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The Center of Early American Clockmaking

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Willard House & Clock Museum Announces the David G. Gow Memorial Scholarship For Horology

An annual scholarship program dedicated to professional careers in clockmaking

North Grafton, MA: As part of a long-term plan to support the study of horology (the study of time and timekeepers) and aid those working toward a professional career in clockmaking, the family of former Willard House & Clock Museum conservator, David G. Gow has launched an annual scholarship.

"The professional career path of conservator-level clockmaking is not well defined", says Robert C. Cheney, Willard's Executive Director, "Unlike a century ago, formal apprenticeship programs are scarce and any funding difficult to obtain."

The Gow family, following David's strong wishes, along with the collaboration of the museum trustees and staff, established the memorial scholarship to help worthy students obtain this specialized training. The details:

- Any US-based student that has begun the journey into the profession of clockmaking qualifies.
- \$5,000 will be awarded and the money may be used attend advanced courses provided by various clock and watch making schools across the country.

Applications are due by November 14. The first scholarship recipient will be announced at the beginning of December 2022.

To learn more about the Memorial Scholarship for Horology, go to: https://willardhouse.org/david-gow-scholarship

About Willard House and Clock Museum

Celebrating its 50th Anniversary.

Located at 11 Willard Street in North Grafton, MA, Willard House and Clock Museum exhibits more than 90 Willard clocks in the birthplace and original workshop of the

Willard clockmakers, along with family portraits, furnishings and other family heirlooms. The work of all three generations of Willard clockmakers, focusing on the famed brothers, Simon Willard and Aaron Willard are displayed. The Museum tour includes the original Willard House built in 1718, the original 1766 clock-making workshop, and three modern galleries.

Willard is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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