Joseph McGill of the Slave Dwelling Project
Joins the Hempsted Houses for Juneteenth

On Saturday, June 9th from 12 to 4 pm, the Hempsted Houses will host the 4th annual New London Juneteenth Festival, which commemorates the ending of slavery in America. On June 19, 1865, Union soldiers landed at Galveston, Texas and announced that the Civil War had ended and the enslaved were now free.

We have been working with our partners, the New London NAACP and New London’s OIC (Opportunities and Industrialization Center) to plan a series of special Juneteenth events. This year we are honored to have Joseph McGill of the Slave Dwelling Project as a featured presenter. The Slave Dwelling Project is a non-profit organization based in South Carolina founded by McGill to preserve slave dwellings throughout the country. To draw attention to these important places, McGill spends a night sleeping in them. He began in 2010 with the Magnolia Plantation in South Carolina to draw attention to a restoration project focused on their slave cabins. He began in 2010 with the Magnolia Plantation in South Carolina to draw attention to a restoration project focused on their slave cabins.

McGill, an avid Civil War reenactor and descendant of enslaved people, slept in one of the cabins to bring attention to their need for preservation. Since that first successful sleepover, Joseph has slept in ninety sites in 18 states.

Joseph McGill has a long history working at historic sites, including as: Field Officer for the National Trust for Historic Preservation; Executive Director of the African American Museum in Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Director of History and Culture at Penn Center in St. Helena Island, South Carolina; and Park Ranger at Fort Sumter National Monument in Charleston, South Carolina.

In a 2014 interview with Smithsonian Magazine, McGill noted that sleeping in former slave dwellings:

"'seems strange and upsetting to some people. ’ But he embraces the discomfort, both physical and psychological, because he wants to save slave dwellings and the history they hold before it’s too late. ‘Americans tend to focus on the ‘big house,’ the mansion and gardens, and neglect the buildings out back,’ he says. ‘If we lose slave dwellings, it’s that much easier to forget the slaves themselves.’"

We are delighted to have Joseph bring renewed attention to the life of Adam Jackson, the enslaved farmer who lived in the house from 1727 until after the death of the diarist Joshua Hempsted in 1758, and Dinah, the enslaved woman who ran away from the house on April 27, 1803. Dr. Allegra di Bonaventura’s book, For Adam’s Sake, provides amazing research about Adam Jackson and his family. It is believed that Adam would have slept in the third floor garret of the

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Dear Friends,

Spring has finally sprung and with the good weather comes the beginning of CTL's exciting 2018 Season of Events! We have many important preservation projects slated for the year—we can't wait to share our progress with you this summer. Many thanks to all of you who made annual fund gifts and helped us reach our goal—we greatly appreciate your support of our mission.

We’ve had a busy winter! On Sat., Feb. 24th we celebrated Black History Month at the Isham-Terry House with Yale historian Allegra di Bonaventura's *For Adam’s Sake* presentation on enslaved third-generation New Englander Adam Jackson, who lived for more than three decades at the site of Connecticut Landmarks' Hempsted Houses in New London. Connecticut College’s Dr. David Canton addressed the relevance of Adam Jackson’s story to understanding the history of enslaved people in New England, and the broader implications on the historiography of African American studies today.

In March, the last two third-grade field trips to the Hempsted Houses took place as part of New London Maritime Society’s Local History Program which brought 300+ students to six historic sites during the school year. The Nathan Hale Homestead will open its doors to school groups for the spring beginning on May 3rd welcoming projected students for programs in the newly renovated Hale Barns this year.

This season is bursting with activity and programming that you won’t want to miss, including walking tours, garden programs, and the return of the Coventry Farmers’ Market. Our 2018 Special Events kick-off with *Lilac Girls with Martha Hall Kelly* on Sat., May 19th. If you haven’t yet met the *New York Times* bestselling author, you're in for a real treat at the Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden. On Sat., June 9th, the Hempsted Houses present Juneteenth from 12 to 4 pm with the NAACP-New London Branch. On Fri, June 15th, we will once again celebrate summer with *Cocktails in the Hatheway Garden* from 6 to 9 pm.

