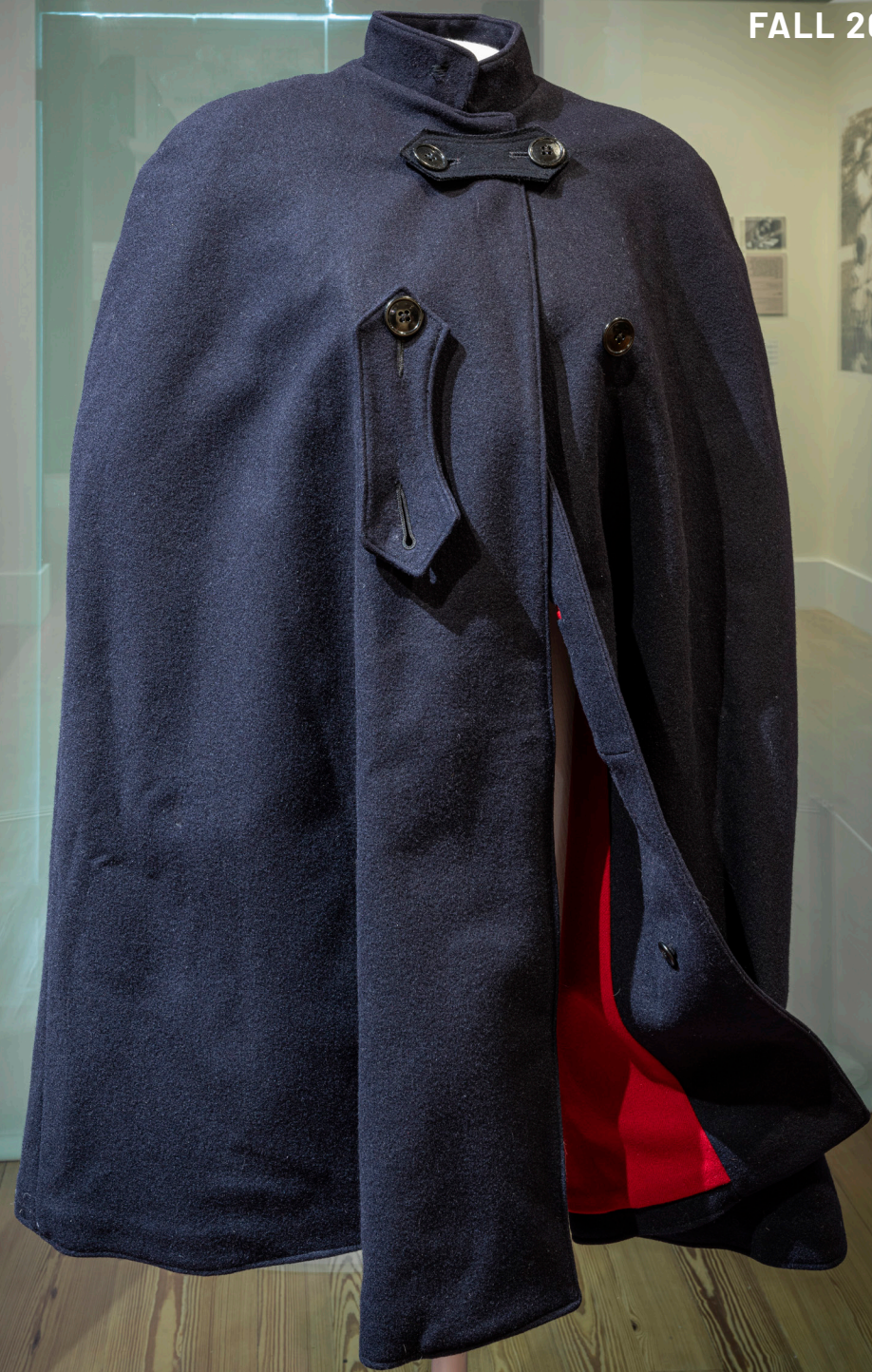


STATEN ISLAND
MUSEUM

FALL 2024



Dear Friend,

Fall is a wonderful time at the Staten Island Museum! Please make sure that you visit our major exhibition, *Taking Care: The Black Angels of Sea View Hospital* if you haven't already – it will be closing at the end of December. Use our new family discussion guide when you visit that provides info and prompts on the themes.

