

# Oysterponds Historical Society

## Annual Membership Meeting

*The Oysterponds Historical Society  
celebrates and shares*

*North Fork culture and heritage through  
education, exhibitions, and scholarship and by  
collecting, preserving, and interpreting the  
history of Orient and the East Marion community,  
and its place in national history.*

November 4, 2017

# Thank you for a great year!



- ✓ Best membership numbers in 8 years
- ✓ Record-breaking events fundraising
- ✓ More than 1000 visitors for exhibitions from 31 states and 8 countries
- ✓ More than 2000 visitors for educational programs and community events
- ✓ More than 100 volunteers

# Events: Old Print Shop and Houseman Dinner



Old Print Shop net \$2,250; Houseman net \$12,100

A flyer for an event. At the top, the text 'A night on the town' is written in a cursive font. Below this, it says 'OYSTERPONDS HISTORICAL SOCIETY REQUESTS THAT YOU SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL OHS MEMBERS' DINNER OYSTERPONDS GOES TO'. The word 'HOUSEMAN' is written in a large, decorative, blackletter-style font. To the left of 'HOUSEMAN' is a circular illustration of a fish with a human-like face. To the right is an illustration of a cocktail glass and a bottle. Below the illustrations, the text reads 'May 2nd (new date) 6 TO 9 PM COCKTAILS &amp; DINNER'. At the bottom, it says 'HOUSEMAN RESTAURANT 508 GREENWICH STREET NYC, NEW YORK'. At the very bottom, it provides contact information: 'FOR MORE INFO: OFFICE@OHSNY.ORG TICKETS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS ONLY'. A vertical blue bar runs through the center of the flyer.



# Events: North Fork Fresh



Great party! 300 guests, 50 volunteers, event net \$17,300



# Events: Summer Benefit



Amazing success! 410 guests, event net \$102,722!



# *Advancing Our Mission*





# Heritage Day





# Oysterponds Fall Festival





# Exhibitions: Village House Furnishing Complete





# 2017 Exhibitions



Janet T. Swanson Gallery: *A Family Album*





# 2017 Exhibitions



*Winter at Oysterponds, Entertainment, Lighting*





# 2017 Exhibitions



300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First Meeting House in Orient,  
1980s: *The Decade We Almost Lost Orient*, William Steeple Davis in NYC