Families will enjoy the 7th Annual Fairy Festival at the Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden on Sat., June 16th and the return of the *Sunset Sounds Concert Series* in the beautiful Butler-McCook Garden June through September. The first *Vintage Base Ball Game* in over a century will take place at the Nathan Hale Homestead on Sat., June 30th at 1 pm. We have opportunities for young people to engage with history at our Hempsted, Hale and Phelps-Hatheway Colonial Camps. Teens can apply for our Hartford Youth Employment Program, or join our youth groups at the Hale Homestead or the Hempsted Houses.

We can’t wait to see you at our properties this season.

With best regards,

Sheryl Hack, Executive Director
Saluting Our Heroes Opens at the Nathan Hale Homestead

The 2018 season brings with it new programs, collaborations and an exhibit that focuses on Military Service. From May 5th through May 31st, American Flags will create a Flag Field for Heroes in honor of military service members, veterans and heroes. An Opening Ceremony will take place on Saturday, May 5th at 2 pm, featuring a flag raising ceremony by the Coventry VFW and the American Legion, and A POW flag ceremony by the Coventry VFW. All are invited to this free event. Flags are currently on sale for $10 and can be purchased by contacting 860.742.6917 or hale@ctlandmarks.org.

Inside the house, join the Hale Homestead staff for a conversational house tour and view the Saluting our Heroes exhibit, highlighting military service and local heroes from the Revolutionary War to the present day. Uniforms and artifacts from different eras and branches of service will be on display until July 15th. Both programs are presented in collaboration with the Coventry Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Coventry American Legion.

The Coventry Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars was founded in 1989. The VFW traces its roots back to 1899 when veterans founded local organizations to secure rights and benefits for their service. The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States is a non-profit veterans’ service organization comprised of eligible veterans and military service members from the active, guard and reserve forces.

The American Legion Post 52 of Coventry began in 1921; the American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919. It is the largest wartime veterans’ service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans.
CT Landmarks Presents at New England Museum Association’s Annual Conference

On October 25th, Connecticut Landmarks’ Executive Director Sheryl Hack, Hempsted Project Manager Aileen Novick and Palmer-Warner Project Manager Erin Malueg, along with Braden Paynter of the International Coalition of Sites of Conscience, presented a session at the New England Museum Association conference. The session, Why Should I Care? Historic House Museums as Sites of Conscience, Engaging Visitors with Difficult Histories, sought to share the lessons we have learned through the process of research, reinterpretation, and work with International Coalition of Sites of Conscience to help our organization remain relevant to the public.

The International Coalition of Sites of Conscience (ICSC) is a dynamic global network of museums (230 member institutions in 55 countries), historic sites and memory initiatives that inspire millions of people each year to explore the parallels between past and present, build bridges of understanding, and take action on pressing social issues. Members commit to interpreting history through memory projects, engaging in programs that stimulate dialogue and promote humanitarian values, and encouraging opportunities for the public to take action.

ICSC employs dialogue as an interpretive strategy to enable visitors to access larger historical and humanities themes. It applies this framework to enduring social issues addressed by historic sites and museums to foster an exchange of ideas anchored in scholarship. As trusted educational and community spaces containing human and visceral connections to the past, museums and historic sites are ideal venues for fostering dialogue and civic engagement.

How did we get started? CTL was in search of methods to convey the difficult stories residing at our properties: a history of northern slavery; the colonial speculation of Native American lands; an individual who was hanged as the first spy of the American Revolution; a professor who studied the homeless to understand their lives and developed a 25-year correspondence and friendship with a “hobo”; and use them as bridges to address contemporary social justice issues. For example, how does the history of Connecticut slavery affect our society today? How can we take action to make our society more equitable? These are not conversations our staff could successfully navigate without training. These are difficult topics, and while we want to engage all of our visitors in these conversations, we want to be sure that we are doing it well. By using the methods of ICSC, we have begun the process of providing interpretive staff with tools and methodologies to introduce, encourage, and facilitate meaningful conversations with our guests.

