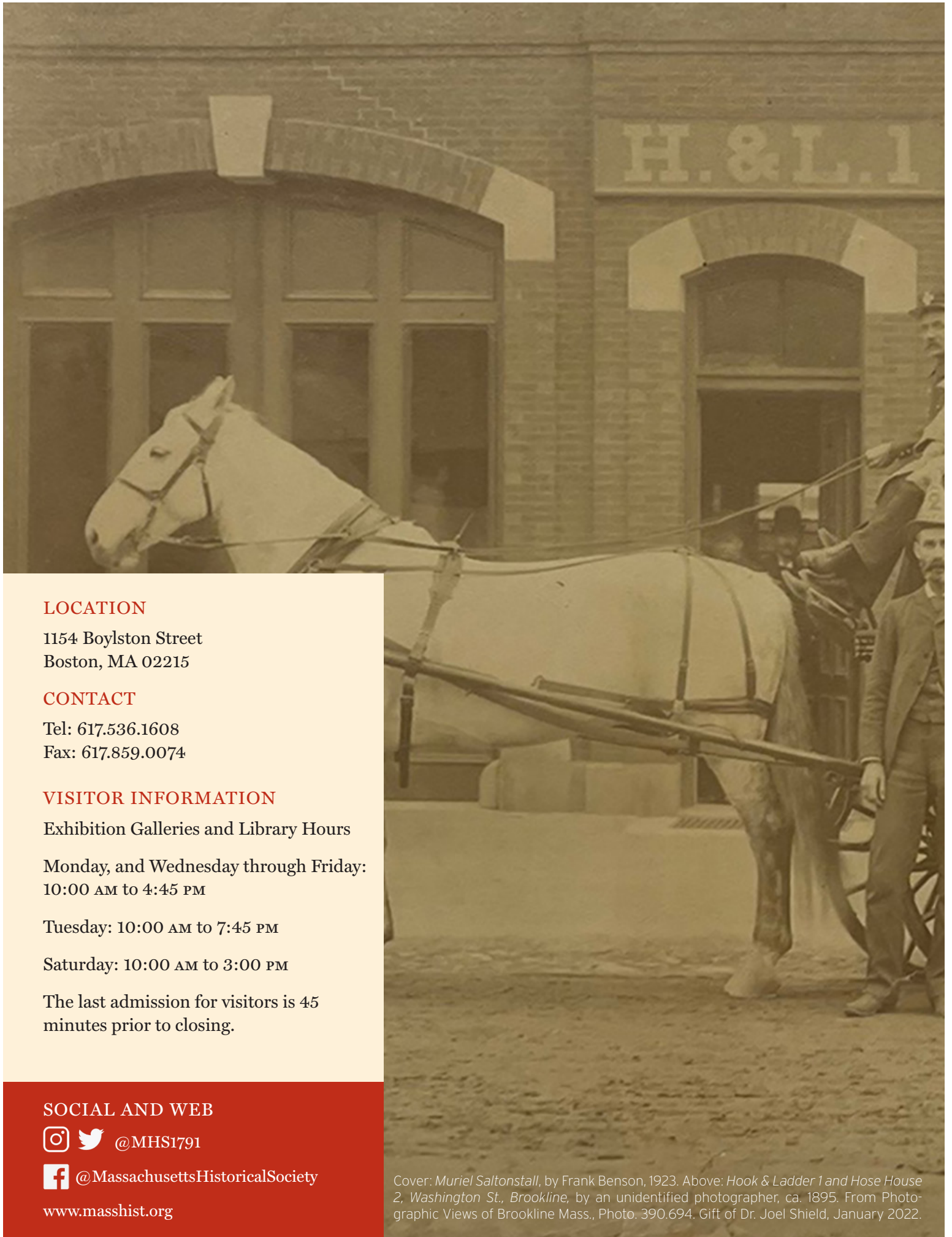




# Annual Report

July 2021-June 2022

Massachusetts  
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Cover: *Muriel Saltonstall*, by Frank Benson, 1923. Above: *Hook & Ladder 1 and Hose House 2, Washington St., Brookline*, by an unidentified photographer, ca. 1895. From *Photographic Views of Brookline Mass.*, Photo. 390.694. Gift of Dr. Joel Shield, January 2022.