# Panel Discussions: *Orient in the 1980s;* *OHS Tech Talk: Real Donuts, Virtual Ideas*



Trying out Virtual Reality at Oysterponds with Ed Manning

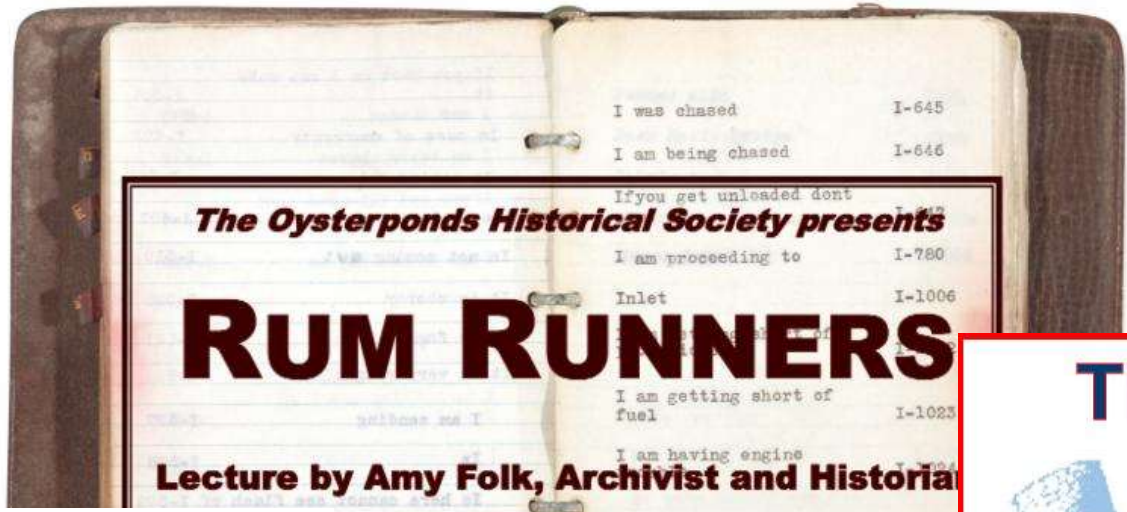


Oysterponds Historical Society Presents

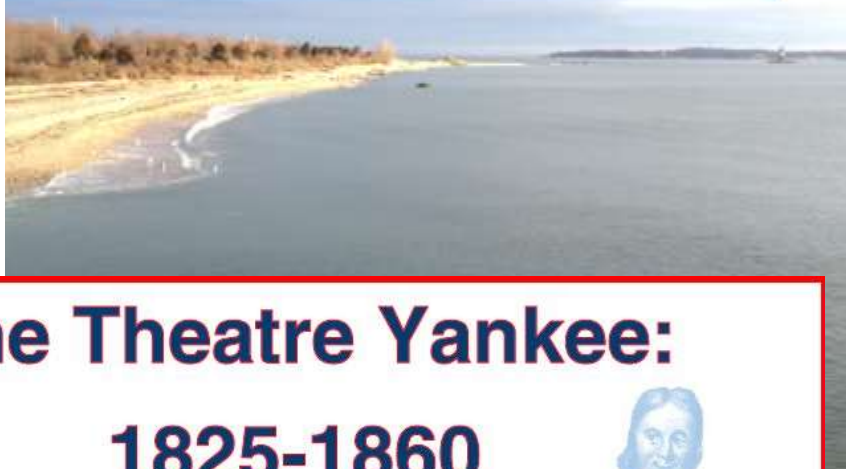
# Archaeology and Historic Preservation on Long Island

Lectured by  
Dr. Lucinda Hemmick of  
and Dr. Joel K  
Bring your own art  
Saturday, April 1st  
Poquatuck

For more information,  
contact OHS at (631) 323-2480 or of



*The Oysterponds Historical Society presents*  
**THE HISTORY OF PLUM ISLAND**  
Lecture by Amy Folk, Archivist and Historian  
Saturday, February 25, 4 pm  
Old Point Schoolhouse, Village Lane, Orient



**Saturday, June 10, 10am**  
**quatuck Hall, Village Lane, Orient**



The Oysterponds Historical Society presents  
**A Conservation Primer:  
Caring for Historic Furniture**  
*OHS Connects! Webinar and Discussion Series*  
Saturday, April 1, 10am  
Old Point Schoolhouse, Village Lane, Orient


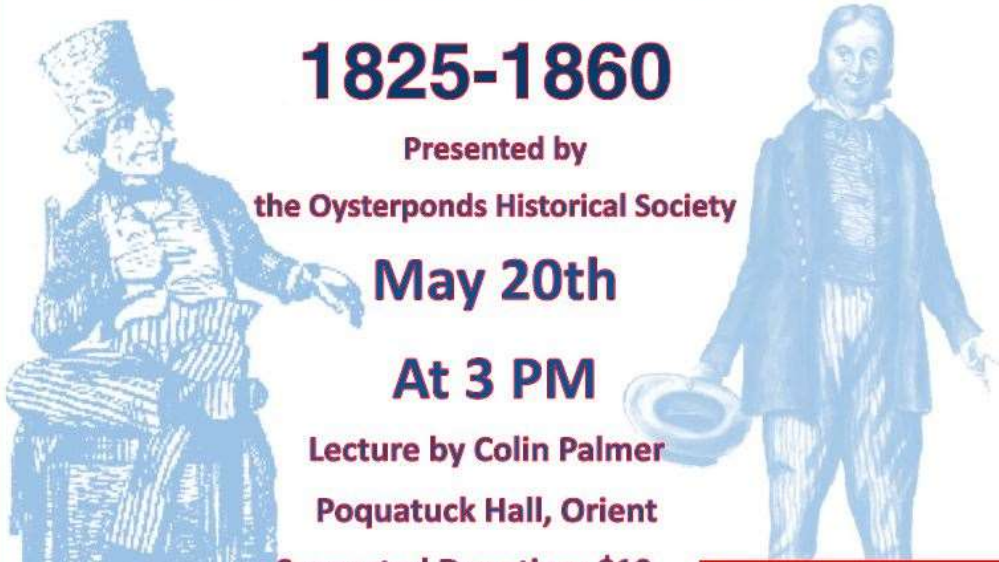


*Do you have historic furniture in your collection?  
What is the best way to take care and preserve  
your furniture pieces?*

