

31ST MARYANN HARTMAN AWARDS Honoring Legendary Maine Women Wednesday, March 28, 2018

The Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program

Gender and sexuality are fundamental categories of social organization and power. Our program examines gender and sexuality as they intersect with race, ethnicity, class, ability, nationality, and other sites of social inequality. As a discipline grounded in women's studies, we seek to enhance awareness of women's contributions, and their struggles. We affirm a feminist commitment to social justice and engaged citizenship as we collaborate across disciplinary boundaries to transform knowledge, practices, and institutions.

The WGS program collaborates with the Rising Tide Center and other campus partners to provide academic and professional development experiences that foster a more supportive and inclusive climate for faculty, staff and students.

Beyond the Maryann Hartman Awards, WGS honors women's achievements by celebrating Women's History Month each year in March. Other initiatives include co-sponsorship of *Girls Rock*, and *Expanding your Horizons*, events for elementary and middle school girls, and a newly introduced *Next Gen Feminists* conference for high school girls. Sponsoring these, and other relevant events, and engaging guest speakers and performers that address contemporary issues greatly enrich UMaine and our communities.



PROGRAM

Welcome

Susan J. Hunter President, University of Maine

Introductions

Susan Gardner Director, Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies and Rising Tide Center

Tribute to the Maryann Hartman Awards Donna Loring 1999 Maryann Hartman Award Recipient

UMaine Renaissance Singers

Maryann Hartman Awards Presentations

Rev. Kate Braestrup JoAnne Dauphinee Margaret Rotundo Chandler Woodcock Janet May Mary Cathcart

Closing Remarks

Emily Haddad Dean, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

> Reception Leadership Hall



2017-2018 Maryann Hartman Awardees and Presenters

Reverend Kate Braestrup, Recipient

Unitarian Universalist minister, acclaimed author, and popular public speaker, Kate Braestrup divides her energy between her work with the Maine Warden Service, writing fiction and non-fiction (including a blog), and inspiring audiences as diverse as the American College of Surgeons and the FBI. New York Times Bestselling author of *Here If You Need Me*, since 2001 Kate has traveled with Maine wardens as they search for explorers who have lost their way. As a chaplain for the warden service, Kate brings comfort to families as they await and receive news of their loved ones.

Commissioner Chandler Woodcock, Presenter

Chandler Woodcock is a Maine native and a Vietnam veteran. He received his bachelor's degree in secondary education from the University of Maine at Farmington, subsequently teaching English for 25 years and coaching the Mt. Blue High School girls basketball team to two Class A state championships. Woodcock, who served as a state Senator from 2000-2006, was Maine's Republican gubernatorial candidate in 2006. Chandler and his wife, Charlotte, are proud parents of four children, and grandparents to thirteen.

JoAnne Dauphinee, Recipient

JoAnne Dauphinee is known as a feminist community organizer and Activist. A founding member of Maine NOW, a chapter of the *National Organization for Women*, she served on the board for more than 30 years including as *Maine NOW Times* editor and Legislative and State Coordinator, among other roles. She has organized advocacy action in Maine and beyond, including ERA walkathons, speak-outs on sexual harassment, and events in support of women's rights, worker's rights, and human rights, and economic, reproductive, and sexual justice. Jo co-founded the Maine Coalition for Human Rights, Maine Lesbian/Gay Political Alliance, the Maine Women's Lobby and numerous other social justice organizations. Her efforts to counter "hate your body" culture inspired larger movements such as *Hardy Girls/Healthy Women*, and *Health at Every Size*.

Janet May, Presenter

Janet May is the Coordinator of Transition and Adults at UMaine's Center for Community Inclusion and Disability Studies. Her work is exemplified by her leadership in the Summer Work for ME program, a project that allowed high school students with developmental disabilities to explore their strengths and interests while cultivating career awareness. Janet remains a persistent and thoughtful advocate, often working behind the scenes to enhance the quality of life for all Maine's people.

Margaret Rotundo, Recipient

Margaret "Peggy" Rotundo began her career in public service as a Lewiston school committee member in 1994. Her efforts to advocate for accessible, quality education continued as she served in the Maine Senate from 2000-2008, and in the House from 2008-2016. In 1995, Peggy co-founded the Center for Service Learning at Bates College, a nationally recognized program that links students to their community through service learning. Known today as the Harward Center for Community Partnerships, she continues her work there as the Director for Strategic and Policy Initiatives. Here, as in her previous work, Peggy seeks to connect stakeholders committed to solving community problems with mutual respect. The theme that connects Peggy's public and professional careers remains a desire to eliminate injustice by advocating for education for all, and equality for women.

Mary Cathcart, Presenter

Mary Cathcart served as a State Representative from Maine's 32nd District from 1988 to 1994, and as a State Senator from 1996-2004. In 2004 she joined the Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center at the University of Maine, launching the Distinguished Maine Policy Fellows program in 2006. Since 2009, she has directed *Maine NEW Leadership*, a program she developed to engage, educate, and empower young women to accept and to thrive in political and civic leadership roles.

The Maryann Hartman Awards

Maryann Hartman

After receiving a Ph.D. from Bowling Green State University in 1969, Maryann Hartman joined the University of Maine faculty as an assistant professor and director of forensics. A pioneer in the field of oral interpretation, Hartman studied communicative arts from historical, rhetorical, and aesthetic perspectives. Her research included comparisons of language patterns of Maine women and men born before 1900, oral autobiographies of Maine women born before 1900, and the use of oral interpretation to influence public policy. Teacher, scholar, advocate, friend, mother, a woman of courage and vitality, Maryann Hartman died of cancer in 1980 at the age of 53.

About the Awards

Named for the late Professor Hartman, outstanding teacher and scholar in Speech Communication at the University of Maine, the award honors the spirit, achievement and zest for life that she epitomized. This award recognizes distinguished Maine women and their accomplishments in arts, politics, business, education, and community service. The work of the women selected provides inspiration to others and demonstrates the contributions of these individuals to the state of Maine. Presented annually, the awards increase campus and community awareness of contemporary women's accomplishments.

Awards Artists

Harriet Rawle Hemenway of Stonington produced the original award pin design, crafting the pins for thirteen years. This year, Laura Friedman of Cumberland handcrafted the pins. The certificates, originally designed by Jan Owen, were crafted by LeeAnne Mallonee of Bangor.

2017-2018 Maryann Hartman Awards Committee



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