This method of facilitating dialogue by using ISCS training was implemented last season with a few staff at each of our properties participating. It will be utilized by all staff at all of our sites this season. This conference was a chance to share our approach with peer organizations and to gain insight from other museum professionals on how they are implementing similar initiatives.
Capital Community College Explores the History of Medicine

Connecticut Landmarks welcomed over 140 students from Capital Community College’s Nursing 102 classes to the Isham-Terry House this April. A team of CCC Nursing faculty led by Nancy Casey, Jessica Palozie and Alicia Zupan, and our Hartford Educator, Jana Colacino, debuted the program in April 2017 as part of CCC’s Hartford Heritage Project, which utilizes Hartford’s rich and diverse cultural institutions, landmarks, and neighborhoods as an extension of the college. The team expanded the curriculum for 2018, using feedback from students’ 2017 experiences. Faculty-led sessions highlight medical and nursing care from the early 20th century and compare it to modern day care by exploring the implements and treatments of Dr. Isham, while students experience the history of this North End gem through tours led by CTL staff.

“This program is a true humanities and health science collaboration and a great example of how significant historical sites can be used creatively in higher education. Our students marvel at the Isham-Terry House – it’s like they are stepping back in time to witness a completely different way of practicing medicine. It really opens their minds!”

– Jeff Partridge, Hartford Heritage Project Director
Let’s 2018

Go!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden
9 Main Street North
Bethlehem, CT 06751
203.266.7596
bellamy.ferriday@ctlandmarks.org

Open for tours: May through Oct.
May – Sept.: Thur. – Sun., 12 – 4 pm
Oct.: Sat. & Sun., 12 – 4 pm
Open on Memorial Day, Labor Day & Columbus Day
Tours start on the hour.

Sat., May 19, 11 am – 5 pm
Lilac Girls Event with Martha Hall Kelly
Join New York Times bestselling author Martha Hall Kelly at the lovely Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden, the Connecticut home of Caroline Ferriday. Enjoy a tour of the Bellamy-Ferriday House, a garden walk featuring the exquisite lilac collection & a book signing with Martha in Caroline Ferriday’s kitchen. Includes light refreshments & author presentation from 3 – 5 pm. Registration required at 860.247.8996 x23 or ctlandmarks.org.

Sun., May 27, 2 – 4 pm
Lilac House Tour & Garden Walk
Enjoy a house tour focused on Caroline Ferriday’s charitable work, take an extended garden walk featuring her exquisite lilac collection with our site Horticulturist & receive a special pewter ornament made in Caroline’s honor. $30; $20 for house & garden tour only; $12 for lilac walk only. Reservations required, contact bellamy.ferriday@ctlandmarks.org to register.

Sun., June 3, 1 – 4 pm
CT Trails Day Walk with Bethlehem Land Trust
Take a 1.2 mile stroll through the Ferriday Garden & the Bethlehem Land Trust’s Bellamy Preserve. Explore the history, flora & fauna of these two contiguous parcels preserved by Caroline Ferriday. Meet at the Bellamy-Ferriday Visitor Center. Part of the Connecticut Forest & Park Association’s CT Trails Day. Free. Registration recommended at 203.266.7596 or bellamy.ferriday@ctlandmarks.org.

Sat., June 16, 12 – 4 pm
Rain date: Sun., June 17
Fairy Festival
Calling all fairies, elves, gnomes, pixies, leprechauns, woodland & mystical creatures! Visit the vendors, see the craft fairs, make ribbon rings & fairy garland crowns, paint your own garden stones & participate in a parade. Prizes for the fairy houses awarded. Food & drinks for sale after the Soroptimists of Greater Waterbury. $12 adults; $7 children 3-12 (2 & under free). Registration required for fairy house contest, visit ctlandmarks.org or email bellamy.ferriday@ctlandmarks.org for application.

Sun., June 24, 1 – 4 pm
CT Historic Gardens Day
Garden Tours at 1 & 3 pm
Discover the treasures of the Bellamy-Ferriday estate. Stroll through the formal parterre garden designed 1915-1918 by Eliza Mitchell Ferriday. Grounds admission is free; regular admission applies for historic house tour.

