

FRIENDS OF THE PRUDENCE CRANDALL MUSEUM

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NO SMALL COURAGE

Our Symposium, "Lives and Legacies: Prudence Crandall's African-American Students" was a huge success! We had over 50 attendees!

Events such as this one mirror the *Friends* mission, which is to assist in the preservation and interpretation of the Prudence Crandall Museum.

Membership benefits include:

- Free Admission to the Museum
- 20% discount in the Museum Gift Shop
- Ancestry.com access at Museum ~ appointment necessary

Renew or join us today!



Robert P. Forbes, Jennifer Rycenga, Kazimiera Kozlowski, Julie Winch

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to thank everyone who made our Symposium the educationally rich program we had hoped it might be. It can be easy to think of the Museum as a place where history was made. It is also a place where history was initiated then spread across Connecticut, the tristate area and into Canada.

The courage it took Prudence to close her original academy and then reopen it solely for "Young Ladies and Misses of color," coupled with the determination her students had to obtain an education is something not to be taken lightly.

*"Enslave the liberty of but one human being
and the liberties of the world are out in peril."*

– William Lloyd Garrison

UPCOMING EVENTS

July & August~ Garden Clean-up 8:30 am

Every Wednesday the *Friends* welcome members and community volunteers, for a few hours of camaraderie and garden maintenance at the museum. No experience necessary. Bring your own tools and gardening gloves. Water provided.

July 11th ~ Silhouette Workshop 1:00- 3:00 pm

with Elizabeth O'Brien.

Learn the history, art and techniques of early American silhouette portraiture by making 3 silhouettes using early techniques. For Ages 12 and Up. Requires no previous experience, only the ability to cut with scissors. **Cost: \$30 per person includes all supplies and museum admission. Pre-registration required as space is limited.**



Professor Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University, speaking during the Symposium

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FRIENDS RECEIVE GRANT

Our Annual Music at Twilight concert on the lawn of the Museum, August 1st from 6:00-8:00 pm, is being sponsored in part this year by a grant from the Town of Canterbury.

We are welcoming the guitar duo of Judy Handler and Mark Levesque. www.judyandmark.com

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, family, friends and enjoy an evening of music on the lawn. The *Friends* will be selling refreshments with all proceeds and donations supporting Museum programs.

Handicapped parking available. Service animals only please. Rain location: Canterbury Community Center.

CURATORS REPORT

The Museum has hosted more than 400 visitors since opening for the 2015 season~including school children from Plainfield, Moosup and New Haven, CT, and groups from West Haven, Ct~ along with tourists from as far away as Norway!

Keep in mind that the Museum is again participating in the national Blue Star Museum Program, offering free admission to Active Duty Military (with ID) and their families! We're also offering Free admission to the residents of Griswold, CT (with ID) in celebration of the town's Bicentennial Year. Both discount programs will run through Labor Day.

Museum hours:

Wednesday ~ Sunday 10:00 am- 4:00 pm

Volunteer Opportunities:

To find out more about the Museum's Docent and Jr. Docent Training Programs, please call the museum at 860-546-7800 or crandall.museum@ct.gov

"Lives and Legacies" Symposium Photo Highlights



Professor Julie Winch, UMass Boston, speaking during the Symposium



Junior Docents and Symposium attendees



Symposium attendees



Sophie Kozlowski, Ray Coombs, Sr., and Nancy Coombs

Annual Membership:

- \$20 Individual**
Free museum admission.
- \$35 Family/Grandparent**
Free museum admission for 2 adults and 2 children.
- \$100 Sustainer**
Free museum admission for 4 adults.
- \$250 Associate**
Free museum admission for 4 adults.
Steinhagen mug or plate.
- \$1000 Lifetime Member**
Free museum admission for 4 adults
Free admission for all events, plus
Steinhagen mug or plate.

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