

**John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum  
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**THE JFK MUSEUM STORE**

The Museum Store is open during the holidays and winter. We are now working on a more robust website to host many of our items on a yearly basis. Our most popular items are our books and artifact pieces of art. The museum is proud to offer one-of-a-kind artwork created using materials salvaged from a historic preservation project of President John F. Kennedy's summer home in Hyannis Port, MA. These beautiful pieces of history were handcrafted by local Cape artists. Please visit our Museum Store or our website, [jfkhyannismuseum.org](http://jfkhyannismuseum.org).



**VOLUNTEERS, DOCENTS & INTERNS**

The museum is looking for volunteers to help part time during our busy summer months and also throughout the fall, winter, and spring. You will be an important member of the museum team, supporting our mission to educate and inspire while enhancing the experience of our visitors. Candidates interested in volunteering should email Jennifer Pappalardo, [jennifer@jfkhyannismuseum.org](mailto:jennifer@jfkhyannismuseum.org)

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*“Children are the world’s most valuable resource  
and its best hope for the future.”*

—John F. Kennedy

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WINTER 2018 A NEWSLETTER FROM THE JOHN F. KENNEDY HYANNIS MUSEUM FOUNDATION

## A LETTER FROM JOHN ALLEN

### 2019: A YEAR-ROUND FOCUS ON CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

The museum had a terrific year as we focused on enhancing our institutional commitment to fostering civic engagement. Our two new exhibits “Creating Camelot: The Kennedy Photography of Jacques Lowe” and “Robert F. Kennedy: Ripple of Hope” were well received by our visitors. Both exhibits conveyed messages relevant to current times as well as inspiration that reinvigorated the legacies of both President John F. Kennedy and Robert F. Kennedy. We are also very pleased with the success of the expanded Education programming and activities for youth across the Cape and Islands—details are noted in this newsletter.

Our focus for 2019 will provide continued momentum to the expansion of the relevancy and impact the museum provides to our visitors as well as to Cape Cod and Islands residents. For the first time, the Museum will be open year-round. From December 1 2018 through to mid-April 2019, the museum will be open Thursday through Saturday 10 am to 4 pm. Also, each Thursday at 10 am there will be cultural and educational programs featuring authors, speakers and screenings of past speaker programs.

We are excited about the renovations that will take place to create a Community Room with an expected completion date of Spring 2019. Within this space, we are thrilled to offer meaningful educational and cultural programs, including our Speaker Series. We will also have inbound streaming from both the John F Kennedy Presidential Library and the Edward M Kennedy Institute. This room will provide a convening space for local community organizations and serve corporate and private receptions and events at the museum.

Finally, my sincere thanks for the support of our generous donors. You have helped us make significant progress in upgrading the museum exhibits, creating meaningful civic engagement opportunities, implementing relevant education programming and cultural activities, and enhancing the facilities of the museum. I thank you for the continued support of the mission and vision for the future growth of the museum which will continue bringing meaningful impact to Hyannis and Cape Cod overall.



John L. Allen, *President*



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**Hours:**

**Nov 1 — Nov 30**

Mon — Sat 10am — 4 pm  
Sun 12 pm — 4 pm

**Dec 1 — Apr 30**

Thurs, Fri, Sat 10am — 4 pm

**May 1 — 31**

Mon — Sat 10 am — 5 pm  
Sun 12 pm — 5 pm

**Jun 1 — Oct 31**

Mon — Sat 9 am — 5 pm  
Sun 12 pm — 5 pm

**Closed Thanksgiving,  
Dec 24 & 25,  
Dec 31 & Jan 1**

**Victura Newsletter**

The Foundation's newsletter, *Victura*, is named after President Kennedy's 26-foot, Wianno Senior sailboat, built in Osterville in 1932 and a gift from his parents on his 15th birthday. He sailed it throughout his life.

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Representative Sarah Peake speaks to high school students

## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT: PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL IMPACTFUL MUSEUM EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Our Education Programs focus on civic engagement. Since January 2018, 2025 students, pre-kindergarten through high school, have participated in our classes. This winter we look forward to adding programming for adults.

Our first Cape and Islands High School event was Ambassadorship Day. We hosted sixty-seven students from fifteen high schools at the Museum. The focus was pathways to leadership. Panelists included local elected and appointed officials, and MA elected representatives. Representative Joseph P. Kennedy provided a compelling video keynote with a leadership message for the students.

The highlight of the fall season was our Candidates' Forum at Barnstable High School on September 21. Two hundred five high school seniors, eligible or soon eligible to vote, from ten Cape and Islands' high schools participated in a morning with all the Cape and Islands' Massachusetts Senator and Representative candidates.

The objective of the Forum was to facilitate students' active participation in the 2018 Midterm Election by providing direct communication on issues important to them, and to foster a deep understanding of their individual civic responsibility to vote.

Our keynote speaker was United States Congresswoman Niki Tsongas. She opened our program by sharing her professional experiences as a member of the House of Representatives.

The students then had the opportunity to divide into groups by MA Representative precincts, where questions they submitted were posed to the candidates. Ann Quirk, Town Clerk, Barnstable, shared the voter-registration process and timeline with the students. The final part of our program was a forum for the MA Senate candidates moderated by Geoff Spillane, Cape Cod Media Group.

Student feedback was exceptional.

