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**Award for Outstanding Achievement: Museum**

# Discovering The Real George Washington

**Donald W. Reynolds Education Center At Mount Vernon**

## **Owner:**

Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union with grateful acknowledgement to the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation.

**Exhibit Design Team** (as of the date of the Grand Opening, October 27, 2006)

## **Exhibit Concepts Team**

James C. Rees, Mount Vernon Ladies' Assn. of the Union  
 Chris Chadbourne, Christopher Chadbourne & Associates  
 Dennis Earl Moore, Dennis Earl Moore Productions  
 Dave Seibert, Museum Design Associates

## **Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union**

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 Stephen A. McLeod, Assistant to the Director  
 Anne M. Johnson, Desktop Publishing Specialist  
 Sandra N. Newton, Board Secretary  
 Ann Bay, Associate Director for Education  
 Nancy Hayward, Assistant Director for Education  
 Elizabeth Maurer, Project Coordinator  
 Christina Hills, Research Assistant  
 Stephanie Brown, Associate Director for Public Affairs  
 Emily Coleman Dibella, Director of Media Relations  
 Daniel E. Froggett, Manager, Special Events  
 Julie D. Carter, Associate Director for Development  
 Wendy Arminio, Manager, Research and Records  
 Pam Townsend, Manager of Membership Programs  
 Dennis J. Pogue, Associate Director for Preservation  
 Esther White, Director, Archaeology  
 Linda Ayres, Associate Director for Collections  
 Carol Borchert Cadou, Robert H. Smith Senior Curator  
 Mary V. Thompson, Research Specialist  
 Gretchen Goodell, Assistant Curator  
 Christine H. Messing, Assistant Curator  
 Mary Margaret Carr, Collections Manager

## **Former staff members:**

Thomas A. Lillis, Director of Design and Construction  
 Richard Dressner, Associate Director, Development

## **Mount Vernon's Consultants for the Donald W. Reynolds Education Center**

**Regan Associates**, Sean Regan, Owner's Representative  
**John Hill, FAIA**, Owner's Design Advisor

**Oculus**, Cultural Landscape Study

Liz Sargent, ASLA, Principal

**Project Cost, Inc.**, Cost Consulting

John Billings

**Turner Construction Company**, Cost Consulting

Tommy Thomas, Lead Estimator

Don Denman, Preconstruction Planning Executive

Susan B.W. Boggs, Manager, Business Development

James G. Davis Construction Corporation, Cost Consulting

Barry D. Perkins, Project Executive

**Kjellstrom and Lee, Inc.**, Cost Consulting

Peter S. Alcorn, President

Steven R. Keller & Associates, Inc., Security Design

Steve Keller, Project Manager

Steven Swen, Project Engineer

**Garrison/Lull, Inc.**, Environmental Systems

William P. Lull, Senior Conservation Environment Consultant

**PPI Consulting Presentation Planning, Inc.**, Audio Visual Consulting  
Bob Haroutunian, President

**Mount Vernon's Consultants for the Master Plan**

**Herbert Sprouse Consulting**, Preliminary Programming  
**Operations Research Consulting Associates**, Circulation and Pedestrian Flow  
**Kjellstrom and Lee, Inc.**, Design and Construction Advisor  
**Hugh Frost**, Signage  
**Barton Malow Company**, Cost Estimating

**Building and Site Design**

**GWWO, Inc./Architects**, Architect and Project Coordination  
**Architectural Design Team for the Master Plan**  
James R. Grieves, FAIA, Principal for Design  
David G. Wright, AIA, Principal-in-Charge  
Terry A. Squyres, AIA, Project Manager  
**Architectural Design Team for the Donald W. Reynolds Education Center**  
Alan E. Reed, AIA, Principal for Design  
Phillip W. Worrall, AIA, Principal-in-Charge  
Terry A. Squyres, AIA, Project Manager  
Lisa A. J. Andrews, AIA, Project Architect

**Design Consultants for the Master Plan**

**LDR International, Inc.**, Site and Landscape Design  
**Walter L. Phillips, Inc.**, Site Engineering  
**Henry Adams Inc.**, Mechanical / Electrical Engineering  
**Robert Silman Associates, PC**, Structural Engineering  
**Bill Wright, AHC**, Door Hardware

**Building and Grounds Design Consultants for the Donald W. Reynolds Education Center**

**EDAW, INC.**, Original Site and Landscape Design  
**Donovan, Feola, Balderson & Associates, Inc.**, Additional Landscape Design  
**James Posey Associates, Inc.**, Mechanical / Electrical Engineering  
**Thornton Tomasetti, LLC**, Structural Engineering  
**Urban Engineering & Associates, Inc.**, Site Engineering  
**George Sexton Associates**, Building Lighting Design  
**Acoustical Design Collaborative, Ltd.**, Acoustical Design  
**Simpson Gumpertz & Heger**, Waterproofing Consulting  
**Chesapeake Door Security Solutions**, Door Hardware

