

New Jersey Historical Commission Award Recipients

Every year, the New Jersey Historical Commission presents AWARDS OF RECOGNITION to individuals and organizations that have helped to preserve New Jersey history and have increased public awareness of and appreciation for that history. The Commission also presents the RICHARD J. HUGHES AWARD for outstanding, lifetime achievement in the field of New Jersey history.

Below is a list of previous Hughes and Awards of Recognition recipients.

AWARDS OF RECOGNITION

1977

Burlington County Cultural and Heritage
Commission
Harris Effross
Great Falls Development Corporation
Edith Hoelle
James Lee

Monmouth County Historical Association
Princeton History Project
James M. Sears
Kenn Stryker-Rodda
Peter O. Wacker

1978

Cape May National Landmark Historic District
Charles F. Cummings
Michael H. Ebner
Constance M. Greiff
Kenneth A. Job

Herbert C. Kraft
Emorie Leiby
Joseph F. Mahoney
Gordon Myers

1979

Henry Bisbee
Haddonfield Preservation Society
Cleon E. Hammond
MERABASH Museum
David N. Poinsett

Clayton F. Smith
Robert F. Van Benthuisen
Sara C. Watson
Howard F. Wiseman
Stanley N. Worton

1980

Florence L. Athay
Bergen County Historical Society

Edna Van Sickle Budd
Msgr. William Noe Field

Larry R. Gerlach
Angus K. Gillespie
Peter J. Guthorn

Pauline S. Miller
Clement Alexander Price
John P. Snyder

1981

William G. Binnewies
Richard F. Hixson
J. Louise Jost
Morris County American Revolution
Bicentennial Committee
Elizabeth A. Pate

Ruth M. Patt
Louis J. Presti
Joseph J. Tustin
Kemble Widmer
Lynn R Wightman

1982

American-Italian Historical Association
Jack E. Boucher
Camden County Historical Society
David L. Cowen
Harry Devlin

Cherry and John B. Dodd
Wheaton J. Lane
Vera B. McMillon
Newark Preservation and Landmarks Committee
New Jersey Committee for the Humanities

1983

American Labor Museum/Botto House National
Landmark
Raymond Dey
Greenwich Historic District
J. Owen Grundy
Richard M. Huber

Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage
Commission
George H. Moss, Jr.
State House Historic District Association
Gloria Vannote
Jeanne H. Watson

1984

John E. Chance
Edison National Historic Site
Joint Free Public Library of Morristown and
Morris Township
William W. Leap
William J. McKelvey, Jr.

New Jersey Catholic Historic Records
Commission
Marden R. Nystrom
Pluckemin Archaeological Project
Harriet Stryker-Rodda
Van Harlingen Historical Society

1985

Gloucester County Historical Society
Hoboken Cultural Council
Mark E. Lender

Morris County Historical Society
Virginia T. Mosley

1986

Barbara Hoskins
Robert B. Immordino
Old Barracks Association

Dennis P. Ryan
Paul A. Stellhorn

1987

Henry Bischoff
Merchantville Historical Society
Historical Society of Princeton

Anne and Joseph E. Salvatore
Rutgers University Libraries, Special
Collections and University Archives

1988

Constance K. Escher
Nancy B. Gay
Morris County Heritage Commission

Rutgers University Press
Harold W. Thompson, Jr.

1989

Zara M. Cohan
Harrison Township Historical Society

Historic Speedwell
Leland G. Merrill, Jr.

1990

Cam Cavannaugh
Newark Museum
Elsalyn Palmisano-Drucker

Peter Sammartino
Lorraine E. Williams
Women's Project of New Jersey

1991

Atlantic Highlands Historical Society
Thomas A. Edison Papers
William R. Fernekes

John A. Herbst
A. Thorsten Karlsson

1992

Ronald L. Becker
Thomas Fleming
Hunterdon County Historical Society

Donald Pettifer
William C. Wright

1993

Janet W. Foster
Gail Greenberg
Robert P. Guter

Hopewell Township Historic Sites Committee
Monmouth County Park System
Princeton Biographical Dictionary

1994

Bergen County Division of Cultural and Historic
Affairs
Barbara Irvine
Marc Mappen