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*Our mission is to promote understanding of the history of Massachusetts and the nation by collecting and communicating materials and resources that foster historical knowledge.*

# FY 2022 BY THE NUMBERS

JULY 1, 2021, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022

**112** LINEAR FEET OF MANUSCRIPT MATERIAL PROCESSED *(DURING PARTIAL CLOSURE)*

**210** DAYS MHS READING ROOM OPEN *(JULY 1, 2021, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022)*

**39** FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED *(INCLUDING MHS-NEH LONG-TERM, MHS SHORT-TERM, TEACHER, AND STUDENT)*

**4,693** COLLECTION ITEMS CIRCULATED *(DOES NOT INCLUDE SELF-SERVICE MATERIALS, MICRO-FILMED COLLECTIONS, OR USE OF COLLECTION ITEMS BY MHS STAFF)*

**12,739** ATTENDEES *(AT 61 PROGRAMS, 30 SEMINARS, AND 3 SPECIAL EVENTS)*

**6** CONTINENTS REACHED BY OUR VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING

**1,490** RESEARCH VISITS *(441 INDIVIDUAL RESEARCHERS FROM 19 STATES AND 4 COUNTRIES OUTSIDE THE US)*

**54,479** PAGES OF REFERENCE- QUALITY REPRODUCTIONS DELIVERED *(PRE-COVID-19, WE PRODUCED AN AVERAGE OF 7,500 PAGES PER YEAR)*

**3,500+** STUDENTS FROM 51 SCHOOLS PARTICIPATED IN NATIONAL HISTORY DAY IN MASSACHUSETTS

# Year in Review

## Reaching out and providing access

This year had its highs—we fully reopened to researchers and the public—and lows—we lost some close friends. Through it all, and with great thanks to the generosity and friendship from people like you, the MHS continues to thrive.

Though 1154 Boylston Street remained closed to the larger public at the start of the fiscal year, we opened our doors to researchers in September, began hybrid programming in October, and installed an exhibition for the public to explore in December. Throughout the reopening process, our staff remained hard at work, committed to providing access, sharing history, and making the MHS welcoming to all.

As you read through this report, we hope the achievements, productivity, and dedication of our staff shine through with abundance. Confronted with an unpredictable year, we

- Reached audiences from 6 continents through our programming on myriad topics.
- Created an astonishing 54,479 pages of reproductions.
- Were open to in-person researchers for 210 days.
- Published *Fashioning the New England Family*.
- Held a record-breaking *Making History Gala* with Heather Cox Richardson in conversation with GBH's Jared Bowen.

We lost several of our greatest champions and supporters this year. In March, we learned of the passing of Edward C. (Ned) Johnson III. Ned was a member of the MHS for more than 50 years and a member of the Council (now Board of Trustees) in the 1970s. His love of the Society was evident in his care and devotion over the years. We are grateful for his many contributions and remember him fondly.

An elected Honorary Fellow since 1983, David McCullough shared his love of history and education at many MHS events through the years, was a lovely presence while doing research, and had a gracious spirit. We were lucky to have David speak on numerous occasions including at several teacher workshops. He spoke to an overflowing Ellis Hall about his Truman book. He was our Cocktails with Clío speaker in 2011, our Kennedy Medal award recipient in 2014, our featured guest at *An Evening with David McCullough* in 2015, and our Making History Gala speaker in 2019.

MHS Trustee Emeritus Frederick G. Pfannenstiehl is dearly missed by everyone who knew him. A loyal friend and MHS supporter for many years, Fred served on the Board of Trustees, the Advisory Council, and multiple committees including Governance, Finance, Audit, Development, Fellows, and Programs.

Though saddened by these losses, we remember the enthusiasm, friendship, and support they offered to the Society over the years. It is the steadfast support of friends such as these as well as people like you that propels us forward. Thank you for your continued involvement with the MHS. Without you, our work would not be possible.



R. Newcomb Stillwell  
Chair, Board of Trustees



Catherine Allgor  
President

# Impact

# Providing Access

The MHS provides free access to a rich trove of primary sources that are critical to developing an informed understanding of the nation. We encourage everyone to examine our primary source materials, make their own observations and interpretations, and share their ideas among many audiences. As part of its mission to provide access, in FY2022, we launched a podcast, unveiled a redesigned website, and welcomed researchers back into the building.

## The Object of History Podcast Launched

Launched in October 2021, *The Object of History* connects people to the stories behind our extraordinary collections. Through conversations with staff experts and scholars, the podcast aims to provide insider access to our holdings, incite conversation, and offer a richer understanding of the past. Season one looked at the relics of Nora Saltonstall,

a petition for Rebecca Nurse, a casket of hair, the Lusitania Medal, and the lost sword of the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, among others.



## MHS Website Makeover

In January 2021, we kicked off a project to give our website a fresh new look. Working with M4 Interactive, a website design and development agency, we analyzed our existing site and content management system, discussed new ways to pres-



Ellis Hall at the Massachusetts Historical Society, photograph by Roberto Farren

ent subject matter, and went through multiple rounds of design development. In November 2021, we launched our revised site. A clean and modern design that conveys the who, what, and how of the MHS, the new pages follow current best practices in design and code to limit barriers of use. With a mix of education and entertainment, our new website aims to draw people in and motivate them to get involved.