"It was good to see Representative Tsongas speak directly with a veteran who benefited from her efforts to supply the military with better armor."  
"The candidates gave surprising and outside-of-the-box answers to the questions asked. It introduced me to local politics, and informed my own opinions on local matters."

On behalf of the Museum, we would like to thank our sponsors and participants: Barnstable High School, Cape Cod Media Group, Cape Cod Young Professionals, Niki Tsongas, Ann Quirk, and all of the candidates.

Their participation was integral to our impactful program.

Our goal is to empower students to be civically engaged, embrace individual differences, listen closely, and dialogue respectfully. We have added lessons on the United States Constitution, pre-kindergarten through high school. Our curriculum is developed by outstanding Cape educators with the collaboration of our Education Committee. We welcome you to check our website, [jfkhyannismuseum.org/youth-education-programs](http://jfkhyannismuseum.org/youth-education-programs) for a list of all our available programs, and teachers to contact us to schedule classes and/or visits to the Museum.



Robert F. Kennedy Jr. discusses his book "American Values"

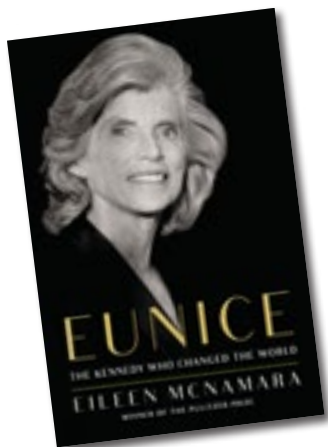
## 2018: NEW INSPIRATIONAL EXHIBITS AND PROGRAMS HIGHLIGHT THE KENNEDY FAMILY LEGACY

Two new exhibits, six Speaker Series programs, and a Founders' Community Service Award luncheon honoring Jung-Ho Pak, Artistic Director and Conductor of the Cape Symphony Orchestra, showcased the Museum during 2018.

"Creating Camelot, The Kennedy Photography of Jacques Lowe," opened in May. The exhibit, on loan from the Newseum in Washington DC, features intimate behind the scenes images of John F. Kennedy, his wife Jacqueline, their daughter Caroline, and other family members taken between 1958 and 1961. This beautiful exhibit will remain in the Museum for the 2019 season.

"Robert F. Kennedy, A Ripple of Hope," opened in July. This beautiful inspirational exhibit, created in collaboration with the Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights Foundation, honors the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his presidential campaign. His words continue to inspire us today, fifty years later.

Six outstanding speaker series programs allowed participants further insight into the life and legacy of the Kennedy family.



The season began with a presentation by Kerry Kennedy, sharing her book *Robert F. Kennedy, Ripples of Hope*. The book includes interviews with: Barack Obama, George Clooney, Gloria Steinem and others. Kerry shared that "it was a wonderful opportunity to spend time speaking to some of the leaders of our country and our world, who really made a difference, about how they view my father as their hero and how that's influenced their lives."

Eileen McNamara shared wonderful anecdotes about Eunice Kennedy Shriver from her book, *Eunice, the Kennedy Who Changed the World*.

We ended the summer with Robert F. Kennedy Jr., highlighting his book *American Values: Lessons I Learned from My Family*. He shared insight into growing up as a member of the Kennedy family. The biggest lesson he learned was the importance of social and environmental justice, ultimately becoming an environmental attorney.

Between Kerry and Robert Jr., we enjoyed presentations by Casey Sherman and Michael Tougias based on their book *Above and Beyond*, Gerard Doherty, *They Were My Friends – Jack, Bob, and Ted: My Life In and Out of Politics*, and we "went to the dogs" with Joan Lownds and Margaret Reed sharing their book *The Dogs of Camelot: Stories of the Kennedy Canines*. These presentations were done in collaboration with the Hyannis Public Library.

We thank you for your ongoing interest and support of the Museum. Please follow our website and social media to keep current on events and plans for the new season.

### Please Donate Today

Please join us in enhancing the Museum as a vital community resource. Your gift will help the Museum grow collections, acquire artifacts, enhance exhibits, and deliver meaningful educational and cultural programs for you, your family, and visitors. The Museum is 100% privately funded and we rely on your generous support.

### 2019 WINTER SPEAKER SERIES

Free lectures at the John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum, 10am

- Jan 10** John Whelan, Author of *I am Cape Cod*
- Jan 17** John Allen, JFK and the Cold War
- Jan 24** Brian Murphy, Adrift
- Jan 31** Cindy Nickerson, Cahoons and the Kennedys
- Feb 7** Joe Yukna, Cape Cod, the Cradle of Invasion
- Feb 14** John Allen, Growing up a Kennedy
- Feb 21** Emily Mezzetti, Cape Cod Children's Authors
- Feb 28** Screening of *RFK In The Land Of Apartheid, A Ripple Of Hope*
- Mar 7** Gene Guill & David Nordlander Screening & Discussion of *Kennedy Project*
- Mar 14** John Allen; Robert Luddington, Kennedy Family Interior Designer
- Mar 21** Emily Mezzetti, Honoring Women in History
- Mar 28** Gene Guill & David Nordlander Screening & Discussion of *Kennedy Project*

### Join Us!

The Museum welcomes the support of members of all ages. Members enjoy the benefits of free admission to all exhibits, advance notice of events, a 10 percent discount at the museum gift shop, and a newsletter subscription. Membership rates start at \$30 for students/seniors and \$40 for individuals. For more information about the benefits of Museum Membership and volunteering please call us at 508-790-3077 x3.