

Lafayette and the Enduring Struggle for Human Rights and Democratic Governments Edited by Alan R. Hoffman, Lloyd Kramer, and Jan O'Sullivan

This book includes eight outstanding essays in which historians explain why Lafayette remains a valuable ally for twenty-first-century defenders of human rights and democratic institutions. Each chapter was originally presented during a public Symposium in September 2024 at Fairfield University, where the "American Friends of Lafayette" (AFL) and members of the Fairfield community met to analyze and honor the bicentennial anniversary of Lafayette's famous tour of the United States in 1824-25. Focusing on Lafayette's historical reputation, influential ideas, and courageous public actions, the authors provide well-informed insights that explain why Lafayette still matters in our own time.

These essays will be essential reading for anyone who wants to understand Lafayette's enduring significance for the history and the future of democratic political values.

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