

2024 Honorees



Ahmed Dadou

Consul General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in the State of New York

Ahmed has over 15 years of experience within the Dutch diplomatic service, including postings in Pakistan, Afghanistan and Austria. He served as spokesperson for the Dutch foreign minister, and for the past six years, has worked as the chief of staff in the foreign minister's office in The Hague. Alongside his legal studies and career, Ahmed developed activities to empower socio-economically disadvantaged children in the "Randstad" – the densely populated center of the Netherlands. Thanks to his dedication to give back, Ahmed has built, and maintains, an extensive and diverse network in all areas of Dutch society and beyond.

In this anniversary year, we are so excited to connect with Ahmed and deepen the Dutch relationships with our house sites.



Peter Pennoyer

Principal, Peter Pennoyer Architects

Peter Pennoyer, FAIA, is an architect, writer, and the founding principal of Peter Pennoyer Architects. He has co-authored, with Anne Walker, five books on American architectural history. He was awarded the 2024 Driehaus Prize, the Arthur Ross Award and is listed in the AD 100. He uses his scholarship and knowledge of New York City to participate in the civic dialog among neighborhood groups, professionals, and government agencies by advocating for positions and designs he feels reflect the values of his firm: architecture that is contextual and respectful to the fabric of the city.

HHT celebrates Peter's commitment to an architectural practice that honors preservation and continuity with the past as it builds into the future.

Founding Mothers



Myra J. Biblowit

Myra Biblowit is a distinguished leader in the movement to end breast cancer, with a proven commitment to working as a global catalyst for change. During her 20+ year tenure as President and CEO of the Breast Cancer Research Foundation, Ms. Biblowit led the rapid growth of a strong, efficient, and highly regarded international breast cancer organization. Through her leadership BCRF is now the world's largest funder of breast cancer research, fueling significant progress with grants spanning 14 countries. During her stellar career in nonprofit management, Myra led successful capital campaigns for many of New York City's premier institutions, including the NYU Langone Medical Center, The Mount Sinai Medical Center, the American Museum of Natural History, and the Central Park Conservancy. She is a founding trustee of the Historic House Trust of New York City and has served on the Board of Directors from 1989 to present.



Diana Chapin

Diana Chapin is the longest serving current Commissioner of the NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission, and a Founder of the Historic House Trust. After teaching at Queens College and managing a local congressional office, she began a career in New York City government at the NYC Department of Parks & Recreation, where she oversaw NYC Parks' first community relations division, created the model and served as the first Borough Commissioner, and was Deputy Commissioner for Planning & Capital Projects. Thereafter, she was Deputy Commissioner of Administration at the NYC Department of Buildings and became the first woman to serve as First Deputy Commissioner of the NYC Department of Environmental Protection. She then served as Executive Director of the Queens Library Foundation for more than a decade. She is a member of the Municipal Art Society of New York and The New York Landmarks Conservancy, and received the Historic House Trust's Founders Award in 2014.

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Deborah Krulewitch

Deborah Krulewitch is a founding trustee of the Historic House Trust of New York City and has served on the Board of Directors from 1989 to present. As Executive Director of the Gracie Mansion Conservancy, Ms. Krulewitch spearheaded the restoration of the mansion under Mayor Ed Koch. This restoration helped to inspire the creation of the Historic House Trust. She retired as the Senior Vice President of Corporate Administration at the Estée Lauder Companies, and continues to consult for the Lauder Family on various philanthropic initiatives. She serves on the Boards of Directors for the Breast Cancer Research Foundation, Publicolor (Emerita), the Coalition for the Homeless First Step Program, and Innisfree Garden in Millbrook, New York. She served as Chair of the Historic House Trust from 2000 to 2006 and as Co-Chair alongside Franny Eberhart from 2006 to 2009.



Cynthia C. Wainwright

Cynthia C. Wainwright has worked passionately to preserve and interpret New York's history, safeguard and enhance its parks and natural areas, and make government more responsible and efficient. Ms. Wainwright boasts a distinguished career in City and State government and corporate social responsibility, having served in positions at JPMorgan Chase and Chemical Bank. She serves on the Boards of Directors of The Bridge, The Churchill School, the Children's Museum of the Arts, the American Classical Orchestra and the Roundabout Theatre Company. Ms. Wainwright is a founding trustee of the Historic House Trust, and has served on the Board of Directors from 1989 to present, serving as Chair from 1994 to 1997.