We Welcome Our Newest Volunteers...

Edith Patterson

As a lifelong Art & Architecture enthusiast, Edith Patterson is delighted to volunteer at our museum. Edith grew up in West Palm Beach and moved to Coral Gables after graduating from FSU. She is a retired Human Resources Manager who started, and currently runs an online store. In the past few years, she also worked for a local non-profit concerned with the impact of the built environment on health. Edith looks forward to making new friends and exploring the museum’s mission to help build bonds among the museum, its members and visitors. In her spare time Edith travels with friends and family.

We anticipate with pleasure getting to know Edith and learning more about her history of growing up in The Gables.

Juan Riera

A native of Little Gables, Juan Riera, as a youngster, attended school at St. Theresa in Coral Gables. After graduation from Christopher Columbus High School, Juan took his love of history to the University of Florida and Florida International University. Ultimately going on to Texas Tech University, Riera received his doctorate degree in History, Archeology and Museum Studies. Along the way he lived and worked at Mystic Seaport Museum in Connecticut during part of the filming of Ars matchups directed by Steven Spielberg. He also appeared in the movie, The Perez Family (sort of.) He portrayed a 17th century Franciscan Friar at an outdoor living history museum and in film. He appeared in an episode of History Detectives for PBS and has made several appearances on Spanish television programs focused on the history of South Florida. Dr. Riera has, for many years, also been involved with the tourist industry. He has presented lectures and conducted tours for Road Scholar, a travel agency specializing in tours to Dubai and India. In South Florida, he has led tours, in English and Spanish, out of the Port of Miami and Port Everglades. Some of his favorite tour destinations in Miami include Villa Viscaya, The Barnacle and the Coral Gables Merrick House.

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We are pleased to have Juan with us at the CGM and look forward to hearing many of his stories.

THREE CHEERS FOR VOLUNTEERS

To celebrate ‘National Volunteer Week’ the Coral Gables Museum, on April 10, 2019, hosted a special luncheon, organized and presented by CGM’s Director of Events, Ashley Magluda, for a dozen or more of its wonderful volunteers.

Following the luncheon, while staff and guests lingered over wine and deserts, the Museum’s Executive Director, John Allen, thanked the volunteers for all their dedicated efforts and linked their work to the steadily growing success of the museum within the Coral Gables community.

Jude Alexander the Museum’s Volunteer Coordinator, then presented a truly impressive collection of prizes which had been generously donated by various local organizations. Before handing out the awards, she described the difficult challenge she faced in deciding who would get what. In terms of effort and enthusiasm, everybody deserved the top prize. The final decision was based entirely on documented hours spent supporting the Museum’s many activities.

Prizes included gift certificates for delicious meals at some of the Gables’ favorite restaurants including Season’s 52 on Miracle Mile, Bulla on Ponce de Leon Boulevard, Ortanique on Miracle Mile, and The House of Perla on Ponce de Leon, donated by the Chamber of Commerce. Additional tickets were donated by The Actor’s Playhouse at the Miracle Theater on Miracle Mile and the Coral Gables Art Cinema on Aragon Avenue. Books and Books, next door to the Museum offered discount certificates as did The Business Improvement District of Coral Gables to be used throughout the business area.

Long-time volunteer, Nina Kennedy, was the lucky recipient of brunch for two at the Hyatt Hotel. Celita Lamar and Sandra Wisham each received a two-night stay for two at the Hotel St. Michelle. Accepting two certificates for the fabulous Sunday brunch at the Historic Biltmore Hotel was Gay Bondurant.

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VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING EVENTS
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FIRST FRIDAY MERCEDES-BENZ GALLERY NIGHT: May 3, 2019 6:00—10:00 PM
FOUR (6) VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
This event is being especially highlighted as there will be focus on The Portfolio Review Series which offers opportunity for individuals to meet local Miami artists and discuss their portfolios and ideas. Over refreshments, eight creatives will be available to talk about their working processes and references, past and future projects, dreams and other topics that go beyond what is seen in the gallery. This is an excellent opportunity to network and encourage other collaborations between presenters and attendees.

