Annual Report of the Providence Athenæum

July 2017 - June 2018

The first Athenæum was founded by the emperor Hadrian in the second century CE, and it was meant to be a place to enrich the Roman soul. The Romans were a commercial and practical people, yet they recognized the value of such an enterprise, whose purpose was not material in nature, but rather something more important and essential to the human condition.

The citizens of Rhode Island recognize that value, too, and the Athenæum's happy year was only made possible thanks to you. In May we relaunched our Richmond Fountain, which fell into disrepair more than a decade ago. Due to the support of two generous donors, the Athenæum established a Special Collections Development Fund, and we are now exploring ways to add to our magnificent collections. Our membership grew, attendance at our public programs smashed records, and the Athenæum ended its fiscal year with an operational surplus.

But apart from the numbers and the bullet points — all of which are positive, and represent the labor of a tremendously dedicated board and staff — the Athenæum continued to be a place devoted to the enrichment of the human spirit. That is our most important function, and the only outcome that ultimately matters.

Thank you for all you do for the Athenæum.

Matt Burriesci
Executive Director

R. Tripp Evans
Board President

2017–2018
A YEAR FOR THE BOOKS

55,658
Patrons & visitors served by the library

7,691
Visitors to the Children's Library

1,273
Total memberships

60
Open hours per week

1
Historic fountain revitalized

Programs

121 *adult events*
6,861 *adult event attendees*
149 *children's events*
2,247 *children's event attendees*
66 *tours of building & collections*

Library Services

178,012 *items in collection*
1,704 *acquisitions*
26,286 *items circulated*
137 *reference questions*
51 *research appointments*

Programs

More than 9,000 people attended an Athenæum program in FY18. Pulitzer Prize-winning historians, major American poets, best-selling authors, and thought-leaders from a diverse range of disciplines visited the library to share their insights with our engaged membership. Notable speakers included Gordon Wood, Major Jackson, Jon Parrish Peede, curators from the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History & Culture, editors from *The New York Times Book Review* & *The New York Times* science section, and the creators of the hit podcast *Crimetown*, among many others. In our children's library, we offered 149 programs, featuring story time, music, film screenings, and special events.

The Athenæum partnered with multiple local and national cultural organizations, including the Smithsonian Institution, The New York Public Library, the Rhode Island Historical Society, Rhode Island Public Radio, Providence Children's Film Festival, Trinity Repertory Company, the English Speaking Union, Goat Hill Writers, the Edna Lawrence Nature Lab at RISD, and the Metcalf Institute for Marine & Environmental Reporting at URI.

LEFT: *NYT Book Review* editor Pamela Paul

FOLLOWING (L-R): Mayor Jorge Elorza and attendees of the Richmond Fountain Garden Party celebration; author Akhil Sharma; Tea with Madeline; Rock-a-Baby; Garden Party; artist/musician Michael Holman & NYPL's Tanisha Jones; *Crimetown's* Zac Stuart-Pontier

Highlights

- Garden Party to celebrate the Richmond Fountain
- Creators of *Crimetown*
- National Endowment for the Humanities Chairman Jon Parrish Peede
- Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Gordon Wood
- Rock-a-Baby

Collections

This year the Athenæum established the Hayden Special Collections Development Fund. For the first time in the institution's history, the library now has a fund dedicated to building and conserving its Special Collections. Our first significant acquisition through the fund was three exquisite plates from the *Description de l'Égypte*. We are indebted to the visionary generosity of members Brian and Lyn Hayden for establishing this fund.

We launched four major and 26 small-scale exhibitions, which attracted more visitors, students, and scholars to the Special Collections than ever before. *Observing Nature* in partnership with the Edna Lawrence Nature Lab at RISD was our most popular exhibit on record. The library hosted groups from more than a dozen area universities and schools to tour the exhibits, and special attention was paid to making the Rare Book Room exhibits accessible to our youngest visitors.

