## **2018 ANSM Award Citation**

The Association of Nova Scotia Museums (ANSM) continues for a sixth year, the Award for Excellence in Museum Practices. Since 2013 we have laid a path to acknowledge and celebrate individuals, volunteer or paid, who have made remarkable contributions to a better knowledge of Nova Scotia's human or natural history.

In the past years we presented the ANSM Award to Ms. Heather Watts in 2013, Mr. Ken Adams in 2014, Ms. Lynn Hayne in 2015, Ms. Maggie MacIntyre in 2016 and Ms. Sheryl Stanton in 2017.

We encourage you to start thinking now about nominations for next year, as the Awards Program is an important way to honour and recognize those who have dedicated their life's passion to telling un-told stories and sharing the past. Most of the work that is done in the museum community, is done with little or no recognition. The determination and passion of sharing a rich culture and history keeps us continually moving forward. The ANSM Awards program pays tribute to us all, who work endlessly for a cause. Stay tuned to the ANSM website and Beacon newsletter early in 2019 when the next round of nominations begins. Nominate someone.

ANSM consists of more than 100 member organizations and individuals. Using a regional representation model, the Association champions museums through education, outreach, networking and advocacy to achieve excellence.

Over the past year, the dedicated work of the ANSM board and Awards committee members, Co-Chairs Del Muise and Russell Grosse, members; Lynn Hayne, Ken Adams, Maggie MacIntyre and our Executive Director Anita Price, have made this year's award presentation possible.

This year ANSM is pleased to present the Award of Excellence in Museum Practices, Individual Contribution to Peter Crowell of the Argyle Township Court House & Archives.

Peter has a career in the Nova Scotia culture and heritage sector that spans over 30 years. A founding member of the Argyle Municipality Historical & Genealogical Society, Peter has worked tirelessly to preserve and share the important history of

the area, producing a unique publication that chronicles the stories, people and communities in the Municipality of Argyle. His work and innovation have led to remarkable community support of the history in the Argyle area. Peter has been very generous with his knowledge, mentoring and willingness to share and assist others. During his extensive career he has been the driving force behind many successful projects such as seeing the local museum designated as a National Historic Site and the leadership behind the state of the art Archival facility in Argyle.

Peter demonstrated exemplary museum practices through innovative exhibits, creative programs and the sharing of human history.

Peter has made an incredible impact on the museum and genealogy sector making it his life's work to share an important part of history and provide the management for long-term stewardship and preservation. The ANSM Award of Excellence in Museum Practices, Individual Contribution 2018 is presented to Mr. Peter Crowell.