Conservator Tad Fallon will address small museum collections and the Do's and Don'ts of furniture care. The role of the furniture conservator in the care and conservation of historic furniture and wooden artifacts will be considered. How can a furniture conservator help you to take better care of your collection? Topics will include how furniture conservators examine objects, what they look for, and how they formulate intervention strategies. Tips on surface examination techniques, deciphering patina and identifying past interventions will be discussed. Wood identification basics will be outlined, with an overview of techniques and tips on taking samples.

**The Theatre Yankee:**  
**1825-1860**  
Presented by  
the Oysterponds Historical Society  
**May 20th**  
**At 3 PM**  
Lecture by Colin Palmer  
Poquatuck Hall, Orient  
Suggested Donation: \$10

For more information,  
contact OHS at (631) 323-2480 or office@ohsny.org





# Art Classes



Drawing with Anne Sherwood Pundyk; Paper Marbling with Amy Worth



# Children's Programs





# Saturday Makers Markets and Artisan Demonstrations





# Old Point Schoolhouse Restoration Complete!





# Major New Collections Acquisitions

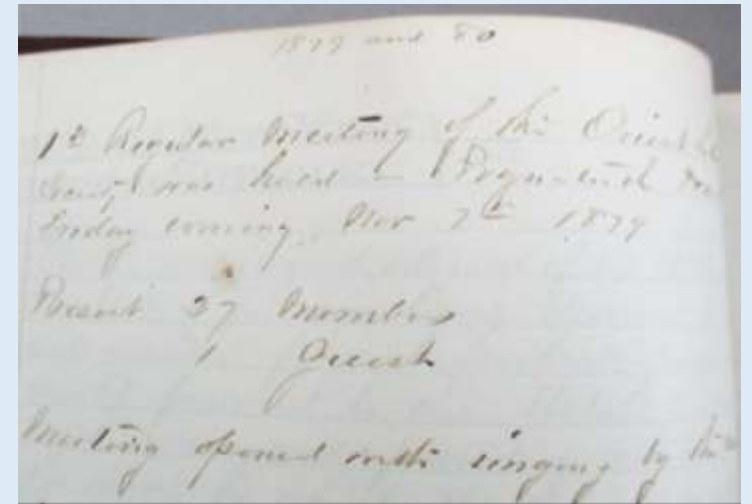
- Paintings by Nelson Chapman (OHS President 1944) of War of 1812 scenes. Gift of Jess Cullen.
- Portrait of Joanna Conklin Gardiner by Abraham G. D. Tuthill, ca. 1799. Purchased with donor funds.
- American pressed glass in the “New England Pineapple” pattern and English transferware for Village House. Gift of Charles Dean.





# Major New Collections Acquisitions

- Orient Literary Society Minute Book (1870s-1890s). Gift of Diana Whitsit.
- Woven Coverlet made for Caroline Terry, 1843. Gift of Priscilla Bull.
- Additional excellent quilts with Oysterponds provenience.
- Sailor's painted and decorated Sea Chest from Orient. Gift of Doug and Karin Constant.





# Capacity Building

- Colin Palmer joined staff as membership associate
- Developed robust membership and constituent database
- Succession plan developed by nominating committee to establish process and priorities for leadership development



The screenshot shows a CRM software interface with a list of members. The main window displays a table with columns for Name, Type, Status, and Date. A pop-up window shows detailed information for a specific member, including contact details, biographical information, and a list of activities.

Name	Type	Status	Date
Elizabeth David	Individual	Active	10/1/2014
John Smith	Individual	Active	10/1/2014
Jane Doe	Individual	Active	10/1/2014
James Brown	Individual	Active	10/1/2014
George Washington	Individual	Active	10/1/2014
Thomas Jefferson	Individual	Active	10/1/2014
Abraham Lincoln	Individual	Active	10/1/2014
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**Member Information**