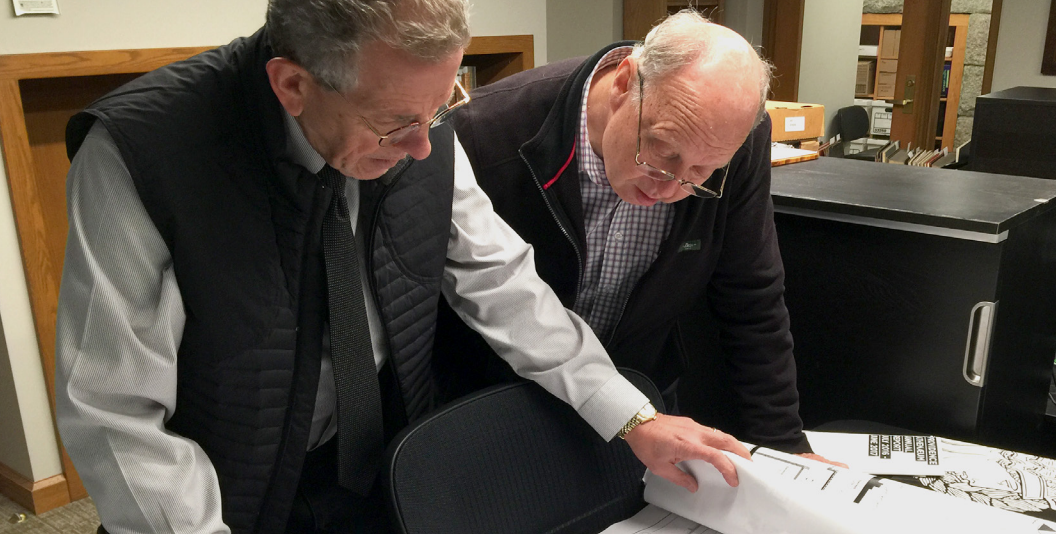
Due to generous grant support, more than 50 objects from the Art Collection have been digitized and cataloged in a new online database, and a conservator from the Northeast Document Conservation Center has been hired to prepare a preservation survey of the collection. And we are pleased to report that for the first time in over 20 years, every book owned by the library now resides at 251 Benefit Street, after more than 10,000 volumes were reclaimed from offsite storage.

LEFT: *Imaginary Worlds* exhibition

FOLLOWING (L-R): *Observing Nature* exhibition; exploring the card catalog; 15th-century illuminated breviary; Albertus Seba's *Cabinet of Curiosities*, 1734-65; author Daniel Mendelsohn viewing the *Collecting the Classics* exhibition; portrait of Cyrus Butler, 1849, photographed for the Digital Archive project

Exhibitions

- *Of Classic Proportions: The Building of the Providence Athenæum*
  June – September 2017
- *Imaginary Worlds: Storytelling in Words & Pictures*
  October 2017 – January 2018
- *Collecting the Classics*
  January – March 2018
- *Observing Nature: Edna Lawrence & Cabinets of Curiosities*
  April – June 2018



Buildings & Grounds

In May, the Athenæum revitalized the Richmond Fountain, which had not flowed for more than a decade. Over 600 people registered for its relaunch ceremony, which was attended by Mayor Jorge Elorza and covered in multiple national news outlets. The Richmond Fountain was installed on Benefit Street in 1873 and ranks among the first public drinking fountains in the entire country. A legend persists that anyone who drinks from the fountain is destined to return to Providence. We are very grateful for the support of Richard Gilbane and Candy Adriance, whose generous donations made this possible.

Thanks to the support of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Athenæum was able to conduct numerous assessments of its building, collections, and systems this year. These reports, assembled over 12 months by an experienced team of architects, engineers, conservators, and electricians, will provide the Athenæum with the framework to preserve and enhance the institution in the coming years, and effect critical repairs and preventive maintenance.

LEFT: Consultants Michael C. Henry and Richard Kerschner conduct a review of the Athenæum's systems; Malone Plumbing & Heating work to restore the Richmond Fountain; member Carl Farmer drinks from the revitalized fountain during the Garden Party celebration

Treasurer's Report

The fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 found the Athenæum in its strongest financial position in several years.

Revenues improved in nearly every category, including membership (8%) and fundraising (2%). Facility rentals increased by 89%, after growing by 234% in FY17. While funding for capital projects declined by 77%, grants received in the previous year will be applied to work conducted in FY19.

