

APHNYS 2010 Annual Award Recipients

Hugh Hastings Award

honoring a citizen or government official who works to promote, preserve, and stimulate interest in the history of New York State

The Honorable Catharine M. Young
New York State Senator - 57th District

Edmund J. Winslow Local Government Historian

Award for Excellence

honoring a Public Historian in recognition for excellence in one or more Public History projects or publications

Dawn Roe

Village of Port Byron & Town of Mentz Historian

Joseph F. Meany Award

honoring a Public Historian for excellence in preserving the Empire State's military and maritime history

Arthur S. Mattson

Village of Lynbrook Historian

Suzanne Meredith

Town of Union Historian

Excellence in Promoting Local History Award

for excellence in cooperation and promoting local history

The Warren County Historical Society
and 17 Public Historians of Warren and Washington Counties

David Cleutz

Civil War Historian, Author & Novelist

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

2010 Annual Awards Banquet



The Association of Public Historians of New York State
2010 Annual State Conference
April 19, 2010
The Hyatt Regency Hotel - Buffalo

Annual Awards Banquet Programme

Welcoming Carol McKenna, President

Presentation of Our Newest
Registered Historians Dr. Marilyn Van Dyke, Chair
Registered Historians Committee

The 2010 APHNYS
Annual Awards To be presented by:
Carol McKenna, President
John Scherer, 2nd Vice President
& Chair, Awards Committee
Gerald Smith, 1st Vice President
Robert Weible,
New York State Historian

Keynote Address *Memories of the Pan-Am*
Melissa Brown, Director
of Research & Interpretation,
Buffalo & Erie County
Historical Society

Conference Notes Rosemarie Tucker, Secretary

Closing Carol McKenna

Our Newest Registered Historians

Elizabeth Batlle
Town of Skaneateles (Region 9/Onondaga County)

Margaret H. Hadsell
Town of Vestal Historian (Region 10/Broome County)

Sarah B. Light
Town of Austerlitz Historian (Region 4/Columbia County)

Banquet Keynoter

Melissa Brown has always had a fondness for history and the stories associated with people's "stuff." Growing up in Lockport/Gasport area, she found her passion for the past rooting through Grandma's drawers and cupboards, during intriguing outings to the Niagara County Historical Society, and while "garage sale-ing" with her mom.



Taking passion to profession, Melissa graduated from Oswego State University in December of 1995, with a BA in History and a minor in Museum Studies. After leaving Oswego, she continued her education at Eastern Illinois University, earning a MA in Historical Administration.

In February 1998, Melissa joined the Buffalo & Erie County Historical Society's Staff as a Collection Assistant to inventory, photograph, and research BECHS's collection from the Pan-American Exposition for the 2001 Centennial Celebration. She was recently promoted from BECHS Collection Manager to Director of Research & Interpretation.