Name: Elizabeth David  
Type: Individual  
Status: Active  
Date: 10/1/2014

**Biographical Information**

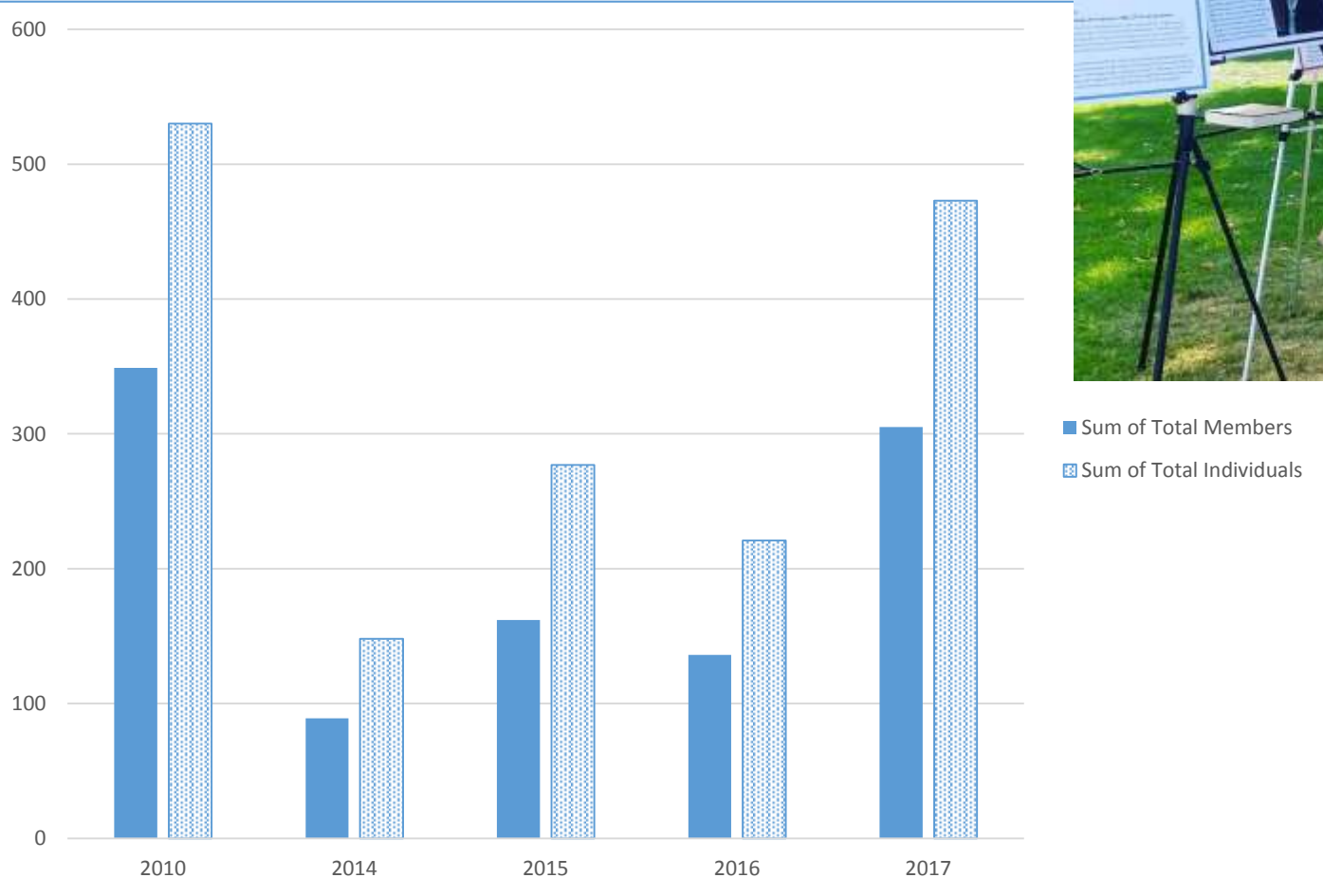
Date of Birth: 10/1/1962  
Political Party: No  
Family with Children: No  
Student: No  
Author: No  
Education: Princeton University (B.A. and Anthropology, 2001); University of Wisconsin (Ph.D. Anthropology, 2011)  
Interests and Skills: Reading, gardening, volunteering, Native American history and