We are pleased to welcome the Soorya NYC Festival of Sri Lankan Culture & Traditions on September 14 and don't miss our signature event, the 74th annual Fence Show outdoor artist market and Biergarten on Sept 28.

October is Family History Month! SIM is proud to release a stunning *Taking Care* exhibition catalog, and we will have a family history workshop. Check out the program calendar for full listings.

Congratulations to our newly elected Board Chair Dolores Morris and officers (see page 8). I look forward to working closely with the board leadership.

Stay tuned for exciting developments with our forthcoming capital project as we prepare to expand into the connected building for a STEAM Education Center.

Next on view is *Breakdown: The Promise of Decay*, opening to the public on January 25, 2025.

I look forward to seeing you at the museum.

Warm regards,



Janice Monger
President & CEO



Imara Moore Photography

Did you know that you can host private events at the museum?

Speak with us today about hosting meetings, personal celebrations or photo and film shoots. To make a reservation and receive rental terms, please call 718-727-1135 or email: rentals@statenismuseum.org.

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74th Annual Fence Show & Biergarten

Saturday, September 28, 11:00am-5:00pm

Free, includes Museum Admission (Rain date Sunday, September 29)

Each year, the Fence Show transforms the Museum's front lawn into an outdoor gallery featuring local artists and craftspeople. See and purchase paintings, ceramics, prints, jewelry and textiles and take something original home from this longstanding festival.

The 74th Annual Staten Island Museum Fence Show is supported by lead sponsor Amazon and Richmond County Savings Foundation.



Biergarten at the Fence Show

12PM - 4PM

Scan to purchase advanced tickets or visit

www.statenismuseum.org/event/74th-annual-fence-show/

Join us for a drink and a snack at this popular addition to the Fence Show. The proceeds from Biergarten will benefit the Staten Island Museum.



For more information scan here:



LAST CHANCE: Closing on December 29, 2024

TAKING CARE

The BLACK ANGELS
of SEA VIEW HOSPITAL

Taking Care: The "Black Angels" of Seaview Hospital highlights the groundbreaking work, lives, and legacy of the "Black Angels," the Black nursing staff at Seaview Hospital in Staten Island who risked their lives to break racial barriers and care for tuberculosis patients. Featured in this exhibition is *Back and Song*, a meditative film and art installation by artists Elissa Blount Moorhead and Bradford Young.

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UPCOMING EXHIBITION: *Breakdown: The Promise of Decay*
Opening to the Public: January 25, 2025



Breakdown examines the vibrancy of decay, exploring notions of time, waste, and the in-between. It shines a light on the dark corners of the life cycle recognizing the oft-overlooked workhorses of the ecosystem. From mycelium to microplastics, this exhibition focuses on what breaks down and what does not.

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Part of the series *Mushrooms & Friends*, Phyllis Ma. Photograph, 2019

October is Family History Month

***Taking Care* Catalog Release!**

On sale in the museum gift shop + online

Join us in October to celebrate the incredible work of the "Black Angels" with an exhibition catalog featuring essays by scholar advisors Maria Smilios, Debbie-Ann Paige, Dr. Rita Reynolds, Lisa Holland, and Dr. Cynthia Connelly as well as thoughts from artists Elissa Blount Moorhead and Bradford Young. This hardcover book features an expanded list of Sea View Hospital nurses along with new images and nurse bios.

Special thanks to The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts and the Laurie M. Tisch Illumination Fund.



New! Taking Care Discussion Guide Available

This new family-friendly guide contains thoughtful questions aimed at sparking meaningful conversations and reflections throughout the gallery inviting visitors to examine the various themes introduced in *Taking Care: The Black Angels of Sea View Hospital*.
Made possible by the Mid-Island Rotary Club Foundation.