**Building Construction**

**Turner Construction Company**, General Contractor

**Exhibit Design**

**Christopher Chadbourne and Associates Exhibit Design**  
Christopher Chadbourne, President, Creative Director  
Eric Getz, Writer, Exhibit Developer, Project Manager  
Mary Ruggieri Macfarlane, Senior Graphic Designer  
Andrea Thompson, Graphic Design  
Julie Duncan, Graphic Design  
Peter Barton, (formerly) Project Manager  
Rebecca Looney, Research  
Felicia O'Keefe, Research and Logistics

**Exhibit Design**

**Museum Design Associates Exhibit Design**  
David T. Seibert, President, Design Director  
Douglas Flandro, Associate Designer  
Mark Foster, Associate Designer

Heather Hogue, Scenic Designer/Detailer  
Peter Nadeau, Associate Designer/Detailer  
Michael Smith, Modelmaker  
Antonino Treu, Associate Designer (Concept Phase)  
John Seeley, Associate Designer (Concept Phase)  
Sylvie Laborde, Associate Designer (Concept Phase)

**Multimedia Production, Theaters & Audiovisual Systems**

**Dennis Earl Moore Productions, Inc.**

**Media Concept, Content, Design & Production**  
**AV Systems & EFX, Design & Engineering**  
**Fabrication, Integration & Installation**

Dennis Earl Moore, President, Creative Director, Designer, Producer  
Douglas K. Dempsey, Senior Writer, Associate Producer, Historical Research  
Suzanne Morianz, Senior Graphics Designer, Illustration  
Anna G. Balow-Kassian, Operations Manager, Production Accountant  
Steven Meyer, Technical Systems, Visual Efx Associate Producer  
Richard Allen, Senior Editor, WatchOut Artist  
Jason Strougo, CGI - Animation Supervisor, Artist  
Tim Housel, Projection and Theater Design Technical Consultant

**Audio Design and Production,**

Damian Volpe, Sound Designer, Sound Re-Recording Mixer  
Matt Rucker, Sound Designer, Sound Re-Recording Mixer  
Mary Ruth, Voice Casting, Voice Production  
Phantom Audio, Audio Post Production Services

**Historical Consultants**

Don Higginbotham, Dowd Professor of History University of NC, Chapel Hill  
Edward G. Lengel, Ph.D., Associate Professor, University of Virginia  
David McCullough, Pulitzer Prize winning author  
Dave R. Palmer, Lt. General (US Army, Ret) Superintendent, West Point, 1986-1991  
Richard Patterson, Director, Old Barracks Museum, Trenton, NJ  
General Colin M. Powell, General (USA, retired)

**The Young Virginian Animation**

Jason Strougo, Animation Supervisor  
Jessica Milazzo, Supervising Animator Young Virginian  
Justin Simonich, Animator  
Chris Siemasko, Animator  
Nick Bertonazzi, Animator, Colorist  
Dayna Gonzalez, Animator, Colorist  
John Allemand, Storyboard Artist

**The Revolutionary War 4D Theater**

Washington's Crossing Shoot  
Tim Housel, Cinematographer  
Richard Patterson, Historical Consultant  
Amelia Dallis, Location Producer  
Kat Uhlmansiek, Production Supervisor  
Scott Currie, Location Scout  
Rich Nagel, HD Technician  
Jon Roemer, Gaffer  
Josh Schneiderman, Best Boy Electric  
Jesse Newton, Electric  
Rich Compeau, Key Grip  
Craig Harris, Best Boy Grip

Zack Galler, Grip  
Shaun Harking, Crane Operator  
Eric Fiorito, Set Designer  
Michelle Powers, Hair/Make-up  
Production Assistants: Damon Smith, Dan Kowalski, Jason Shatzburg, Heath Brandon

#### ***Washington Crossing Re-enactors***

Richard Patterson, Supervisor  
Donah Z. Crawford, Consultant  
Re-enactors: Charles Beale, Michael W. Bell, Leon Brooks, Robert Butera, William Crawford, James R. Gibson, Arthur J. Goble, Dan Kowalski, Gordon Languell, Ken Miller, Fredric L. Minus, Richard Patterson, Patrick Scheid, George Tatarintsev, Mark A. Turdo

#### ***2D-3D Computer Graphic Imaging***

Matthew Semel, Lead CGI Animator  
Gavin Guerra, CGI Animator Yorktown Sequence  
Chris Harvey, Storyboard Artist, Photoshop Artist  
John Allemand, Storyboard Artist  
Aharon Borland, CGI SNOW  
Napoleon Group, CGI Elements  
Juren David, Photoshop Artist