### Open to Researchers

Throughout the year, we focused on providing researchers with a continuity of access to our collections despite limited availability of time in the library. The expanded reference and reproduction services we put in place during the shutdown were maintained to ensure we were supporting researchers who could not get an appointment or could not travel/visit. This included bulk rates and higher page count limits for reproduction orders and offering virtual reference services via live chat and Zoom, as well as traditional phone calls and e-mail.

While the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic kept our gallery spaces closed to visitors for the first half of FY2022, beginning in July we opened our reading room to our research fellows on an appointment basis. We then opened to the public in September with limited appointments to ensure appropriate distancing in the library. As the public health situation improved, we added appointment slots to the schedule. Demand for the reading room increased as well. We moved from 6 researchers per day in September up to 16 in June.

Reproductions—both images created by us as well as materials available on our website and in commercial databases—were the primary form of access for many researchers. Midway through the year, we had a quite a backlog of requests. In February 2022, we closed the library to the public for three weeks to catch-up on the backlog to ensure that researchers waiting on reproductions received timely service that was on par with researchers visiting in person.

Throughout the year, we created an astounding 54,479 pages of reference-quality reproductions. To put this in perspective, from FY2016 to FY2019 we reproduced 30,300 pages—24,000 fewer pages than FY 2022!

## Anne E. Bentley Gallery Unveiled

Celebrating the longtime service of MHS Curator of Art & Artifacts Emerita Anne E. Bentley, a gallery was named in her honor. Anne has worked closely with the artifacts, art, and numismatics in the MHS collection. “These are the objects that family members chose to save,” notes Anne. “Whether amusing, frivolous, practical, poignant—or simply beautiful—they add character and depth to our understanding of the personalities that live on in the family papers preserved in our archive.” Curated by Anne, her namesake gallery will showcase revolving installations of MHS art, artifacts, and numismatics.

*The gallery was made possible by Levin H. Campbell, Life Trustee, and Eleanor L. Campbell, Fellow.*



Top: Anne Bentley in the Anne E. Bentley gallery, fall 2022. Bottom: Gallery unveiling, fall 2021.

# DEI Update

## A Wide Range of Voices and Lived Experiences

The MHS staff, together with the Trustees, Advisors, and Honorary Fellows, have made a commitment to make the MHS more welcoming and inclusive in everything that we do. Throughout the year, we continued to examine and adjust our physical and virtual spaces, educate ourselves, expand our audiences, and forge new partnerships.

### Highlighting Underrepresented Communities

In the past year, the MHS has digitized more than 37,000 pages of primary source material documenting individuals and communities who are underrepresented in the historical record. We added the papers and photographs of Nathaniel Allen highlighting the diversity of the student body at his school in West Newton, as well as the records of the Boston Overseers of the Poor, the Indian Industries League, and the Association of Officers of the Mass. 55th Regiment (the second Black regiment raised in the North).

In addition to providing access to tens of thousands of pages of digitized content, a new web portal provides access to relevant exhibitions, digital features, study materials, subject guides to sources related to African Americans; Native Americans; economically disenfranchised people; and the history of sexuality, including LGBTQ+ topics. Learn more and explore these resources at [www.masshist.org/features/underrepresented](http://www.masshist.org/features/underrepresented).

### W. Dean Eastman Undergraduate Residency

Thanks to funding received in FY2022, the MHS was able to begin work on a pilot program for an undergraduate library residency. This program is essential as we work to try to diversify the profession. Participants will gain paid work experience in reader services, deepen their knowledge of public history as a career path, understand current working conditions and labor issues in the field, and use the lens of social justice to question all aspects of



Left to right: "Names of Persons in the Almshouse," 17 August – 27 September 1846, Boston Overseers of the Poor Records; students in front of the Allen School, ca. 1870, Nathaniel T. Allen photographs, photo #247.868; "Record of the first meeting of The Indian Industries League," 1898, Indian Industries League Records, volume 2; unidentified Black soldier, carte de visite, Association of Officers of the 55th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment, photo #59.4.



public history to integrate best practices for inclusion and justice in their daily work.

An advisory group helped guide and set the parameters of the program. In its inaugural year, there were 22 applicants and 2 residents were selected to work in the 2022–2023 academic year. Beginning in September 2022, the residents will complete a 9-month residency working at the MHS 2 days each week. The program will include readings in public history, field trips, work on subject guides, and experience in both the library and other departments at the MHS. Grateful for the funding provided to pilot this program, we hope that it will become a permanent part of the MHS.

