

Our Objectives:

- To sponsor special events at The Museum ~ i.e. The "No Small Courage" lecture Series, Concerts, seasonal family programs;
- To maintain an informative website of *Friends* history and events;
- To create a membership base for Museum advocacy;
- Funds raised by the organization are used for public programs, research, and to purchase and help preserve the Museum collections.

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The Prudence Crandall Museum is administered by the State of Connecticut, Historic Preservation Office, Department of Economic and Community

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View from the upstairs Palladian window

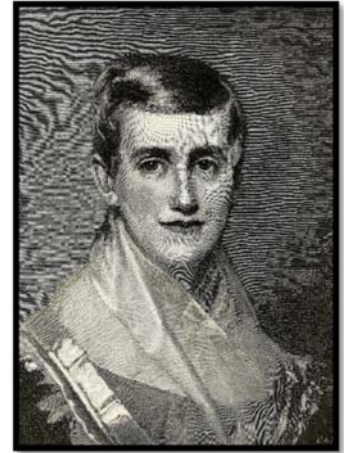
Did you Know...

- The Museum is site of the first private academy for African-American young women in the nation?
- The Museum is on the Connecticut Freedom Trail and the Women's Heritage Trail?
- The Museum is a National Historic Landmark?

**The Museum is open
Wednesday– Sunday
10:00 am—4:00 pm
May through October
Last ticket sold at 3:30 pm**

**Other times by appointment:
Contact 860-546-7800
crandall.museum@ct.gov**

Prudence Crandall



CT State Heroine



**The Prudence Crandall Museum
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Sarah Harris

was born in
Norwich, CT
Connecticut in 1812.

She died in North
Kingston, Rhode
Island in 1878.

Prudence Crandall
was born in Hopkinton,
Rhode Island in 1803.

She died in Elk Falls,
Kansas, in 1890.



Prudence Crandall opened a private Academy in the fall of 1831 for daughters of local wealthy white families. In the fall of 1832, Sarah Harris, a young black woman, requested to become a student at the school. After Prudence allowed Sarah to join the student body, she began to lose support from the white community. Rather than dismiss Sarah, she made the decision that on April 1, 1833 she would reopen the school as one exclusively for African-American young women.

More than 20 African-American young women, ranging in age from 9 to 22, attended the Academy. They came from Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut. During the school's 17 months of operation, Crandall and her students endured court trials and violence. After an angry mob attacked the school on the night of Sept. 9, 1834, Prudence Crandall decided that for the safety of her students she had to close the Academy.

The Museum stands as a memorial to the courage and determination of the women and men, both black and white, who risked everything to take a stand against racism, sexism and injustice.

JOIN US...

The mission of Friends of the Prudence Crandall Museum, Inc. is to assist in the preservation and interpretation of the Prudence Crandall Museum, to encourage and promote visitation, and to enhance the public's appreciation of this truly unique landmark.

Partnership benefits include ~

- Free Admission to the Museum
- 20% discount in the Museum Gift Shop
- Friends newsletters
- Ancestry.com access * Museum hours

Together we can ensure that this important site is preserved for future generations.

To support Friends of the Prudence Crandall Museum, Inc. 501(c) (3), please make checks payable to, and mail to:

**Friends of the
Prudence Crandall Museum Inc.
P.O. Box 34 / Canterbury, CT 06331**

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Annual Partnership Categories:

- \$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 handcrafted mug or plate.
- \$1000 Lifetime**
Free museum admission for 4 adults;
Free admission to all events;
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