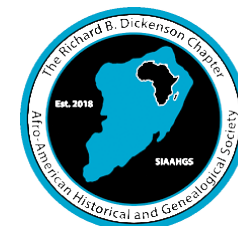
Hands-On Family History with AAHGS

Saturday, October 26

1:00pm-2:30pm

Free with museum admission

In celebration of Family History Month, join Debbie-Ann Paige and Robin Semple, Co-Presidents of the Staten Island Chapter of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society (AAHGS) to learn how to start a journey into your family history. This workshop will introduce a variety of methods and resources for family history research and preservation.





Soorya NYC Festival of Sri Lankan Culture & Traditions Presented by the Center for Traditional Music and Dance Saturday, September 14, 3:00pm-7:00pm

Free/Donations Welcome
Registration Recommended

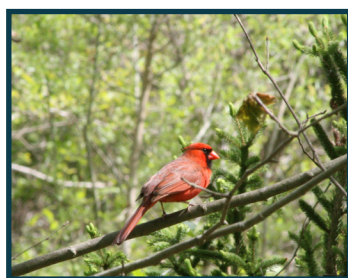


Soorya NYC presents folk and traditional arts to encourage cultural exchange centered on the local Sri Lankan community. Presented by the Center for Traditional Music and Dance, Soorya NYC helps to sustain the continuity of Sri Lankan heritage in NYC and share these traditions with the wider public. Throughout the afternoon and evening you can expect live music and performances, culinary delights, an artisan market, and family friendly activities.

Bird and Nature Walks Weekly on Wednesdays at 10AM

Join naturalists Ed Johnson and Ray Matarazzo with Director of Natural Science Colleen Evans on a guided walk through the borough of parks. Please check our website for dates and locations.

<https://www.statenislandmuseum.org/events>



Public Programs are supported by the Richmond County Savings Foundation

4th Annual Halloween Black Cat Scavenger Hunt Free with Museum Admission

It's Halloween all month long at the Staten Island Museum where guests of all ages can compete in our Black Cat Scavenger Hunt. This is a drop-in, ongoing activity taking place throughout the museum. Winners receive prizes and bragging rights!



Crafternoons: Winter Wreaths Saturday, November 9 1:00pm-3:00pm \$35/\$30 members



Give the gift of homemade with this craft-based workshop just in time for the holiday season. Make one of a kind creations for loved ones or decorate your own home and treat yourself! Enjoy coffee and tea while getting creative with your community.

Edible Island + Holiday Card Making Saturday, December 7, 11:00am-4:00pm Part of Holiday Hop at Snug Harbor Free/Donations Welcome

"Mmm!" your way through a market full of delicious local and regional treats to give this holiday season. This delectable fair is filled with specialty items and artisanal goods expertly curated by Staten Island Advance Food Editor, Pamela Silvestri.



Visitors can also enjoy a free holiday card making workshop. Personalize your gift giving with a homemade card and let them know how much you care.

The Staten Island Museum (SIM) **welcomes new board leadership** for 2024-2025 with six generation Staten Island native and Emmy-award winning Dolores Morris presiding as Board Chair.



Dolores Morris, Board Chair, previously served as SIM Vice Chair since 2015 and as a board member since 2009. Morris had an extensive career in television, serving as vice president for HBO Family Channel and is the recipient of 5 personal Emmy awards. Morris has deep family history on Staten Island and is granddaughter of the late William A. Morris, a respected businessman and humanitarian of Staten Island, about whom she wrote a book.

"I am honored to lead the Staten Island Museum as Board Chair, entrusted by my fellow Trustees to guide the institution into a phase of growth and expansion. SIM is committed to broadening its educational programs for youth and underserved communities, and that excites me," - Dolores Morris

With her professional background, commitment to youth education, history of board service, and deep family roots, Dolores Morris is poised to usher in a new era of the Staten Island Museum as the borough's museum undertakes a major capital renovation to add a STEAM Education Center.



Dr. Sarolta Takács has been elected Vice Chair of the Staten Island Museum Board of Trustees. Dr. Takács is Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences at the College of Staten Island. She serves as SIM's Collections Committee Chair and has been instrumental in collections policy updates.