Montclair Art Museum
Robert W. Stewart
Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage
Affairs

1995

Hoboken Historical Museum
Jersey City Museum
Maxine N. Lurie

Barbara Burns Petrick
Frances D. Pigeon

1996

William Gillette
Lawrence D. Hogan
New Jersey Caucus, Mid-Atlantic Regional
Archives Conference

Organization of American Historians
Preservation New Jersey
Stephanie B. Stevens

1997

Anna M. Aschkenes
Rita R. Heller
Marc Mappen

Linda McTeague
Barbara J. Mitnick
New Jersey Studies Academic Alliance

1998

David A. Cowell
Electronic New Jersey
Dorothy White Hartman

New Jersey Division of Parks and Forestry
Seabrook Educational and Cultural Center

1999

New Jersey Vietnam Veterans Memorial
Foundation
Office of Television & Radio, Rutgers
University

Gary D. Saretzky
Gail F. Stern
James F. Turk
B. Michael Zuckerman

2000

Archaeological Society of New Jersey
Delight Wing Dodyk
New Jersey State Archives

Nancy Norris-Bauer
Ben Primer

2001

William Chemerka
Rodney P. Frelinghuysen
Genealogical Society of New Jersey

Rush Holt
Monmouth County Historical Association
New Jersey Star Ledger

2002

Center for Community Arts
Friends of the Hermitage
Wanda Gunning

Flora Higgins
Museum of Early Trades & Crafts

2003

Sara Cureton
Division of Parks & Forestry, DEP
Howell Living History Farm

Lawnside Historical Society
Road to Monmouth Partnership
Save Lucy Committee

2004

Alice Paul Institute
Joseph DaRold
Elric Endersby

League of Historical Societies
Rachel Rodgers
Water Works Conservancy

2005

Canal Society of New Jersey
Marguerite Chandler
Bonita Craft Grant
Hunter Research Inc.

Alexander Magoun
New Jersey Lighthouse Society
Preservation Partners

2006

Atlantic City Historical Museum
Cherry Hill Township Living History School
Program

Howard Gillette
Paul B. Israel
Michael J. Mills

2007

Charles Eckhardt and Bob McAvoy
Monmouth County Archives
Morris County Park Commission, Historic Sites
Division

North Wildwood Lighthouse Commission and
Friends of the Hereford Inlet Lighthouse
Trenton Downtown Association
Richard Veit

2008

Raymond Frey
Fort Lee Film Commission
Kate Gordon

NJ Office of Historic Sites, Div. Parks and
Forestry, NJDEP
Raritan Millstone Heritage Alliance
Brian Hughes

2009

Walter Baker
Col. (Ret.) Donald W. Kale

L. Dale Patterson
Twin Lights Historical Society

2010

Gordon Bond
Walter Choroszewski
Carol Wehran Greene

Michael Siegel
Wildwood Historical Society

2011

Joseph Bilby
David Fowler

Robert Hunter
Stickley Museum at Craftsman Farms

2012

The Chinkchewunska Chapter of the
Daughters of the American Revolution
Joseph M. Laufer

David Kimball
The Newark History Society

2013

Leslie Bensley
Marylou and Jerome Bongiorno

Historic Morven
Wendy Miller Nardi

2014

Elizabeth Carter Lacy
Edith Auten Rohrman

Rutgers Oral History Archives

2015

Plainfield Public Library, Special
Collections & Local History Department
Tuckerton Seaport & Baymen's Museum

David and Theresa Williams

2016

Donald Esposito
Larry Kidder
Raymond Rebmann

2017

Morven Museum and Garden
Patricia A. Martinelli
Mark Nonestied
Ocean County Cultural and Heritage Commission

