In addition to our semi-permanent Your Story exhibition, we presented six original temporary exhibitions.

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March 11 - April 16, 2017: For Art's Education month in early spring, students from the Hayward high schools presented Identity. This art show engaged with race, ethnicity, gender, religion, age, politics, world view, personality, individual characteristics, what we have in common, and how we differ.

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McConaghy House: In addition to regular open weekends once a month, we also offered 12 additional special tours and programs. We served 553 visitors at the house in total.

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July 7-September 10, 2017: Arts & Letters presented by the Hayward Arts Council. All of the artworks creatively included at least one or more words.

September 30-November 26, 2017: our annual Day of the Dead exhibition explored this cultural tradition.

Education

In 2017, HAHS provided 146 In-Class Presentations, Tours, and Discovery Kit rentals serving a total of 4,279 Hayward area students. This was an increase over previous years.

Historic Properties

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We planned ten different programs geared towards adults at the museum, serving 468 visitors. These programs included the Annual Black History Month Lecture, the Black History Month Open Mic Night, the Hayward Area Film Festival, Speaking for Ourselves: A Panel of Your Muslim Neighbors, the three part Summer Dance Series, the Unmentionable Lecture, the Day of the Dead lecture, and the CSUEB Public History Class Presentations.

We presented two Family Program series: Toddler Time (with 11 programs throughout the year) and History for Half Pints (with 6 programs throughout the year). Toddler Time quickly gained popularity in the summer and we had 104 children and their families take part in the stories and crafts. This year’s popular History for Half Pints program was the Day of the Dead Program bringing in 132 people to the Museum. In total the series saw 283 patrons.

HAHS volunteers logged 3,877 hours of service.

Research Library

Over 320 research requests were answered in the Research Library this year. An additional 310 people ranging from genealogists to property researchers and students visited the library.

2017 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Revenue

Fundraising and Earned Income $240,109
Investment Income $708,698
Revenue and other support $150,093

Expenses

Archives, Collections, Education, Exhibitions $1,138,870
Administration $407,265

Change in net assets $(496,216)
Net Assets at Beginning of Year $10,606,219
Net Assets at End of Year $10,110,003

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2017 History Awards Honorees

Historic Preservation Award
Former Caltrans properties at 1436, 1442, 1456, & 1473 B Street; 1421, 1431, & 1444 Creek Street, and 22589 Chestnut Street

Historic Business Award
Rowell's Saddlery & Western Wear
Gumb's Barber Shop

Historic Organization Award
AAUW Castro Valley/Hayward Chapter

John Sanford Award
Brian Morrison

Community Service Award
Luzelle Largo

Randy VanderHolt

Educator of the Year
Sandra Navarro

Linda Hey

History Maker Award
Friends of the Hayward Public Library

Historic Organization Award
Dana Hamilton
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