Keisha Amey-Hambric has been elected Treasurer, having served as a SIM Trustee since 2017. Most recently, Amey-Hambric served as DEIA Chair and an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee. Amey-Hambric is Associate General Counsel at New York Life, where she has worked for 20 years. She resides with her family in St. George.



Serving as Secretary for SIM is **Dr. Michael Mantello** who joined the SIM Board in 2016. Dr. Mantello is the Director of NYU Langone Radiology on Staten Island and the President of Regional Radiology. He is a Clinical Associate Professor of Radiology at the NYU Grossman School of Medicine and serves on the Dept of Radiology leadership committee. He is a recipient of the da Vinci award from Wagner College for community service and has a particular interest in the museum's preservation of historical artifacts for the Staten Island community.

Officers serve for one-year terms and are elected annually. Staten Island Museum recently welcomed four new board members in 2024. The current Board of Trustees is 18 members strong with ex officio members serving to represent the Mayor and government agencies. The SIM Board of Trustees partners with President and CEO Janice Monger to set strategic direction and provide oversight.

SPECIAL THANKS

The board and staff acknowledge the exceptional service of **Daniel Jost** as Board Chair from 2019-2023, who will serve as Immediate Past Chair for the upcoming year. SIM expresses gratitude for Jost's thoughtful leadership, especially as he led the museum to successfully navigate the COVID-19 pandemic. Daniel Jost arranged for a Comedy Benefit Show in September 2019 featuring his sons Colin and Casey Jost and Saturday Night Live Weekend Update co-anchor Michael Che and guests, presented at the St. George Theatre, that raised \$50,000 for SIM. He was also instrumental in bringing the popular Impractical Jokers exhibition to the museum. Thank you, Dan!

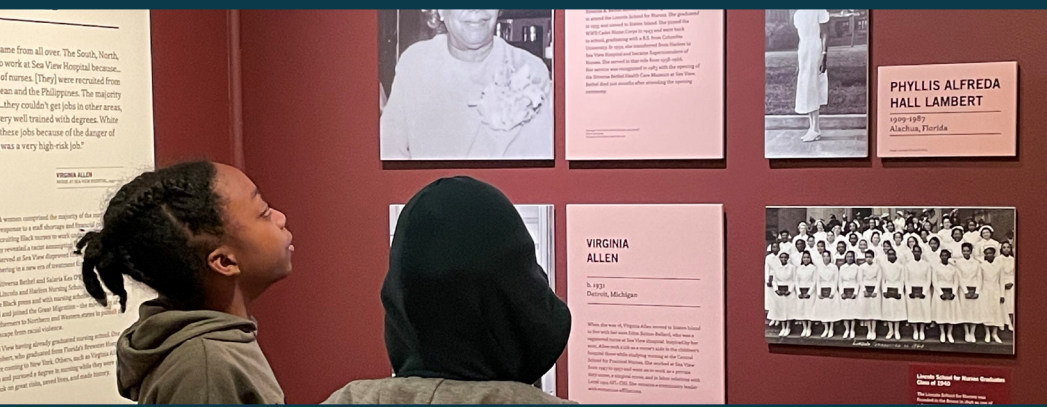


SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Art, science and history programs at the Staten Island Museum offer students and teachers an interdisciplinary and hands-on learning experience in the classroom or virtually. Museum programs support the NGSS, New York Scope and Sequence, and Blueprints for Teaching and Learning in the Arts standards, and include a wide range of STEAM-based lessons and tours for school groups from pre-k through high school.

To book a lesson for your class contact Education@StatenIslandMuseum.org or 718-483-7135.

To learn more about the education programs offered at the museum, scan here.



LOCATION AND HOURS

Staten Island Museum

1000 Richmond Terrace, Building A on the grounds of Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden. Two miles from the Staten Island Ferry via the S40 bus. Free parking is available.

Hours

Wednesday - Sunday, 11am - 5pm
Closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.

Staten Island Museum Front Desk

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Land Acknowledgment

The Staten Island Museum is located within Lenapehoking, the ancestral homeland of the Lenape people. We honor the significance of this land and wish to pay our respect to the Lenape communities, their Elders past and present, and future generations.

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Staten Island Museum President & CEO Janice Monger

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