Butler-McCook House & Garden
396 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103
860.522.1806
butler.mccook@ctlandmarks.org

Open for tours: May through Oct.
May – Oct.: Sat. & Sun., 12 – 4 pm
Oct. – Dec.: Sat. & Sun., 12 – 4 pm
Tours during regular operation hours are free for Hartford residents! The Butler-McCook Garden & lawn are open year-round from dusk to dawn.

Sun., June 24, 1 – 4 pm
CT Historic Gardens Day
Butler-McCook House & Garden Tours at 1 & 3 pm
Discover the treasures of the Bellamy-Ferriday estate. Stroll through the formal parterre garden designed 1915-1918 by Eliza Mitchell Ferriday. Grounds admission is free; regular admission applies for historic house tour.

CT Trails Day: Discovering Historic Attractions in the Greater Hartford Area
Sat., June 2, 2 – 3:30 pm
CT Trails Day Walking Tour:
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**Thur., May 10, 5:30 – 7:30 pm**
**Cultural Cocktail Hour**

**Sat., May 12, 9 am – 2 pm**
**South End History Tour**
Join Historic Hartford’s Bill Hosley & CTL Staff to tour the historic South End of Hartford. Visit Cedar Hill Cemetery, historic Coltville, Trinity College, Hartford Hospital’s The Institute of Living Museum & the Olmsted-designed grounds. Our last stop is the Butler-McCook House & Garden for a tour & a casual lunch provided in the historic Jacob Weidenmann-designed garden. Bus transportation will be provided between sites. $40/$35 for CTL Members. Reservations required at 860.247.8996 x12 or ctlandmarks.org.

**Sun., June 3, 12 – 1:30 pm**
**CT Trails Day: Discovering Historic Main Street Hartford**
Take an easy 1.5 mile tour on the sidewalks of Main Street to learn how the city has evolved by viewing some of Main Street’s significant structures: City Hall, Wadsworth Atheneum, Travelers Tower, Old State House, Center Church and the Ancient Burying Ground. Part of the Connecticut Forest & Park Association’s CT Trails Day. Free. Reservations recommended at 860.247.8996 x12 or butler.mccock@ctlandmarks.org.

**Thur., June 14, July 12, Aug. 9 & Sept. 13, 6 – 7:30 pm**
**Sunset Sounds Garden Concert Series**
Bring a picnic dinner & enjoy music in the Butler-McCook historic garden at the Amos Bull House. Enjoy a featured artist’s exhibit each month! Free tours of the first floor from 5:30 – 6 pm. The Butler-McCook Garden is dog friendly- bring the whole family! Free, sponsored by the Richard P. Garmany Fund at HFPG & the Greater Hartford Arts Council.

**Thur., June 21, 12 – 1:30 pm**
**Make Music Day Hartford**
Hartford will join cities worldwide on the longest day of the year to celebrate its FIRST Make Music Day! Bring a picnic lunch & your dancing shoes to enjoy The Guinea Pigs, a folk-rock band with eclectic covers & originals. Family & dog friendly event! Free, sponsored by the Greater Hartford Arts Council.

**Sun., June 24, 12 – 4 pm**
**CT Historic Gardens Day**
Visit the Butler-McCook House & Garden & walk through our historic Jacob Weidenmann Garden installed by Eliza Butler McCook & her sister Mary in 1865. Today the garden is lovingly maintained by the West Hartford Garden Club. Grounds admission is free; regular admission applies for historic house tour.

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**Hempsted Houses**
11 Hempstead Street
New London, CT 06320
860.443.7949
hempsted@ctlandmarks.org
Open for tours: May through Oct.
May – Oct.: Sat. & Sun., 1 – 4 pm
Tours during regular operating hours are free for New London residents!

