

## Martha's Vineyard Museum Staff

Phil Wallis, *Executive Director*  
Anna Barber, *Curator of Exhibitions*  
Ann DuCharme, *Education Director*  
Katy Fuller, *Operations Director*  
Teresa Kruszewski, *Development & Administrative Coordinator*  
Linsey Lee, *Oral History Curator*  
Betsey Mayhew, *Finance Director*  
Sam Morris, *Digital Services Manager*  
Catherine Merwin Mayhew, *Genealogist*  
Laura Noonan, *Oral History Assistant*  
Dawna Phaneuf, *Housekeeper*  
Beth Seabourne, *Education Teacher*  
Heather Seger, *Advancement Director*  
Bonnie Stacy, *Chief Curator*  
Bow Van Riper, *Research Librarian & Editor of the  
MVM Quarterly*



*The Martha's Vineyard Museum inspires all people  
to discover, explore, and strengthen their connections  
to this Island and its diverse heritage.*

## 96<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Martha's Vineyard Museum

August 20, 2018 ~ 5:00 pm  
Federated Church, Edgartown



### *Board of Directors 2018*

Steve Aubrey, *Chair*  
Barbara Alleyne, *Vice-Chair*  
Julianna Flanders, *Secretary*  
Dale Garth, *Treasurer*  
Philip S. Wallis, *Executive Director*

Elizabeth Beim, Nat Benjamin, Robert Blacklow, Jeb Blatt, Skip  
Finley, David R. Foster, Deidre Frank, Peter Gearhart, S. Fain  
Hackney, David LeBreton, David Lewis, Phoebe Lewis, Calvin  
Linnemann, Mark Alan Lovewell, June Manning, John E.  
McDonald, Jr., Christopher Morse, Chris Murphy, Jim Newman,  
Phil Regan, Juliana Rogers, Paul Schneider, Richard Walker,  
Cathy Weiss, Lana Woods, Denys Wortman

## Agenda

Call to Order: Stever Aubrey, Chairman

- Approval of the 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes
- Report of the Chairman

Report of the Executive Director: Phil Wallis

Report of the Treasurer: Dale Garth

Questions

Report of the Committee on Directors: David LeBreton

- Election of Directors
- Vote on Proposed By-Law Changes

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Presentation of the 2018 Martha's Vineyard Medal: Phil Wallis

- Ann Smith
  - o Introduced by Janis Smith-Gomez
- Rose Styron
  - o Introduced by Phil Wallis
- Denys Wortman
  - o Introduced by Richard Skidmore

*All are invited back to the Museum to enjoy a reception following the medal ceremony.*

## Martha's Vineyard Medal Recipients

2017 Recipients:

Kate Hancock James B. Richardson, III (Jim) S. Christopher Scott

2016 Recipients:

Len Butler Robert S. Douglas Catherine (Kay) Mayhew

2015 Recipients:

Pat Gregory Patricia Morgan Cynthia Riggs

2014 Recipients:

Renee Balter Dorothy Bangs Richard Paradise

2013 Recipients:

Sheldon Hackney Olga Hirshhorn Murphy Family (Stan, Polly, Chris, and Barbara)

2012 Recipients:

Athearn Family Geraldine Brooks Tony Horwitz Hugh Knipmeyer

2011 Recipients:

Marian Halperin Francine Kelley S. Bailey Norton, Jr.

2010 Recipients:

David McCullough Arthur R. Railton Tobias Jonathan Vanderhoop

2009 Recipients:

Ray Ellis Tom Hale Della Hardman John Walter

## Report of the Committee on Directors 2018

### **Rose Styron**

Presented by Phil Wallis

Rose Styron is a poet, human rights activist, journalist, and fellow at the Kennedy Institute of Politics. She has lived in Vineyard Haven full time since 2012 and summered on the Island for over fifty years. Poetry and human rights have always been her top priorities, however, not long after her husband's death, she set poetry aside to collect and publish Selected Letters of William Styron. Rose has written countless poems about the Vineyard and also authored the foreword to Tom Dresser's Women on Martha's Vineyard book. She is very active on the Vineyard with a number of Island non-profits including Women Empowered, MV Community Services, the Poetry Café at the MV Playhouse, and the MV Book Festival. Off-Island she has been a long supporter of Plimoth Plantation and has been involved with Amnesty International for decades.

### **Denys Wortman**

Presented by Richard Skidmore

Denys Wortman is a retired Tisbury selectman. He is the son of the late Denys Wortman, painter and cartoonist. Wortman has served on the Board of Tisbury Waterways, Department of Public Works, and Spring Building Preservation Committee while also participating in the town vision workshops. Wortman has been an advocate for the Museum purchasing and restoring the Marine Hospital from the very beginning and has served on the MVM Board and building committees throughout the process. He has also served on the Board of Featherstone Center for the Arts and chaired the Board of MVTV. Wortman presented an exhibit of his drone photography at the MV Playhouse and will present another at the MV Film Center this summer. He lent his technology and camera skills during the Gay Head Lighthouse move documenting the process with drone and time lapse photography. Wortman, along with his wife Marilyn, also welcome students from Camp Jabberwocky to their house annually for a summer dinner.