#### ***Theater Lighting***

Available Light, Steven Rosen, IALD, Theater Lighting Design, Programming  
A&E Television Networks/History Channel  
Libby H. O'Connell, Ph.D., Chief Historian Senior Vice President, Corporate Outreach AETN  
Virginia Kuppek, Director/Executive Producer HTV Productions  
Liz Soriano, Director, Media Resources  
John Delia, Archive Coordinator  
Brandon Boese  
Joe Egan

#### ***Revolutionary War Map Animation***

Dennis Earl Moore, Director  
Douglas K. Dempsey, Research, Design  
Jason Strougo, Animator, Graphic Design  
Suzanne Morianz, Photoshop Artist

#### ***The Legacy 360° Theater***

Brooklyn Youth Chorus Academy  
Gail Stone, Executive Director  
Dianne Berkun, Founder, Artistic Director, Conductor  
Joselyn Muhleisen, Chorus Manager  
Amanda Zenteno, Operations Manager  
Angela Batchelor, Office/Rehearsal Manager  
Adrienne Jackson, Receptionist

#### ***Music***

Joel Martin, Composer/Arranger/Performer  
***Brooklyn Youth Chorus Recording Session***  
Clinton Recording Studio  
Joel Martin, Session Supervisor  
Vito Liuzzi, Audio Engineer  
George Croom, Additional Vocals  
Michael Guy, Additional Vocals  
Brooklyn Youth Chorus Video Shoot  
Brooklyn Youth Chorus Academy, On-screen chorus  
Manfred Reiff, Director of Photography  
Othmar Dickbauer, Engineer  
Steven Meyer, Unit Producer  
Anna Balow-Kassian, Unit Production Manager

Leonardo Alvarez, Gaffer  
Pete McGill, Best Boy  
Sam Kretschmer, Key Grip  
Jesse Newton, Grip  
Danny Thomas, Assistant Director  
Matt Rocker, Sound Engineer  
Corey Gailit, Assistant Camera  
Mala Gammon, Production Assistant  
Rachel Phillips, Hair & Make-up  
Damon Smith, Production Assistant  
Keron Gammon, Production Assistant

#### ***David McCullough Shoot***

Tim Housel, Cinematographer  
Paul Rusnak, Sound Engineer  
Theresa Hunt, Stylist & Make up  
Jordan Young, Production Assistant  
Damon Smith, Production Assistant  
David McCullough, Author, On Screen Expert  
Dorie Lawson, Assistant to David McCullough  
Melissa Marchetti, Assistant to David McCullough

#### ***Colin Powell Shoot***

Stanley Staniski, Cinematographer  
Kathy Greene, Stylist  
Rick Patterson, Sound Engineer  
Jordan Young, Production Assistant  
General Colin M. Powell (USA, ret), On Screen Expert  
Peggy Cifrino, Assistant to Colin Powell

#### ***StudioEIS Shoot***

Michael Falasco, Director of Photography  
Christian Carmody, Engineer/Cameraman  
Anna Balow-Kassian, Associate Producer  
Jesse Newton, Grip  
Damon Smith, Production Assistant  
Keron Gammon, Production Assistant  
Ivan Schwartz & Elliot Schwartz, StudioEIS Owners

#### ***Audio Landscapes***

Douglas K. Dempsey, Writer, Production Supervisor  
Damian Volpe, Sound Designer, Sound Re-Recording Mixer  
Matt Rocker, Sound Designer, Sound Re-Recording Mixer  
Mary Ruth, Voice Casting, Voice Producer

#### ***Preliminary Systems Design Specification Costing***

Brian Phraner, Systems Engineer  
Dennis Earl Moore, Systems Design  
Steven Meyer, Technical Consultant/Lead Estimator  
Timothy C. Housel, Technical Consultant  
Paul Vershbaum, WatchOut Consultant

#### ***Final Engineering, Fabrication, Installation***

**Dennis Earl Moore Productions, Inc.**, Integration and Supervision  
Dennis Earl Moore, Integration Supervision  
Douglas K. Dempsey, Installation Supervision  
Steven Meyer, Installation team  
Rich Allen, Installation team  
Damian Volpe, Installation team  
Matt Rocker, Installation team  
Kyle Crosby, Installation team assistant  
Jason Greisinger, Installation team assistant  
Kyle Ann Lang, Installation team assistant  
Kristian Primdahl, Installation team assistant

**Subcontractor: Design and Production, Inc.**  
**Media Systems Division, Final Engineering, Control Systems, Fabrication, Installation**

L. Sue Lepp, Senior VP and Division Manager  
Dale Panning, Senior Systems Engineer  
Jonathan Bailey, Site Engineer and Lead Technician  
Patrick Barron, Programmer  
Maurice Morgan, Operations Manager