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**Sat., June 2, 2 – 3:30 pm**
**CT Trails Day Walking Tour: Hempsted Historic District**
Join us for a walking tour of one of New London’s first African-American neighborhoods. Hear the stories of the people who lived in this neighborhood – residents have included slaveholders, civic leaders, abolitionists, a Revolutionary War hero & at least two enslaved people. Stay afterward for cookies, lemonade & a chance to talk more about the area. Part of the Connecticut Forest & Park Association’s CT Trails Day. Free.

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**Here’s what CTL Staff Can’t Wait to Share with You!**

*Grabs a date and don your festive attire for dancing in the summer house to benefit educational programming at Cocktails in the Hatheway Garden.*

**NEW!** How about a Vintage Base Ball Game with your sports enthusiast at the Nathan Hale Homestead? Bring your comfy lawn chairs & don’t worry about stadium traffic- the commute is a scenic country drive.

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Sat., June 9, 12 – 4 pm
Juneteenth Festival

Sun., June 10, 11:30 am – 4 pm
Juneteenth Festival
Gather under the tent on the Hempsted lawn for Church Service with In His Presence Ministries from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm. Gospel Choir Concert to follow from 1 – 3 pm.

Sun., July 1, 2 pm
Declaration of Independence

Mon. – Fri., July 30 – Aug. 3, 9 am – 1 pm
Hempsted History Camp
Children will step back in time & explore history in our Hempsted History Camp. They will experience what life was like in the past through, hands-on activities. Children will see & hear from great storytellers for a fun & educational week. Scholarships are available for New London residents & returning youth! Sponsored by the Frank Loomis Palmer Fund. $50 per child, ages 7-12. Register at 860.443.7949 or hempsted@ctlandmarks.org.

Nathan Hale Homestead
2299 South Street
Coventry, CT 06238
860.742.6917
hale@ctlandmarks.org

Open for tours: May through Oct.
May: Sat. & Sun., 12 – 4 pm
June – Sept.: Thur. – Sun., 12 – 4 pm;
Sun., 11 am – 4 pm
Oct.: Sat. & Sun., 12 – 4 pm
Tours start on the hour.
Open Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day & Columbus Day
The Hale Homestead grounds are open year round from dawn to dusk.

Sat., May 5 – Thur., May 31
Flag Field for Heroes
Visit the Homestead during operating hours to purchase an American Flag in honor of a military service member, veteran or hero. Join us for an opening ceremony on May 5th at 2 pm. Flags will be on display for the month of May. In collaboration with the Coventry Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Coventry American Legion. Cost per flag is $10; to purchase, contact 860.742.6917 or hale@ctlandmarks.org.

Sat., June 2, 10 – 11:30 am
CT Trails Day
Hale Homestead Landscape Tour:
Reading an 18th-Century Farm
Join Nathan Hale Homestead staff for an easy stroll through the Hale Family Farm & into the Nathan Hale State Forest on the “road to Norwich,” an 18th-century dirt road that the Hale Family used to drive their livestock to market. Heavy rain cancels. Part of the Connecticut Forest & Park Association’s CT Trails Day. Free. Registration appreciated at 860.742.6917 or hale@ctlandmarks.org.

Sun., June 3 – Oct. 28, 11 am – 2 pm
Coventry Farmers’ Market
Join us for the 15th season of the Coventry Farmers’ Market! Hosted on the grounds of the Hale Homestead in Coventry. Free admission to the first floor of the House & family-friendly history activities. Visit coventryfarmersmarket.org for more information and to sign up for the weekly newsletter.

Sat., June 30, 1 pm
Vintage Base Ball Game
Bring your lawn chairs & join us to witness a vintage base ball game. The Providence Grays & the Bouckville
Summits of the Mid-Atlantic Vintage Base Ball League will play by the means & rules of yesteryear. Doubleheader – games last 1.5 – 2.5 hrs each. Concessions available for purchase. $5 suggested donation per person. Registration recommended at 860.742.6917 or hale@ctlandmarks.org.

Mon. – Fri., July 23 – 27, 10 am – 3 pm
Colonial Camp
Travel back to the 18th century for a week of summer fun. Campers will learn about 18th-century life through hands on activities each day & make crafts to take home at the end of the week. Campers will learn to spin wool, embroider, write with quill pens, learn 18th-century games, dip candles, make homemade ice cream & so much more! For children ages 8-12; $200 per week/ $175 CTL Members. Registration required at 860.742.6917 or hale@ctlandmarks.org.

