



Worcester Historical Museum 2018 Fall Appeal

No matter how you describe **Worcester Historical Museum**, we are the unique custodians of Worcester's history...past, present and future.

It has been an exciting year at the Museum...thanks to the generous support of our members and friends.

January marked the beginning of making valentines to send to veterans in time for Valentine's Day. We had our first **FREE month in February** and enjoyed over 500 new visitors. Free admission again for **Patriots Day** in April for all to see John Hancock's trunk and we are always happy to entertain **Moms and Grandmothers** for free in May. Ditto for **Dads and Granddads** in June. We were chosen to be part of the statewide **ArtWeek** program with over 500 other cultural organizations. At the Mansion, we had a fun Yard Sale and celebrated July 4th like it was **1776** with historical hoops, horseshoes and apple pie.

We are fortunate to be part of **Free Fun Friday** by the Highland Street Foundation in August. Then it was full steam ahead for the fall with the **Harvey Ball** and **World Smile Day**.

Rentals such as at the 4th Wall Street Stage Company, Worcester Women's History Project, along with the LGBTQ+, Latino History Project of Worcester, Worcester

Jewish History Discovery Days for upcoming exhibits bring in new and diverse audiences.

Exhibits are always changing. This past year, guests enjoyed gorgeous quilts, prints and a reading by Worcester novelist Jarrett Krosoczka, and endearing wedding photos from days of long ago.

Research has taken on new life with the onset of Digital Worcester and the resources in our Library. You can also see us in the community...at stART, Friends of Hope Cemetery, POW! WOW!, the Greendale Men's Club, and so more.

Grant funding has been especially rewarding this year with funding sources taking a new and exciting look at our dynamic and critical mission...and Expedia named WHM "a hidden gem" this past summer!

We wind down the calendar year with a November exhibit opening of *Water Street—35th Anniversary—World Within a World* and special holiday programs at WHM and beautiful **Candlelight Tours** at the Mansion.

*Please join us in this adventure with an **Annual Fund gift** to enable us to continue to be the custodians of Worcester's history...from yesterday to tomorrow.*

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Worcester Historical Museum, 2018 Fall Appeal, 30 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609.

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