**Stewart Film Screens**

Patrick Stewart, Screen Engineering and Fabrication,

**Historical Research Special Thanks**

Boston National Historical Park  
Ethan Beeler, Supervisory Park Ranger  
Phil Hunt  
The Boston Public Library  
Roberta E. Zhong  
John P. Dorsey  
Colonial National Historical Park, Yorktown  
Mike Litterst, Public Affairs Officer  
Diane K. Depew, Supervisory Park Ranger  
Dave Frederick, U.S. Geological Survey  
Glider Lehrman Institute of American History  
Susan Seideman  
Jackie Levin  
The Gilder Lehrman Collection  
Sandra Trenholm, Curator & Director  
Ana Luhrs, Reference Librarian  
Massachusetts Historical Society  
Anne Bentley, Library, Curator of Art  
Kim Nusco  
Nancy Heywood, Collections, Digital Projects Coordinator  
New-York Historical Society  
Jill Reichenbach  
Washington Crossing Historical Park (PA)  
Michael Berthaud, Director  
Hilary Krueger, Curator  
Michelle Matz, Researcher  
Virginia Historical Society  
John McClure

**Exhibit Design Consultant Team**

**Robert Evans Murals, Inc.**

Robert Evans, Mural Artist  
**Available Light**, Exhibit Lighting Design  
Steven Rosen, IALD, Principal  
Derek Barnwell, Project Manager/Designer  
Mary Barnwell, Designer

**StudioEIS**, Forensic Reconstructions of George Washington  
Ivan Schwartz, Founder & Director—Executive Production  
and Art Director

Elliot Schwartz, Co-Founder & President  
BJ Ervick, Production Manager  
Jiwoong Cheh, Head Sculptor  
Stuart Williamson, Portrait Sculptor  
Sue Day, Paint, Hair Eyes Specialist  
Mike Wade, Molds  
Linda Baumgarten, Costume Consultant  
Steven Horak, Wigs

**Exhibit Fabrication**

**Art Guild, Inc.**

George Mayer, Vice President-Museum Services  
Gifford Eldredge, Director, Project Management  
Charles Fieger, Lead Estimator  
George Black, Lead Draftsman

Susan Groome, Lead Graphics Coordinator  
Robert Kidd, Shop Foreman

**Exhibit Fabrication Primary Subcontractors**

**Lexington**, Scenic Fabrication

Marie Matheny-Sinks, Project Manager  
Rick Graham, Technical Director  
Rick Willits, Technical Director  
Bryce Walmsley, Drafting Manager  
Dan Trupiano, Drafting  
Richard Bizzy, Production Manager  
Dave Conner, Lead Sculptor  
Ron Santellano, Sculptor  
Bobby Nelson, Carpenter  
Roberto Alvarez, Carpenter  
Jesse Rivera, Carpenter  
Mike Reynolds, Carpenter  
Patti Mondana, Scenic Manager  
Jim Hidde, Associate Scenic Manager  
Jim Pippier, Lead Scenic  
Linda Parker, Scenic Artist  
Dan Head, Scenic Artist  
Alicia Jacobson, Scenic Artist  
Erika Grisham, Scenic Artist  
Bill Johnson, Interactive Specialist  
Denny Kingsley-Symes, Lead Prop Master  
Kitty Youngs, Prop Master  
Steve Allen, Metal Lead  
Doug George, Metal Lead  
Skipp Shelley, Graphic Lead  
Brad Riggs, Estimating  
Abe Sahagun, Transportation Mgr.  
Rick Olson, Purchasing  
Greg Weinstein, Installation Mgr.

**Universal Services Associates**

Michael C. Myers, Vice-President

**In-Depth, Inc.**, Scenic Fabrication

**Meyvaert Glass Engineering**, Casework Fabrication

**P.R. Gulley**, Scale Model Fabrication

**Sanders Museum Services**, Artifact Mount-making/mounting

**Luxam Lighting**, Case Interior Lighting

**Electrosonic Systems, Inc.**, Technical Services

**A&E Television Network/History Channel Community**

**Outreach Video**

Libby H. O'Connell, Ph.D., Chief Historian Senior Vice  
President, Corporate Outreach AETN  
Virginia Kuppek, Director/Executive Producer HTV  
Productions

**Video Productions**

*Forensic Reconstruction*  
*George Washington and Religion*  
*A 40-Year Romance*  
*Von Steuben Training Video*  
*America's First Spymaster*  
*Canal and Lock*  
*George Washington and Slavery*  
*A Leader's Smile*  
*Presidential Precedents*  
*Farewell Address*  
*Nelly's Shocking Day*

**Mount Vernon Produced Video**

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