For event updates and more information, visit ctlandmarks.org.

Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden
55 South Main Street
Suffield, CT 06078
860.668.0055
phelps.hatheway@ctlandmarks.org

Open for tours: May through Oct.
Sat. & Sun., 1 – 4 pm

Fri., May 4, 5 – 7 pm
Exhibition Opening: Lynda Montefusco
Please join us in welcoming our 2018 artist, Lynda Montefusco! Lynda is the owner of A Stroke of Color Art Studio in Suffield where she provides artistic instruction to people of all ages. Enjoy her work exhibited at the Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden Visitor Center & be sure to check out her website www.astrokeofcolorstudio.com. Free.

May – Sept., 1:30 – 3 pm
1st Saturday Attic Tours
Dates: May 5, June 2, July 7, Aug. 4 & Sept. 1
Join us again for our ever-popular attic tours! On the first Saturday of each month, venture beyond the stanchions with museum interpreters for a rare, behind-the-scenes look of the Phelps’ servant & attic spaces. View objects & collections from the 18th to the early 20th century. Regular admission applies.

Sat., May 12, 9 am – 3 pm
May Market
Goodbye winter, hello spring! Now in its 41st year, the Suffield Garden Club’s May Market officially marks the beginning of the planting season. Beautify your garden with a variety of plants, trees & shrubs. Win the drawing, buy homemade desserts, or find a unique Mother’s Day gift. Free; regular admission applies for house tour.

Sun., May 13, 2 pm
Mother’s Day Tea
Celebrate spring & our beautiful lilacs! Mrs. Phelps offers a light tea in the Summer House & shares tea’s significant social & political role during the Revolutionary War & after. The traditional tea service features delicious treats & young guests may don period costumes. $25 per adult; $15 per child. Reservations required at phelps.hatheway@ctlandmarks.org.

Sat., June 2, 1:30 – 3 pm
Rain date: Sun., June 3
CT Trails Day: Historic Main Street & Old Burying Ground Walking Tour
Walk 1 mile down our historic Main Street & enjoy a close-up view of the beauty, detail & expanse of the homes, churches & the Old Burying Ground. Suffield’s historic district boasts numerous architectural gems from the 18th & 19th centuries. Part of the Connecticut Forest & Park Association’s CT Trails Day. Free; registration appreciated.

Fri., June 15, 6 – 9 pm
Cocktails in the Hatheway Garden
Savor farm-to-table offerings by The Federal & signature cocktails at CTL’s summer event in the lush garden. All proceeds benefit the Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden. Registration required at 860.247.8996 x 23.

Sun., July 8, 12 pm
Declaration of Independence
Join us as community participants read aloud dramatic the Declaration of Independence. Guests include: WNPR’s Where We Live host Lucy Nalpathanchil, Suffield First Selectman Melissa Mack, State Representative Tami Zawistowski, Director of Kent Memorial Library Jackie Hemond, Town Historian Lester Smith, & our young Colonial Campers! Free.

Mon. – Fri., July 30 – Aug. 3, 10 am – 3 pm
Colonial Adventure Camp
Welcome to the 18th century! Journey back in time with us to Colonial Suffield. Don a period costume & participate in historic activities at the Phelps-Hatheway House. Learn about trade & westward expansion while signing important documents & maps with a quill pen. Dye wool & cloth for knitting & sewing, then try your hand at spinning & weaving, & enjoy a snack with homemade butter. A special surprise will await all on the final day: music & dancing will fill the air! For children ages 8-12; $200 per week; $175 CTL Members. Registration required at phelps.hatheway@ctlandmarks.org.
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### CTL Receives Prestigious AIA Design Award for Nathan Hale Homestead Barns Renovation

In September, Connecticut Landmarks received an honorable mention from the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Connecticut Chapter at the Connecticut 2017 Design Awards in the category of Built – Preservation, Adaptation or Restoration Project for the Nathan Hale Homestead Barns Project. The Barns Project was the final phase of the Nathan Hale Homestead Preservation, Restoration & Reinterpretation Project, which included: Homestead restoration, reinterpretation, and creation of new school and youth programs; preservation and adaptive reuse of the Homestead’s ell to create a new Visitor Center and Museum Store; and preservation and renovation of the Hale barns to house multi-purpose program and event space.