### Building Relationships, Reaching Out

An active year of programming forged new relationships and amplified a variety of voices and lived experiences. In October 2021, we hosted Disability in the American Past. Through panel conversations, presentations, workshops, and discussion, this series introduced the field of disability history; investigated some major research areas in the field such as activism, material culture, medical history, technology, and citizenship; and provided a forum to examine new, emerging scholarship. Speakers from around the country participated in this multi-perspective examination of disability in the American past.

In March 2022, two years after Massachusetts first shut down in the face of COVID-19, we reflected on our different experiences, how we adapted, and what we learned in a series of programs. A physician and Massachusetts State Representative, funeral director, and K-12 educator joined us for the first program to look at frontline workers in the face of a prolonged pandemic. The next program focused on the difficulties experienced and opportunities realized by cultural institutions including the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; the New England Aquarium; and the MHS. The Massachusetts Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Director of the Center for Disaster Medicine, and an infectious disease doctor talked about the challenges they faced as well as the struggle to balance public health and economic impact in program three.

In FY2021, we hosted Confronting Racial Injustice, a free series developed by the Northeastern

University School of Law Criminal Justice Task Force. The series explores how enslavement and white supremacy shaped the history of Massachusetts and how they continue to shape its present.

In FY2022, we hosted two programs focused on Asian Americans in Boston. In April 2022, panelists discussed the story of Parcel C, Chinatown's success in fighting against institutional expansion and reclaiming this parcel for community use. In May 2022, we hosted a conversation about the history of racial violence against Asian Americans and the recent rise of Asian American voices.

In May 2022, we held a panel discussion looking at the 200 years since Boston was incorporated as a city. *Boston at 200: Where We Were, Where We Are, and Where We're Going* began with an overview of the small city recovering from the War of 1812. The discussion moved to Boston in 1922, a city at the zenith of its industrial growth but very much part of a country that was witnessing a wave of horrendous violence and racial discrimination. The program ended with Boston of today. With its first elected female mayor of color, the city is one of the most economically dynamic places in America but still struggles with severe inequities.

In June 2022, the leaders of the Smithsonian National Museum of American History, the New-York Historical Society, and the MHS took part in a conversation about the opportunities and challenges faced by institutions that are now looking to understand and bring forth lesser-known parts of their holdings, diversify their collections, and reinterpret their holdings to be more representative of the communities they serve.

In June 2022, we collaborated with The History Project on Hidden in Plain Sight, a two-part series looking at Queer history in Boston. In *Documenting Queer Stories in Archives*, panelists discussed unique challenges in researching Queer history, the methods they have used to navigate the archives, and how LGBTQ+ history gets written when the records are not enough. In *Remembering Queer Nightlife*, panelists discussed their memories of Queer nightlife in Boston as well as the ways artistic mediums have been used to bring these spaces back to life.

# Why the MHS?

## Meet Lee Campbell



*We spoke with MHS Trustee Levin (Lee) H. Campbell, Jr., about his involvement with the MHS, his thoughts on the importance of history, and why this is a great time to get to know the organization.*

### How did you become involved with the MHS?

Though I first visited the MHS in the mid-1980s for a research project while working at the USS Constitution Museum, it was not until the early 2000s that I began to learn a bit more about the organization. My interest grew from there.

*Lee was elected a Fellow in 2009 and he was in the 2010 inaugural class of the Advisory Council (formerly Council of Overseers). He was elected a Trustee in 2012 and has actively served on committees at the MHS including Collections, Development, and Marketing and Communications.*

### Do you have a favorite item in the collection?

The MHS has an overwhelming collection—there is so much that I have not yet seen. However, one item that fascinates me is the pen used by Abraham Lincoln to sign the Emancipation Proclamation. I learned of the pen as the Collections Committee debated whether it should be loaned to an exhibition in Moscow planned for 2011. What stuck with me

was the thought that someone consciously saved this item. I began to really think about what gets saved—or discarded—and why. It is no surprise that people save things but seeing what gets saved is interesting.

*The pen was on display in the exhibition The Tsar & The President, Alexander II & Abraham Lincoln: Liberator & Emancipator in 2011.*

*Lee has continued his family legacy of donating items to the MHS. He notes one in particular. I came across a notebook related to Nora Saltonstall—my great aunt who died in 1919, at age 24—that had been in my grandmother's possession. My grandmother—pictured on the cover of this report—and great-grandmother traveled to France in the 1920s to visit some of the places Nora had been while volunteering with the Red Cross during WWI. The notebook is a record of their travels.*

### Why is history important?

History is about people. I believe that understanding how and why people behaved as they did throughout our history has great value in today's world. Enter the MHS. While the MHS has many notable treasures, it also holds a lot of material from ordinary people who help to tell the stories from our past.