**Activities**

Activity	Start Date	End Date
Board Member	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Committee Chair	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Event Organizer	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Guest Speaker	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Host	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Member	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Newsletter Editor	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Program Director	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Public Affairs	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Research Fellow	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Secretary	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Staff Officer	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Trustee	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Volunteer	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Workshop Facilitator	10/1/2014	10/1/2015
Workshop Participant	10/1/2014	10/1/2015



# Membership: Strongest since 2010



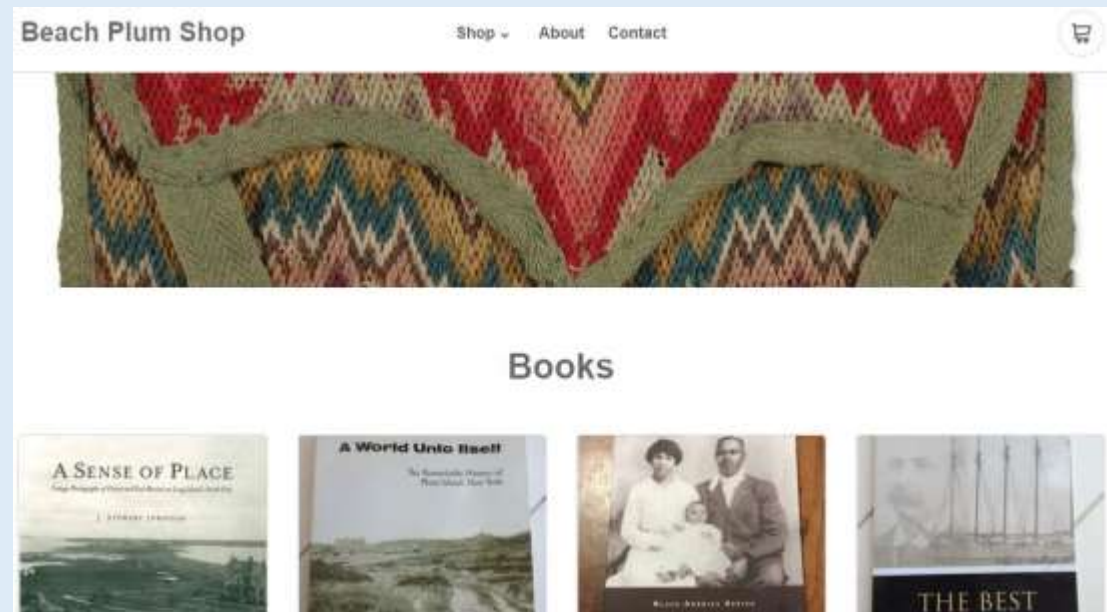
Colin Palmer, Membership Associate,  
at East End Maritime Festival

*2017: 307 Memberships, 475 Individuals*



# Administrative Improvements

- Operations calendar in place
- Participating in community calendar (thank you OA and Douglas!)
- Improved financial and bookkeeping procedures
- Policy updates
- Event planning procedures
- Online shopping





# Orient Methodist Church





# Looking Ahead

- Goals
  - Campus Plan
    - Safe and appropriate housing for collection
    - Building uses and enhancements
  - Enhanced Marketing and Communications
    - Attract More Visitors and Program Participation
    - Continued Membership Growth
  - Raise Funds for Endowment and Operations
    - Grants
    - Development
  - Update Strategic Plan
  - Program Development

# 2018 Programs Preview

- Program theme: *Farm to Table*
- Planning now for lectures, panel discussions, food demos, art classes, movie nights, and possible tasting event!
- Look for movie nights in early 2018: Hundred Foot Journey, Big Night, Julie and Julia
- Lectures and panels: Hallock Farm history, panel with local farmers, historical gastronomy



# Thank you to our 2017 Trustees!

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>First Term</u></b>	<b><u>Second Term</u></b>
EJ Camp	2016-2017	[2018-2020]
Ann Ffolliott	2017	[2018-2020]
Angela Meredith-Jones	2017	[2018-2020]
Ellen Zimmerman	2017	[2018-2020]
Gary Parker	2012-2014	2015-2017
Jeri Woodhouse	2012-2014	2015-2017
Lucy Barnes	2016-2017	
Christine Churchill	2016-2018	
Karin Constant	2016-2018	
Sara Garretson	2016-2018	
Leslie Koch	2018 (replacing Pat Caffery 2016-2018)	
Janet Markarian	2016-2018	
Edward Caufield	2013-2015	2016-2018
Darien Leung	2013-2015	2016-2018
James Harris	2014-2016	2017-2019
Diana Whitsit	2014-2016	2017-2019

