ABOUT THE GALA

The Museum of African American History’s annual Living Legends Awards gala commemorates the legacy of champions such as Frederick Douglass, William Lloyd Garrison, and Maria Stewart by honoring contemporary heroes and “sheroes” who have followed in their footsteps through the pursuit of equality, education and justice for all Americans.

Established in 2001, the Living Legends Awards celebrate today’s leaders of purpose who advance enlightenment, share the untold stories of Africans in America, and who promote uplift through their good works. The fierce bravery of abolitionists, the discipline of social, political, and business entrepreneurs, and the boundless curiosity of intellectuals are personified in our Living Legends.

THE STORY OF THE SILVER CUP

William Lloyd Garrison, Editor of The Liberator newspaper established the New England Antislavery Society in the African Meeting House and, shortly thereafter, made his first trip to England intending to raise funds for a school for colored youth. Before he left Boston, Garrison gave a farewell address at the Meeting House. The next evening at the home of George Putnam, Boston’s black leaders presented Garrison with a silver cup, the inscription read:

Presented to Wm. L. Garrison by his Coloured Friends
Freedom and Equality
United we stand and divided we fall
David Snowden P. Hall G. Putnam P. Howard C. Caples
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Boston, April 4th 1833

These men were leaders in community organizations, such as the African Baptist Church, the Boston Colored Temperance Society, the Prince Hall Masons, and the Adelphic Union Library Association. Their occupations included clothes merchant, hairdresser, caterer, and mariner. All were committed abolitionists and community builders. In the April 13, 1833 issue of his abolitionist newspaper, The Liberator, Garrison acknowledged the gift “as a pledge of your friendship and appreciation of my labors in that noblest of all enterprises, the rescue of the whole colored race from servitude and degradation.”

The original silver cup is part of the Sophia Smith Collection at Smith College.
Past Honorees
Beverly A. Morgan-Welch (2015)
Harry Belafonte (2014)
The Honorable Margaret Burnham (2014)
The Honorable Thomas Menino (2014)
George A. Russell, Jr. (2013)
Anna Deavere Smith (2013)
Cathleen Douglas Stone (2013)
James M. Stone (2013)
Dr. S. Allen Counter (2012)
Diane B. Patrick (2012)
Jim Rice (2012)
The Honorable William S. Cohen (2011)
Janet Langhart Cohen (2011)
Edmund F. Kelly (2011)
Marita Rivero (2011)
Dr. Augustus A. White, III (2011)
The Honorable Deval L. Patrick (2009)
The Honorable Carol Fulp (2009)
Charles Ogletree (2009)
The Honorable Alan Solomont (2009)
The Tuskegee Airmen, New England Region (2009)
The Honorable Denise Nappier (2008)
Kenneth Guscott (2008)
George Wein (2008)
Kenneth Gamble (2007)
Glendora McIlwain Putnam (2007)
The Honorable Edward M. Kennedy (2006)
Liz Walker (2006)
The Honorable Edward W. Brooke (2005)
Dr. James O. Horton and Dr. Lois F. Horton (2005)
Daphne Maxwell Reid and Tim Reid (2005)
Ruth Batson (2004, posthumously)
Cicely Tyson (2002)
Past Honorees (cont.)
Ossie Davis (2001)
Adelaide M. Cromwell (1999)
Lawrence Fish (1999)
James P. Furlong (1999)
Margaret Harrison (1999)
Marian Heard (1999)
Robert Karelitz (1999)
Massachusetts Historical Commission (1999)
The Honorable John Joseph Moakley (1999)
Robert Preyer (1999)
Janet Taylor (1999)
Benaree and Fletcher Wiley (1999)

African American History Awards
Drs. Linda A. Clayton and W. Michael Byrd, Award for Medical Research and Writing (2002)
Barbara White, Award for Nantucket History (2002)
Irene Smalls, Award for Children’s Literature (2002)
Northeastern University Press, Award for Publishing (2002)
The Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, Award for Preservation (2002)
Lois Brown, Ph.D., Award for Scholarship and Research (2001)
John Burchill, National Park Service (2001)
The National Park Service, Award for Community Service (2001)
The Honorable Julian T. Houston, Award for Jurisprudence (2001)
Helen Seager, Award for Volunteerism (2001)
Proctor Academy, Award for Education (2001)
Past Co-Chairs
Deval and Diane Patrick (2015)
Phillip and Cassandra Clay (2014)
William "Mo" Cowan and Stacy Cowan (2014)
Drs. James McCarthy and Magda Ghanma McCarthy(2014)
Greg and Michelle Shell (2013)
Sylvia Stevens-Edouard and Chelinde Edouard (2013)
Jackie and Windsor Glenn, EMC Corporation (2012)
Norman and Tina Lang, JP Morgan (2012)
Jerry and Cathy Sargent, Citizens Bank (2011)
Richard and Marcia Soden, Goodwin Procter (2011)
The Honorables Joyce London Alexander and Johnny Ford (2009)
Patricia and Ruben King Shaw (2009)
Dr. and Mrs. J. Keith and Angela Motley (2009)
The Honorable Carol and Bernard Fulp (2008)
Carmen Fields and Lorenz Finnison (2008)
Robert Gallery, Bank of America (2007)
Cleve Killingsworth, Blue Cross Blue Shield (2007)
Jackie Jenkins-Scott and Jim Scott (2006)
Harron Ellenson and Roger Snow (2006)
Michele Courton Brown and Philip Brown (2005)
Dorothy Terrell and Albert Brown (2005)
Peter and Rosanne Meade (2004)
Deval and Diane Patrick (2004)
Joe Feaster (2002)
Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and Sharon Adams (2001)
Leon and Sherry Wilson (2001)
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LIVING LEGENDS AWARDS

2015 Living Legends Awards
Deval Patrick, Marita Rivero, Beverly Morgan-Welch, Robert Rivers, Cathy Stone, and Jim Stone

2014 Living Legends Awards
Harry Belafonte and Margaret Burnham
2012 Living Legends Awards
Jim Rice, Robert Kraft, Diane Patrick, Beverly Morgan-Welch, and S. Allen Counter

2004 Living Legends Awards
Ted Kennedy, Bill Russell, and Beverly Morgan-Welch
Two young visitors viewing the *Color of Baseball in Boston (2012)* exhibit in the Abiel Smith School.

Park Ranger speaking to a group of students in the sanctuary of the African Meeting House in Boston.
A “full house” for a program in the African Meeting House on Nantucket

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