### What should readers know about the MHS?

The MHS is a world class archive that supports researchers, takes care of a huge collection of vital importance to the study and understanding of American history, and makes its holdings available. And it has been doing so for a very long time. The MHS has undergone a lot of positive change in the past decade. It is on a journey to become more relevant and outward facing for greater public good. I would say that it is a great time to get involved to help the MHS grow and evolve. Care and love are needed for the care of the collection as well as everything that the MHS does.

# BECOME A MEMBER

A tree stands strong due to its stable roots. Our Members are our roots keeping us secure and resilient.

Connected to history, our Members have access to an unparalleled collection, enriching events and exhibitions, special programming, and inclusion in the Annual Report. Members enjoy MEMBER WEEK each year as well as an invitation to the annual holiday party.

Invest in the study, preservation, and distribution of American history by becoming a Member. Join by making an unrestricted, fully tax-deductible donation of \$250 or more to the MHS Fund.

Join today at [www.masshist.org/support/mhsfund](http://www.masshist.org/support/mhsfund).



Questions?

E-mail [membership@masshist.org](mailto:membership@masshist.org), call 617-646-0551, or scan the QR code.



# New Acquisitions

The MHS acquired 128 linear feet of manuscript material in FY2022 through 138 gifts and 2 deposits including:

- Gifts**
- Nancy White Ahmadifar: *Addition to "Apocalypse Now: The Pandemic Journal"*
- Robert Alexander: "A Soldier's Journal. January 2, 1941 – January 28, 1946," unpublished World War II memoir by Arnold L. Segel, a Boston surgeon and a member of the Army Medical Corps
- Samuel S. Alexander Trust, through Arden Alexander, in memory of Charles Russell Peck and Helen Arden Peck: *Charles Russell account books*
- American Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts (deposit): *Additions to the ACLUM records*
- Dan and Peg Arguimbau: *Misc. documents*
- Victor Aronow: *Papers of Boston insurance broker Edward A. Gilman*
- Georgia Brady Barnhill
- Brian Barthold: *Scrapbook kept by (Berta) Faye Phipps while living in a Boston boarding house in Rutland Square, 1914–1915*
- Harriet Beale
- Anne E. Bentley
- Steve Berkowitz
- L. Blommaert
- Joseph Lee Boyle
- Bridgeport (Conn.) History Center
- Daniel J. Burge
- Barbara M. Canty
- Carrie A. Cargill: *Photographs depicting Allen H. Swartzell and colleagues at the Boston Herald Traveler/Record American newspapers*
- Daniel Casavant: *Misc. account books*
- Alison Clarke: *Transcriptions of correspondence between Timothy Pickering and his son John*
- Anna Clutterbuck-Cook
- Casey Craven
- Debra M. Crosier
- Sara T. Damiano
- Marian Mathison Desrosiers
- Peter Drummey
- M. J. Ebens
- Sarah Freiberg Ellison: "Life in the Time of Covid-19: A Journal"
- Robert P. Emlen: *Lithograph of the Derby House in Salem*
- Laurie B. Evans-Daly
- Fall River Historical Society
- Hannah Farber
- Lorien Foote
- Friday Evening Club: *Additions to the Friday Evening Club records*
- Alison Games
- Barry Girdler: *Civil War diary attributed to Charles Willard Hill during his service with the 5th Mass. Infantry Regiment*
- Pat Goodfriend
- Dennis Gould
- Elaine Granata
- Michael Grow
- Richard Hale: *Transcriptions of letters written by Paul Revere's daughter, Maria Revere Balestier, and two original letters from her and her husband, Joseph Balestier*
- Hamilton College Archives
- Stephen P., Peter C., Philip A., and David A. Hayden: *Walsh family papers, photographs, and artifacts*
- James Henderson
- Pamela S. Henrikson: *Letters from Edward Everett Hale to William P. Fowler and Susan (Smith) Fowler*
- James H. Herndon
- Nancy Heywood
- Historical Society of Harford County (Bel Air, Md.): *Anonymous woman's travel diary kept on car trips in Massachusetts, 1906*
- Arthur C. Hodges: *Addition to his diary, 2021*
- Eloise Weld Hodges
- Leo H. Hoffer
- Ellen Evert Hopman: "My personal plague diary, 2020–2021"
- Laura Humphrey, from the estate of Edward J. Bromberg: *22 panoramic photographs, mostly group portraits of clubs*
- Benjamin B. Johnson
- Susan Joy
- Jane Kendall
- Ruth E. (Brown) Kowal: *Additions to the Curtis-Tomlinson family papers*
- Allen W. Kratz
- Family of Thomas Lacey II and Ernesta Rueter Lacey: *Legal notes of quarterly sessions of the Mass. Inferior Court of Common Pleas for Suffolk County, attributed to John Adams, 1759–1762*
- George W. Lamb: *Engineering notes on Logan Airport recorded by Russell H. Lamb, 1946*
- Jeff Lantos
- Thomas N. Layton
- Wilhelmina Leigh
- Liz Loveland
- Lynchburg (Va.) Museum System
- Eleni Macrakis
- Frances MacIntyre
- Keith Maddy
- Charles Marchant
- Massachusetts Audubon Society (deposit): *Additions to the Mass Audubon Society records*
- James Matison: *Diaries of Henry Sumner Church and Eliza Emma (Barber) Church of Ashfield*
- Meghan McClafferty: *Harty family photo albums*
- Estate of M. Virginia Morrissey McDermott: *Papers of Virginia McDermott*
- Amy Whorf McGuiggan
- David Metcalfe
- Margo Miller: *Additions to her "Books of the House"*
- Eleanor Mire: *Diaries kept by Eleanor Shumway and Madelene Cowdrey, both of Newton*
- Robert D. Mussey, Jr.: *Research gathered for an intended biography of Richard Cranch*
- Richard Muzzy: *Scrapbooks compiled by Frederick E. Muzzy*
- Nashua (N.H.) Historical Society
- Sandra Neves: "Hope of Finding Answers," *an essay written during the COVID-19 pandemic*
- Andrew Noone
- Dael A. Norwood
- Lyle Nyberg
- Nancy Osgood on behalf of David and Christopher Osgood, in memory of William B. Osgood and in honor of the Osgood and Holyoke families: *Additions to the Osgood-Holyoke-Ward Batchelder family papers*
- Heidi Poser