The Committee on Directors presents the following slate for election to the Board of Directors:

#### ***Farewell and thanks to:***

Robert S. Blacklow  
Dale Garth  
Phoebe Lewis  
Calvin Linnemann  
Mark Alan Lovewell  
June Manning  
Christopher Morse  
Denys Wortman

#### ***Class of 2021:***

#### ***Candidates up for election for first full term:***

Marcia Mulford Cini  
S. Fain Hackney  
David Lewis  
Jim Newman  
James B. Richardson, III  
Elizabeth Hawes Weinstock

#### ***Candidates up for election for second full term:***

Barbara Alleyne  
Stever Aubrey  
Deirdre Frank  
Peter Gearhart

*Under the By-Laws of the MV Museum, officers will be elected at the next meeting of the Board of Directors on August 22, 2018.*

## 2018 Board Members Up For First Term Election

### **Marcia Mulford Cini**

Marcia Mulford Cini, a resident of Martha's Vineyard for almost two decades, leads an active civil law practice with offices in Edgartown and Vineyard Haven, specializing in real estate, zoning, affordable housing, historic property preservation and nonprofit organizations. She has served two terms on the Martha's Vineyard Commission, spent a decade on the West Tisbury Historic District Commission, and has been a selectmen's appointee to the Tisbury Community Preservation Committee since its inception. She holds a Master of Arts in Preservation Studies and Juris Doctor degrees from Boston University.

### **S. Fain Hackney**

S. Fain Hackney is a managing director of Reynolds, Rappaport, Kaplan & Hackney, LLC and has more than two decades of experience in the areas of real estate law, commercial finance and corporate law. Since moving to the Vineyard his practice has focused on residential and commercial real estate and commercial lending. He is currently a member of the Board of YMCA of Martha's Vineyard, and previously served on the Martha's Vineyard Community Services Board and on the Board of Directors for the Martha's Vineyard Cerebral Palsy Camp, more commonly referred to as Camp Jabberwocky. Mr. Hackney is a Corporator for Martha's Vineyard Savings Bank and was the past President of the Dukes County Bar Association.

## Martha's Vineyard Medal

As the premier storyteller of the history, arts, and culture of Martha's Vineyard, the Martha's Vineyard Museum created the Martha's Vineyard Medal in 2009. The Medal is awarded to leaders in the community to recognize their outstanding commitment to preserving the history, arts, and culture of Martha's Vineyard. Recipients demonstrate leadership on Martha's Vineyard in at least one of the following areas:

- Historic preservation
- Fine and performing arts
- Literature
- Community activism
- Education

## 2016 Martha's Vineyard Medal Recipients

### **Ann Smith**

Presented by Janis Smith-Gomez

Ann Smith is the Executive Director of Featherstone Center for the Arts, the year-round arts center providing gallery shows, art classes, and workshops for youth and adults in all media. She has held the position for almost eight years serving as assistant to the director (Smith's late mother Francine Kelly) for three and a half years before that. Under Smith's leadership, Featherstone was able to construct a new art barn and pottery studio expanding their Oak Bluffs campus as part of a \$6M capital campaign. She serves on the Board of the New England Foundation for the Arts and is the chair of the Arts Martha's Vineyard steering committee, the Island's arts and culture collaborative organization. Smith is a long-time advocate for public art funding as well as supporting the arts in underserved and rural communities.

**David Lewis**

David holds a masters degree in History Museum Studies from the State University of New York, and has served as a museum educator, researcher, curator, and exhibit designer for numerous museum projects. David is a recognized expert in American firefighting history, and is frequently requested as a speaker, guest researcher, and historian. He has worked on countless firefighting history books, and consulted and/or curated dozens of firefighting history exhibits at museums across the United States. David was first appointed Curator of the Aurora Regional Fire Museum in 1989 and has played an active role in the ongoing preservation and restoration of Aurora's old Central Fire Station ever since. He was appointed an honorary member of the Aurora Fire Department in 2006, and also serves as the department's historian/photographer. He was a founding member of the Cultural Creatives who planned and implemented the Aurora ArtWalks. Currently he serves on the board of directors for the Aurora Cultural Creatives and the Aurora Public Library Foundation.

**Jim Newman**

Jim Newman is an educator, teaching in Newark schools for over 30 years and serving as an elected member of the Berkeley Heights, New Jersey Board of Education from 1985 to 1998. He also acted as a director and consultant for Maine Teen Camp and Camp Hidden Valley in Maine. He received his masters in Education from Kean College in New Jersey after service in the Peace Corps as a teacher in Liberia. Newman is currently in his third term on the Aquinnah board of selectmen, and was previously a member of the Board of Martha's Vineyard Charter School and a chair on the Aquinnah Finance Committee.

**James B. Richardson, III**

James B. Richardson III, grew up in Longmeadow, MA and received his doctorate in Anthropology from the University of Illinois. His archaeological research includes Peru and Martha's Vineyard with a focus on maritime adaptation and climate change. He is Curator Emeritus of Anthropology, Carnegie Museum of Natural History and Professor Emeritus of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh. He directed the development of the Egypt, Inuit and American Indian halls at the Carnegie and was chair of both anthropology departments, interim director of Carnegie Museum and is on board or committees of the Heinz History Center and Peabody Museum, Andover.

**Elizabeth Hawes Weinstock**

Betsy Weinstock is an author of biography, journalism and creative nonfiction. She writes under her maiden name, Elizabeth Hawes. Weinstock grew up in the Midwest and moved New York after graduating from Mount Holyoke and study and teaching in France. Her most recent book, *Camus, A Romance*, is a biography/memoire of the Nobel Prize-winning French-Algerian writer. A former staff member of The New Yorker, Elizabeth has contributed Talk of the Town and Reporter pieces to that magazine, and essays and reviews to The New York Times Magazine and Book Review, The Nation, Vogue, and numerous other publications. Weinstock served on the summer board of the Chilmark Community Center for many years, and for nearly two decades she ran the center's Thursday night lecture series. Weinstock is married with three children and resides in New York City and Chilmark on Martha's Vineyard.