

Help Us Shape the Future of The Beacon!

1. How familiar are you with Thomas Paine's life and work?

- Very familiar — I've read extensively about him
- Somewhat familiar — I know the basics
- Casually familiar — I've picked up information over time.
- Just getting started

2. Which periods of Thomas Paine's life interest you most? (Select all that apply)

- His early years in Thetford and Lewes, UK
- His arrival in America and the Revolutionary War years
- His years in Britain during the *Rights of Man* controversy
- His time in Revolutionary France and imprisonment
- His final years in America
- All periods equally

3. Which aspects of Paine's work and thought do you find most compelling? (Select all that apply)

- Common Sense* and the case for American independence
- Rights of Man* and democratic reform
- The Age of Reason* and religious freethought
- Agrarian Justice* and early ideas about social welfare
- His influence on later radical and labor movements
- His ideas about international republicanism

4. Which themes would you like to see explored in future Beacon's? (Select up to three)

- Paine's personal relationships and private life
- The women in Paine's intellectual circle
- Paine's transatlantic networks and correspondents
- New archival discoveries and primary source research
- Paine's legacy and influence on later reform movements
- Paine and the French Revolution
- Paine's relevance to contemporary political issues
- Reviews of new books and scholarship on Paine

5. What would you like to see more of in The Beacon? (Select all that apply)

- Book and exhibition reviews
- Interviews with scholars and authors
- Primary source transcriptions with commentary
- Reader letters and responses
- Photo essays and visual history

6. Is there a specific topic, question, or aspect of Paine's life you feel has been overlooked or deserves more attention? Please share your thoughts:

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