Willard Sterne Randall  
 Kay Retzlaff  
 Christine Roberts  
 Beth Salerno  
 Alvin Schaut  
 Mark R. Schneider  
 Jaclyn N. Schultz  
 Robert B. Severy: *"The Luck of Eden-Hall. By J. H. Wiffen, Esq.," manuscript copy of the poem, and misc. photographs*  
 Joel D. Shield: *Photographs, postcards, printed ephemera, and artifacts from Brookline, Mass.*  
 Jay Silverstein: *Aranowitz and Silverstein family papers and photographs, including letters written by Hyman Aranowitz of Malden during the Great Depression*  
 Leonard Sipiora  
 Michelle C. Smith  
 Maxwell and Jo Solet: *Albumen photograph of the Church in Brattle Square, Boston*  
 Gerald Stalter  
 State Historical Society of Missouri  
 Estate of James R. Stevenson, through Amy Stanton and David Stevenson: *World War I papers, photographs, and artifacts of William G. Stevenson*  
 Claudia Stokes  
 James M. Storey: *Additions to the Storey family papers*  
 Margaret Strohm  
 Margaret A. Studier  
 Jonas Stundžia  
 William R. Sweeney: *Tickets from New England and English rail lines*  
 Paul Michael Taylor  
 Melissa A. Tayse  
 Frederic Thompson  
 Robin Brooks Tremblay: *Snapshot photographs of historic sites in Boston, ca. 1930s*  
 Cecelia Estrada Vaughan/iti kafi: *"2020 What a Year It Was Been," essay written during the COVID-19 pandemic*  
 Washington College Library: *Autograph album kept by Mary Ann Eaton (later Stimpson) of Charlestown*  
 Jordan T. Watkins  
 Crystal Lynn Webster  
 Fran Weisse: *Charles D. Bowman student compositions*  
 Jeffrey D. Wert  
 Betsy Garrett Widmer, in appreciation for Abigail Elisabeth Garrett and in memory of Elsie O. Sang: *Note from Abigail Adams to her niece, Lucy Greenleaf, March 9, 1806*  
 Dudley H. Willis  
 Brian C. Wilson  
 Paul Wolff, in memory of Eleanor Louise Davis Wolff: *Account books and diary kept by Francis Smith*

David Nelson Wren: *Receipt book kept during the American Revolution by Simon Larned, paymaster for the 3rd Continental Regiment (Mass.)*  
 Daryl Wunrow  
 Charles M. Wyzanski and Anita Wyzanski Robboy: *Additions to the papers of Judge Charles E. Wyzanski, Jr.*  
 Donald Yacovone  
 Carrie Yocum

