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Stanley-Whitman House Receives Official Citation from General Assembly

Congratulatory Citation presented to Executive Director Andres A. Verzosa by State Representative Mike Demicco in Recognition of Two Recent Awards

FARMINGTON, CT – Stanley-Whitman House, a ca. 1720 National Historic Landmark located in the historic village of Farmington, received an official citation from the General Assembly for receiving two prestigious 2023 Awards of Merit from the Connecticut League of History Organizations. State Representative Mike Demicco presented the citation to Andres A. Verzosa, Executive Director of the Stanley-Whitman House, on Sunday, June 25, 2023.

In April 2023, *Memento Mori, Farmington, Connecticut – Remember Death*, the Museum's first book and publication about this ancient burial ground, and *The Last Night*, an original play commissioned and produced by the Museum's Mary Barnes Society, each received a CLHO Award of Merit, the former for providing "a beautiful, readable and engaging history of colonial Farmington," and the latter for its "ability to help the audience connect powerfully to events deep in the past." CLHO's annual Awards of Merit recognize excellence in preserving and interpreting history by individuals and organizations here in Connecticut. The General Assembly's citation congratulates Stanley-Whitman House for producing works that "illuminate our rich cultural heritage of Connecticut and make history meaningful by connecting the past with the present day."

Stanley-Whitman House, a National Historic Landmark, is a living history center and Museum that teaches through the collection, preservation, research, and dynamic interpretation of the history and culture of 17th- to 19th-Century Farmington, Connecticut. Visitors of all ages are encouraged to immerse themselves in history by doing, acting, questioning, and engaging in colonial life and the ideas that formed the foundation of that culture. The Museum facility is centered on a ca. 1720 house furnished with period antiques. Surrounding the house are periodraised bed gardens, an apple orchard, and heritage stone walls. The Museum manages Memento Mori, Farmington's ancient burial ground on Main Street, Scott Swamp Cemetery on Route 6, and the Village Green, at the intersection of Routes 4 and 10. Stanley-Whitman House is partly supported by the Farmington Village Green and Library Association. Hours of operation are Wednesday through Saturday, 12:00 to 4:00 pm, and by appointment. The last tour leaves at 3:00 pm. For more information, visit https://s-wh.org/.