

At last! A grand reopening in Baltimore and beyond 2022 IN REVIEW

Adding herstory to history to tell our story



"This year, Poe Baltimore partnered with the Maryland Women's Heritage Center for a year-long program for the Virginia Poe Bicentennial. Several MWHC members participated, culminating in new insight and context for this important, yet often-obscure, figure in Edgar Allan Poe's history."



The work with MWHC was transformative and will become a permanent part of the history and narrative we share with visitors to Poe House."

Enrica Jang, Executive Director,
Poe Baltimore/ The Edgar Allan Poe
House & Museum

In 2022, Maryland Women's Heritage Center:

- Welcomed all to a grand reopening of MWHC's venue at 333 N. Charles Street, former location of the historic Woman's Industrial Exchange (WIE).
- Produced virtual and in-person programs that showcased Maryland women who made lasting differences in science, arts, voting rights, the Equal Rights Amendment, travel reporting and civil rights.
- Shared board and volunteer expertise on women's history for programs at the Edgar Allan Poe House/Poe Baltimore, Renaissance Institute at Notre Dame of Maryland University and Maryland Public Television.
- Embarked, with Baltimore National Heritage Area grant support, on a two-year project to research and preserve the stories of women who kept the WIE open for over a century, making it a legendary Baltimore landmark.
- Facilitated the installation and unveiling of historical markers that commemorate forgotten women suffragists in Frederick, Easton and Mountain Lake Park (Garrett County).
- Featured a series of six women artists' collections in the MWHC street-facing display window, presenting painting, sculpture, paper, fiber arts and quilting.
- Produced, with support from Maryland Humanities, an app and a timeline that features many forgotten Maryland suffrage champions.

TOP LEFT: With a grant from members of the the Baltimore National Heritage Area, MWHC acquired a kiosk that introduces visitors to the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame. Diana Bailey (l) watches as Board member Sally Grant reviews her profile.

TOP RIGHT: MWHC board members competed for mini-grant awards at Baltimore Heritage's Preservation Celebration. The award funded improved technology for MWHC virtual programs.

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ABOVE: Dr. Amy Rosenkrans, MWHC Secretary, collaborated with the Historical Society of Harford County to talk about local women who fought for suffrage and voting rights.



TOP CENTER: As a new resident of Baltimore's Mt. Vernon neighborhood, MWHC participated in Doors Open Baltimore and Free Fall Baltimore for the first time.

ABOVE CENTER: Board member Kalin Thomas (seated) presented Kalin's Chronicles: Musings of CNN's First Black Travel Reporter in September, 2022.

ABOVE RIGHT: Sallie Wooddell Stuart recreated the life of Julia Ruhl during the dedication of a historical marker in her honor in July, 2022 in Mountain Lake Park, Maryland.



ABOVE: Kathi Santora, Board President (l) and Diana Bailey Executive Director, were guests at Mrs. Yumi Hogan's annual Night of the Arts Holiday Reception at Government House in Annapolis. Mrs. Hogan, a recognized artist and teacher, has been a staunch supporter of the arts in Maryland.

- MWHC will be among the women's advocate groups who will advise the National Park Service in their vision for the upcoming major restoration of the Clara Barton National Historic Site in Glen Echo, Maryland.
- MWHC collaborated with Digital Maryland to begin archiving MWHC printed materials and preserve our 30-year legacy of Maryland women's history.
- MWHC welcomed five board members who bring new talents and extend MWHC's representation throughout the state.

GRANTS RECEIVED

Baltimore Civic Fund: \$3,817

Baltimore Heritage: \$500

Baltimore National Heritage Area: \$7,500

Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts/
Free Fall Baltimore: \$500

Maryland Humanities: \$10,000

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