Investment income designated for operations declined by 17%, due to a disbursement in FY17 for roof repairs and the abatement of hazardous materials (asbestos). The Athenæum's endowment grew by 2.5% in FY18, after accounting for draw for operations. Total net assets increased by 4.4%, to $12,948,991.

Expenses were down by 17%, largely owing to work related to capital projects completed in the previous fiscal year. Other notable changes in expenses related to buildings and grounds, which increased due to several previously deferred maintenance projects that were made possible by the Athenæum's recently established Building & Reserve Fund, created following receipt of a generous bequest. Personnel expenses were largely unchanged.

Overall, the library's financial position remains strong, and, for the second consecutive year, the Athenæum ended the fiscal year with a surplus.

Bradford M. Gibbs, Treasurer

INCOME STATEMENT

REVENUE	FY18	FY17
Membership	$181,518	$167,938
Fundraising	$365,803	$358,836
Capital Projects Funding	$52,976	$227,056
Facility Rental	$36,750	$19,410
Bequest	$0	$100,000
Trust Funds	$38,632	$38,049
Miscellaneous	$25,098	$26,865
Investment Income for Operations	$495,829	$599,198
TOTAL REVENUE	$1,196,606	$1,537,352
EXPENSES		
Personnel	$797,813	$803,031
Library Materials	$43,239	$39,283
Library Services & Management	$41,319	$48,377
Programs	$31,966	$33,210
Communications & Marketing	$14,636	$11,994
Membership & Development	$39,330	$40,156
Building & Grounds	$68,286	$50,674
Capital Projects Expense	$52,976	$313,704
General Office & Admin.	$100,080	$103,114
TOTAL EXPENSES	$1,189,645	$1,443,543
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	$6,961	$93,809

Note: the above financial information presents only unrestricted operating activity before fixed asset capitalization or depreciation. Revenue and expense for special projects are included only as net assets are released from restrictions. Further details are published in the audited financial statements available through the accounting department.

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	FY18	FY17
Cash	$442,592	$96,679
Endowment	$10,744,136	$10,472,381
Receivables	$36,775	$40,064
Prepaid Expenses	$16,790	$32,610
Inventory	$4,992	$4,740
Fixed Assets*	$1,703,706	$1,746,949
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,948,991	$12,393,423
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	$10,594	$6,489
Accrued Expenses	$38,487	$44,152
Deferred Revenue	$12,975	$6,925
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$62,056	$57,566
EQUITY		
Unrestricted	$10,165,577	$10,000,619
Temporarily Restricted	$1,232,475	$854,305
Permanently Restricted	$1,488,883	$1,480,933
TOTAL EQUITY	$12,886,935	$12,335,857
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	$12,948,991	$12,393,423

**Fixed assets are listed here net of accumulated depreciation.*

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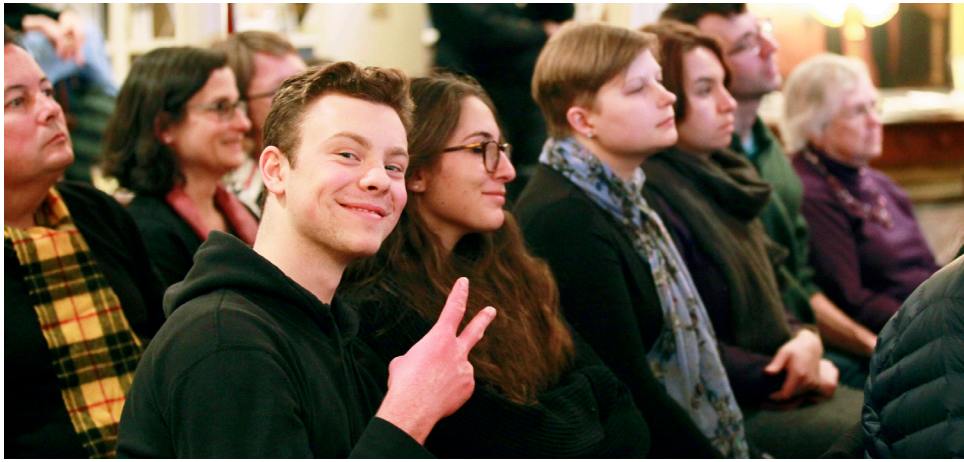

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