# Election Results

- 2018 Trustee Slate approved unanimously – welcome new trustees, welcome back returning trustees!
- 2018 Trustee Nominees:
  - EJ Camp, 2018-2020 (second term)
  - Ann ffolliott, 2018-2020 (second term)
  - Allison Forstmann, 2018-2019 (abbreviated first term)
  - Angela Meredith-Jones, 2018-2020 (second term)
  - Stephen Rotella, 2018-2020 (first term)
  - Sandra Saiegh, 2018-2019 (abbreviated first term)
  - Howard Shinker, 2018-2019 (abbreviated first term)
  - Ellen Zimmerman, 2018-2020 (second term)



# SO Many People to Thank ...

*Docents:* Sarah Olmstead, our amazing volunteer coordinator, is first on our thank you list every year. Putting in the most docent hours by far (99!) was Diana Whitsit whose commitment to OHS is outstanding. We also greatly appreciate Lynne Washburn, Eva Lucatuorto, and Anne Hopkins, who each topped 30 hours. Terry Werden, Jack McArthur, Frances McArthur, Kathy McLinsky, Jan Rose, and Carol Morton all put in more than 20 hours as docents (Jan and Terry, as well as others, were also busy with the education committee and other roles as volunteers!) A big thank you as well to Cathy Matthews, Kathy McCabe, Priscilla Bull, Linda Sabatino, Madeline Papa, Ceil Sharman, Fred Sharman, Beatrice Ducrot, Lyle Tuthill, John Holzapfel, Joyce Holzapfel, Ruth Tuthill, Mary Ellen Stevens, Mella Frentzel, Ian Crowley, and Carol Constant, and to Bee Lalli, Grace Griffin, Sandy Allecia, Linda Hossenlopp, Kathy Jennings, John Henry, Gladys Milne, Sara Bellesheim, Ann Hulsmann, Keith Wheelock, Pat McNamara, Leslie Koch, Christopher Caines, and Stephanie Alford.

*Audit Committee:* Darien Leung, Ann ffolliott, Taz Smith

*Buildings and Grounds:* Dick Gillooly, Ted Webb, John Holzapfel, James Garretson, James Harris, Jim Latham

*Collections:* Ann ffolliott, Priscilla Bull, Janice Caufield, Doug Constant, Charles Dean, Janet Markarian, Diana Whitsit, Ellen Zimmerman

*Education:* Jan Rose, Terry Werden, Linda Sabatino, Sarah Olmstead, Ruth Tuthill, Maggie Kobalka, Grace Griffin, Eva Lacatuorto, Martha Geisinger, Cathy Matthews, Carol Tuthill, Ceil Sharman, Helen Lechmanski, Irene Webb, Linda Hossenlopp

*Finance:* Sara Garretson, Driane Benner, Ed Caufield, Alyssa Constant, Dick Gillooly, Michael Ventura, Roger Walz

*Fundraising:* Leslie Koch, E.J. Camp, Ann ffolliott, Angela Meredith-Jones

*Marketing and Communications:* EJ Camp, Patricia Cristol, Jane Friesen, LeAnn Nealz

*Membership:* E.J. Camp, Ann ffolliott

*Nominating:* Darien Leung, Mary Morgan, Jeri Woodhouse

*Programs:* Christine Churchill, Lynne Biggar, Jane Lear, Esther Rotella

*Tuesday Crew:* Joe Papa, Bob Hulsmann

*Special Thanks:* Catherine Chaudhuri, Sandra Saiegh, Nathalie Strauel, David Bull, Cate Shinker, Jimena Faerber, Don Rose, Maggie Hoag, Adrian Cockerill, Barry Bergdoll, Jeanne Markel, Alison Ventura, Michael Ventura, Libby Potter, Lindsay Pollock, Tracy Zwick, Ellen Mitchell, Bob Reeves, Aidan Crowley, Thomas Haley, our artists, our sponsors, and countless other volunteers!

*Staff:* Elsbeth Dowd, Amy Folk, Karen Haley, Harold House, Bill McNaught, Colin Palmer