#### Art and Artifacts

Christine Allen: Woman's linen shift belonging to Harriet Coffin Thom and other items  
 Anonymous: Woman's campaign watch, "Dukakis for President, [19]88," and political ephemera related to the campaign and Democratic nomination of Joe Biden for president in 2020  
 Emily Beals: Ivorytype portrait of Rev. Edmund Addison Beaman and painted photograph of his wife Sarah Vorhees (Parsons) Beaman, ca. 1860  
 Mary Berten Collection: *"Sewing Book. Models with Instructions used by School of Industrial Arts. Boston..."*, 1892. Made by Bertha Bartlett  
 Everett and Virginia Blodgett: Wooden box made from the Old Elm on Boston Common and photograph of Boston Police Commissioner George Monroe  
 Bucksport (Me.) Historical Society: Porcelain cream pitcher with image of the Mass. Soldiers Home in Chelsea, with saucer  
 Levin H. Campbell: Oil portrait of Muriel Gurdon Saltonstall (1896–1990), later Mrs. George Lewis, by Frank Weston Benson, 1923, and gold "Concordia" bracelet, by A. Carli  
 Patricia Kreuzburg: Mourning pendant for Capt. Thomas Adams and his son Thomas, Jr., of Boston, ca. 1796



Michael Ogle: Stoneware bottles for Dr. Swett's Original Root Beer, Boston, ca. 1870–1900  
 Nancy Osgood, in memory of William B. Osgood: Three oil paintings: *Tuttle House, Savin Hill, Dorchester* by Josiah Wolcott, ca. 1830s; *A Boston Interior* by E. Otto Grundmann, 1877; and *First Church, John Eliot Square, Roxbury* by an unknown artist, ca. 1830s

Darlene Reams: Pitcher from the 1920 Mechanics Fair  
 Nicholas Rochester (combination gift & purchase): Gold and enamel mourning brooch, with hair chamber, inscribed "W. H. S. [William Harris Simpkins] Fort Wagner July 18th 1863."  
 Sawyer family, through Kenneth Sawyer: Canteen used by Charles J. Nourse during his Civil War service with the Mass. 53rd Infantry Regiment  
 Rosemary Torpey: Buttons and printed ephemera for state and national political campaigns, 1960–1988

#### Purchases

*1,000,000 Bottles Sold! J. Russell Spalding's Rosemary for Improving and Adorning the Hair Richly Perfumed for the Toilet...* [Boston: J. Russell Spalding, undated]  
 Misc. account books kept by laborers and store owners in Bolton, Taunton, Granville, and Westfield  
 Letter from John Quincy Adams to George S. Hillard, June 27, 1838  
*Adams Ticket. Electors of President and Vice-President.* [Boston: 1824] [ticket for John Quincy Adams and fellow Massachusetts politicians]  
*Address of the Young Men's Republican Committee of Massachusetts* [Boston: 1878]. Broadside  
*ANTI-RACIST RALLY. Right now a viciously racist movement is being whipped up by the Boston School Committee...May 4* [1974] [Boston: 1975]  
 Sampler embroidered on linen by Sarah Elizabeth Appleton in 1834  
*Articles for a Fishing Excursion...* (Boston: Morse & Balcomb, Long Wharf, ca. 1860s)  
 Annotated almanac kept by Mrs. E. E. Baldwin who traveled to the Azores with her family in 1836  
 Adin Ballou, *Farewell to the School House Chapel* [Hopedale, Milford, Mass.: ca. 1856?]. Broadside verse  
*Battle of the Potomac with the Malays. Written by one of the Crew.* (Boston: sold, wholesale and retail: N. Deming, ca. 1832). Broadside poem  
*Bay State Allied Bazaar For War Relief and Reconstruction. Managed by Ways and Means Committee of the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association...Copley Plaza Hotel, December 9, 10, 11, 1918.* Broadside [Boston: Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association, 1918]  
 N. Belcher, *The Barbers' and Hair-dressers' Private Recipe Book* (Boston: Rockwell & Rollins, 1808)