The award was presented on Monday, December 4th at the AIA’s Design Awards Ceremony at TheaterWorks Hartford. CTL’s Executive Director Sheryl Hack states, “It’s an honor to receive this design award on behalf of Connecticut Landmarks’ Board and staff, and our design team. We are delighted that the Connecticut Chapter of the American Institute of Architects continues to recognize our work to steward – and to continue to use and adaptively re-use – Connecticut’s important historic properties.”

The Project Team included James Galey and Charles Ahles from Fuss & O’Neill Design Build, James Vance of James Vance and Associates Architects, CTL Executive Director Sheryl Hack, and CTL Trustees James Parry and Patrick Pinnell, FAIA. Special thanks to Trustee Dusty McMahan for his work on the AIA application.

### Connecticut Landmarks’ New Members

Peggy Bliss, Carol Denehy, Tamara Fagan, Dian Friedman, Madeleine & Priscilla Hexter, Jenny & Peter Holland, Anna Hollister, Margaret Hunt, Jonathan Lincoln, Ruth Ann Loder, Cheryl Pelletier & Veronica Verklin.
Of Interest:

FOR ADULT READERS ........................

_The Martyr and the Traitor: Nathan Hale, Moses Dunbar, and the American Revolution_ (Oxford University Press, 2017), by Virginia DeJohn Anderson, received the 2017 Journal of the American Revolution Book of the Year award. Anderson, a 1976 University of Connecticut graduate and recipient of the 2010 Distinguished Alumni Award, is a professor of history at the University of Colorado, Boulder who first became acquainted with Nathan Hale while growing up in Connecticut. She recalled passing the signs for the Hale Homestead on her travels to and from UConn. Her undergraduate studies introduced her to lesser-known Connecticut loyalist Moses Dunbar, who met the same fate as Nathan at the end of the hangman’s noose after failure to complete a dangerous mission. In her new book, Anderson compares and contrasts the lives of patriot Hale and loyalist Dunbar, using biographical studies of the men to explore the complicated local social and political issues which affected loyalties and beliefs during the Revolutionary War and which are often diminished under the simplified dichotomy of “patriot and loyalist.”

FOR KIDS & FAMILIES ........................

_On the Farm, at the Market_ (Henry Holt & Company, 2016), by G. Brian Karas, is geared toward kids aged infant - 4th grade. The two-part picture book follows food from growers and producers to a market, and then to a locally owned and operated restaurant. With its hints about the importance of not quitting until a job is done, this sincerely illustrated book will not only pique your kid’s interest in veggies, but it will make your mouth water and inspire a visit to the Coventry Farmers’ Market at the Nathan Hale Homestead! Ask for it at your local library or visit smile.amazon.com and choose Connecticut Landmarks.

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house and that Dinah might have slept in the bedroom off of the kitchen of the 1728 addition. McGill will be joined by community members and will speak at the Juneteenth Celebration on Saturday, June 9th.

Our Juneteenth Celebration also features a dramatic performance of Joan Jackson by storyteller Tammy Denease, non-profit tabling, food provided by the OIC, music by Shades of Joy and DJ Frank Lo, a performance by the Lion’s Den Dancers, games and art activities for families, tours of the houses, and much more. On Sunday, June 10th, join us for a church service at 11:30 am by In His Presence Ministries followed by a concert of church choirs at 1:00 pm.

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Spring Special Events

Lilac Girls Event
with New York Times bestselling author Martha Hall Kelly at the Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden in Bethlehem Saturday, May 19th, 11 am - 5 pm

Cocktails in the Hatheway Garden
at the Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden in Suffield Friday, June 15th, 5 - 9 pm

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