RICHARD J. HUGHES AWARD

1974 Joseph J. Truncer
1975 Roger H. McDonough
1976 Miriam V. Studley
1977 Robert M. Lunny
1978 Joan C. Hull

1979 Arthur S. Link
1980 Hubert G. Schmidt
1981 Samuel S. Smith
1982 Melvin G. Weig
1983 Kathryn Gamble

1984	Samuel C. Miller	2000	Richard Waldron
1985	John T. Cunningham	2001	Peter O. Wacker
1985	Richard P. McCormick	2002	New Jersey Historical Society
1986	Constance M. Greiff	2003	David A. Cowell
1987	Donald A. Sinclair	2004	Ron Becker
1988	Carl E. Prince and Fred P. Wertheimer	2005	Mark E. Lender
1988	Charles F. Cummings	2006	Anna M. Aschkenes
1990	Edith Hoelle	2007	Thomas Fleming
1991	Herbert C. Kraft	2008	South Jersey Cultural Alliance
1992	Henry N. Drewry	2009	Gay LeCleire Taylor
1993	Pauline S. Miller	2010	Anne Salvatore
1994	Maureen Ogden	2011	James F. Turk
1995	Bernard Bush	2012	Marc Mappen
1996	Clement Alexander Price	2013	Michael Rockland
1997	Maxine N. Lurie	2014	Angus Kress Gillespie
1998	George H. Moss, Jr.	2015	Ian Burrow
2017	Daniel D. Sauders	2016	Garry Wheeler Stone
1999	Richard H. Bagger and Robert E. Littell		

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Atlantic City Historical Museum, 2006
Atlantic Highlands Historical Society, 1991

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Bagger, Richard H., **P**, 1999
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Bensley, Leslie, 2013
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MILDRED BARRY GARVIN PRIZE

The prize is named in honor of Mildred Barry Garvin who served the 27th Assembly District in Essex County from 1978 - 1988. She was a research specialist and director of field experience for the Graduate School of Administration at Rutgers, Newark. In honor of her contributions to state politics and education, the Mildred Barry Garvin Prize was awarded by the New Jersey Historical Commission for the first time in 1995.

The prize carries an award of \$1,500 to a New Jersey teacher, guidance counselor, or school librarian for outstanding teaching of black American history at any grade level between kindergarten and high school. It is also awarded to individuals demonstrating outstanding performance in a related activity, such as, developing curriculum materials.

Mildred Barry Garvin Prize Winners

- 1995 **Richard A. Bartell, Jr.** history teacher, Glenfield School, Montclair
- 1997 **Mark J. Melamed**, social studies teacher, Memorial Intermediate School, Vineland
Shawn Marshall, social studies teacher, Twin Hills School, Willingboro
- 1998 **Beverly Jones**, history teacher, Central High School, Trenton
- 1999 **Sally Cohill**, social studies teacher and coordinator, West Deptford Middle school, West Deptford
Tina Evans, history teacher, East Orange High School, East Orange
- 2000 **Theodore Bryan**, social studies teacher, Middle Township High School, Cape May Court House
- 2001 **William Gaines, Sr.**, social studies teacher, Columbia High School, South Orange-Maplewood School District
Natalie Kieninger, 4th grade gifted and talented teacher, Dennis Township Elementary School, Dennis Township
- 2002 **Bonnie Brennen**, social studies teacher, Meridian Academy at Lakewood, Lakewood
- 2003 **Karen Voorhis**, fourth grade teacher, Mildred Barry Garvin School, East Orange
- 2004 **Richard Schwartz**, coordinator, Hanover Park Regional High School and Whippany Park Social Studies Department
Muneerah Higgs, social studies teacher, Lawnside Public Schools, Lawnside

- 2005 **Ida Margolis**, Social Studies Department Chair, Ocean City High School, Ocean City
- 2006 **Robyn Spencer**, English teacher, Passaic County Technical Institute, Wayne
- 2007 **Steffany A. Baptiste**, special education teacher, Lawton C. Johnson Middle School, Summit
- Brenda C. Brooks**, social studies teacher, Eastern Intermediate High School, Voorhees
- 2008 **Lizzie Mae Jeter**, director/coordinator of the Black History Month Assembly Program, St. Patrick and Assumption/All Saints School
- 2009 **Sharon Russell Fowler**, Washington School
- 2010 **Rosemary Flowers-Jackson**, African-American History teacher, Hackensack High School, Hackensack
- 2012 **John Laney**, social studies teacher, Livingston High School, Livingston
- 2013 **Diane Driessen, Nicole Donnelly and Sophie Ragone**, social studies teachers, Friends School at Mullica Hill, Mullica Hill
- 2015 **Virginia, D'Antonio**, social studies teacher, Abbington Avenue School, Newark