rather, it is a visual overview of people, places and artifacts from the so-called "civil war" in the backcountry. Most of the illustrations in this book are appearing in print for the first time. These include rare color and black-and-white portraits of key individuals, both military and civilian, who figured prominently in the war in the Piedmont; photographs of period and reproduction uniforms, weapons and equipment; original military documents including regimental payrolls, officers' commissions, and pension statements; and previously unpublished battlefield maps of engagements like Hanging Rock, Fishdam Ford, and Blackstock's Plantation, reproduced with permission from such noted historical collections such as the Cornwallis Papers and the Lyman C. Draper Manuscript Collection.

*Relentless Fury* is a stunning and colorful tour-de-force that will be of interest to all students of the American Revolution. Retail price is \$19.99. South Carolina residents please add 6% sales tax. For more information, or to place an order, contact the Museum Store, Museum of York County, 4621 Mt. Gallant Road, Rock Hill, SC 29732 (803.981.9181), or the Historic Brattonsville Gift Shop, 1444 Brattonsville Road, McConnells, SC 29726 (803.684.2327).