

Winter Presentation

The Hudson River Schools of Art and Their Ice Age Origins

Presenters: Robert and Johanna Titus



Art and geology meet when authors Robert and Johanna Titus look at the ways in which the natural landscapes sculpted by ice age processes were captured by artists of the Hudson River Schools.

Ice age glaciers formed the mountains and valleys of the Catskills, creating vistas we have come to know through the works of Thomas Cole, Sanford Robinson Gifford, Fredrick Church, and others. These artists painted images of grand wilderness in the Catskills, popularizing the region and influencing the early environmental movement.

Join Johanna and Robert in exploring the ice age origins of iconic Hudson River School paintings.

Presenters Robert and Johanna Titus are journalists, authors, geologists, and longtime residents of the Hudson Valley and Catskills. They are the authors of several books, including *The Hudson Valley in the Ice Age, The Catskills in the Ice Age, The Catskills: A Geological Guide*, and their 2023 book *The Hudson River Schools of Art and Their Ice Age Origins*. They write regular geology columns for regional magazines and newspapers and maintain the blog The Catskill Geologist (thecatskillgeologist.com).

Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Time: 11:00 am -12:30 pm Place: Online via Zoom

REGISTRATION: Lifespring members and members of the community are invited to attend this free online event. **Registration opens on Monday, January 27,2025 and closes Monday, February 10, 2025 at 5pm.** A link to the registration form will be posted on the Lifespring website under Latest News and Winter Presentations.