- Account book kept by Groton attorney Timothy Bigelow, Jr., 1804–1806
- Civil War stereoview photographs of the 1st Massachusetts Cavalry Regiment in camp at Readville, by Black & Batchelder of Boston
- Notebook kept by Somerset police officer John F. Boyd, 1906–1907
- Bristol County Republican Committee, *Taunton, February 14, 1801. My Dear Sir, It has been a practice among the Republicans of this county...* (Taunton: 1810). Broadside
- World War I memoir & diary by George Franklin Bushway as a radio operator aboard the USS *Proteus*
- Contemporary manuscript copy of a prisoner-of-war journal kept by Henry W. Camp of the 10th Conn. Infantry who was captured during the assault on Ft. Wagner in July 1863
- Catalogue of the Officers, Teachers, and Pupils of the Charlestown Female Seminary...* (Boston: J. Howe, 1849)
- Civil War medal comprised of five gilt forks arranged in a star to commemorate the participation by Company F of the 2nd Massachusetts Cavalry at the Battle of Five Forks in 1865
- Coming to Lynn, Mass. Convent Life Exposed. Great Lectures on Romanism. Opportunity to Hear the Eloquent and Brilliant Romanist Margaret L. Shepherd...* [Lynn, Mass.: ca. early 1890s]. Broadside
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts. By His Excellency John Brooks... A Proclamation, for Promulgating the Amendments to the Constitution* (Boston: 1821). Broadside
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Head Quarters... Boston, March 11th, 1822. General Orders...* Broadside regarding the court martial of Col. Ephraim Ward
- Constitution of the Bunker-Hill Association.* (Boston: B. Tru, ca. 1809)
- World War I diary kept by gunner Howard Wesley Cutler of the 37th Engineers, American Expeditionary Forces
- Letters to author and reformer Caroline Wells Healey Dall
- Papers of educator and textbook author Eben H. Davis
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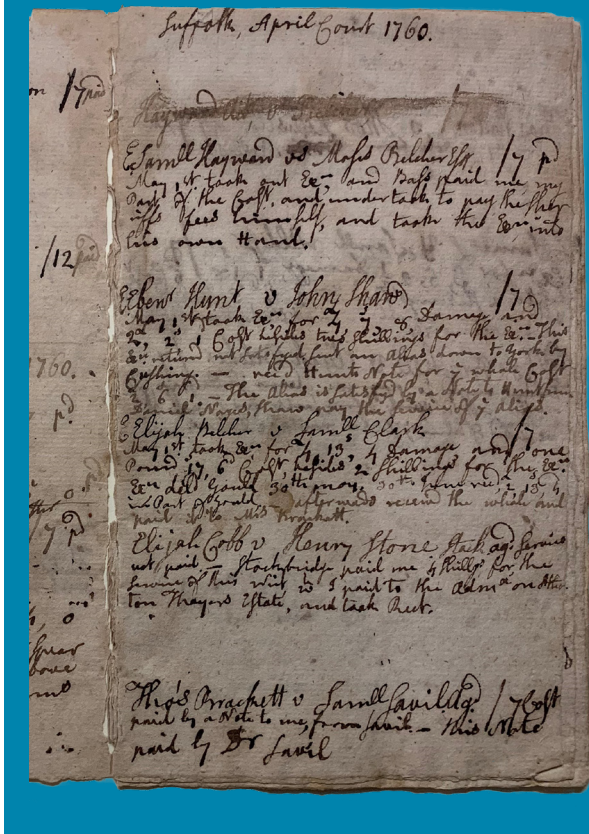
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## Acquisition Highlight

### John Adams Legal Records

This small, 16-page document was originally believed to be the legal notes of John Cushing. However, careful scrutiny identified the handwriting as belonging to John Adams. The manuscript is in fact some of the earliest known legal records kept by Adams. It includes case notes for the young lawyer's appearances before the quarterly sessions of the Massachusetts Inferior Court of Common Pleas for Suffolk County in 1759 and 1760 and memoranda of debts and payments between 1759 and 1762. The document is a remarkable addition to Adams's previously published legal papers, which are available online through the Adams Papers Digital Edition. View legal papers and more at [www.masshist.org/publications/adams-papers](http://www.masshist.org/publications/adams-papers).



# Financial Statements

## Statement of Activities (in thousands)

	2022	2021
Unrestricted revenues and support		
Gifts and grants	\$ 1,049	\$ 967
Fellows and Members dues	110	77
Royalties and rights	73	32
Seminars, conferences, workshops, and other events	406	181
Other revenues	(67)	139
Release of restricted gifts	779	643
Paycheck Protection Program loan forgiveness	—	768
Endowment	<u>3,946</u>	<u>3,717</u>
	6,296	6,522
Operating Expenses	<u>7,720</u>	<u>6,795</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets from operations	(1,424)	(272)
Non-operating activity		
Endowment gifts, grants, and bequests	107	1,187
Purchase of collections	(99)	(45)
Proceeds from sale of collections	—	127
Investment return, net gain	(5,899)	51,144
Endowment support	<u>(3,946)</u>	<u>(3,717)</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets	<u>\$ (11,261)</u>	<u>\$ 48,422</u>



## Statement of Financial Position (in thousands)

	2022	2021
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,550	\$ 4,493
Endowment investments at market value	127,669	137,542
Property, equipment, and other assets	9,770	10,093
Other assets	<u>819</u>	<u>1,067</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 141,808</u>	<u>\$ 153,195</u>
Liabilities		
Long-term debt	\$ 990	\$ 932
Net assets		
Unrestricted	51,652	55,396
Temporarily restricted	70,257	77,869
Permanently restricted	<u>17,652</u>	<u>17,557</u>
Total net assets	<u>139,560</u>	<u>150,822</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 141,808</u>	<u>\$ 153,195</u>

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