REGULAR ON-GOING EVENTS/TOURS: ONE (1) VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR EACH DATE SHOWN.
DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR— Each Saturday: May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2019 11:00 AM
“BUILDING THE DREAM” TOUR - Each Saturday: May 4, 11, 18, 2019 1:00 PM

“LAST WEDNESDAY” LECTURE OF THE MONTH: WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2019 6:30—8:30 PM
THREE (3) VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THIS EVENT.

THE SPEAKER FOR THIS MONTH IS FAHEEM MUJAHID, MASTER TRAINER, INTEGRATIVE HEALTH, MINDSET & PERFORMANCE COACH AND MEDITATION TEACHER. FAHEEM SPENT MOST OF HIS LIFE AS AN ATHLETE AND RECOGNIZED THE CONSTANT STRESS PEOPLE PLACE ON THEMSELVES SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY LACK THE PROPER UNDERSTANDING AND/OR APPRECIATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MINDFUL PRACTICE. HE UTILIZEZ HIS KNOWLEDGE BASE IN EXERCISE SCIENCE, NUTRITION, MEDITATION AND PHYSIOLOGY TO HELP INSPIRE THE CHANGE TO A BETTER LIFE.

EXHIBITS & HIGHLIGHTS

LUMEN LUCERNAE: THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF MIQUEL SALOM
SEEN IN GALLERY 109
FRIDAY, MARCH 1, THROUGH SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2019

Employing ancient photographic methods, similar to Daguerreotype, the artist depicts the beautiful trees of Coral Gables. The manipulation of light is key in this method. As light is the featured element it is appropriate that proceeds from the auctioning of the artist’s works will go to bring light into the homes of 2,000 people in the villages of Northern Guatemala.

MAKING HOUSE CALLS: THE FIRST PEDIATRIC CLINIC IN CORAL GABLES
SEEN IN THE ABRAHAM GALLERY
FRIDAY, MARCH 1 THROUGH SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2019
Starting with the founding of the first pediatric clinic by Dr. Warren Quillian in 1926, the story of the “Physicians to Children” is told through a series of documents, photographs and medical objects of the times including surgical tools, microscopes and even some actual medications.

CARIBBEE CLUB: BETWEEN THE LINES OF NATURE
TINA SALVESEN AND ELISA ALBO
SEEN IN THE FRANK GLENN GALLERY
FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2019 THROUGH TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2019
April is National Poetry Month and we are celebrating with the exhibition. Between the Lines of Nature: Tina Salvesen and Elisa Albo. The show is a creative dialogue between artist’s books and drawings by Salvesen and the poetry pages in Albo’s book, “Spring.” The public will enjoy works made specifically for the show, as well as Albo’s latest poem in response to her colleague’s visual input, titled “See Bottom of Page.”

Sea Level Rise in Our Back Yard...
An attentive group of over 60 members and guests gathered at the Coral Gables Museum on April 24, 2019 to hear Dr. Harold Wanless of the Department of Geography and Regional Studies at the University of Miami present a lecture on the accelerating rate of sea level rise and the devastating effects of this reality. Using power point diagrams, photographs, and personal anecdotes, Dr. Wanless described the projections of what the sea level rise—due to human-induced global warming—will mean for coastal areas all over the world, not just in South Florida. For example, storm surge height and devastation, the dangerous lateral push of water experienced in hurricanes, increases exponentially with rising sea levels. In another area of the world, predictions made in 2002 for the amount of loss in the polar ice caps in 2050 have already come true in 2019! Dr. Wanless’ highly informative and referenced account of where we are now and what’s ahead was concluded with further comments on the dire state of the earth and what we must do to stem this effect, if not able to reverse it! There has never been anything in past geologic record like this situation, and we must do what we can to get involved in educating others and supporting our leaders to find solutions NOW for long-term repairing of our stressed environment.

The good news of the evening focused on the beautiful, bountiful buffet of “Global Warming Chili” and related treats provided by the museum’s Chair of the Board, Lynn Bauer. Well done as always.