



#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

All Events are held at  
Kingmill's Mounts Bay  
Recreation Center  
at 10am  
\*unless otherwise noted

#### January 16, 2026:

“Antique Dolls”  
Speaker Ann Coleman

#### February 20, 2026

\*Jamestown Settlement  
“Following the Dragon:  
Chinese Ming Porcelain”  
Speaker Bly Straube

#### March 20, 2026:

“Depiction of American  
Landscape: Hudson River”  
Speaker Jeffrey Allison

#### April 17, 2026:

“Women of the Revolutionary  
War”  
Speaker KJ Proctor

#### May 15, 2026:

\*Ford's Colony Country Club  
Luncheon & Board Member  
Installation-2026-27

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# VINTAGE VOICE



## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Hello Ladies!

I understand that the December luncheon was wonderful and festive, with lighted Christmas trees on the tables, lovely piano music, and a sing-a-long! I'm so sorry that I couldn't attend, but I had to see my youngest granddaughter graduate from college.

I really appreciate Joan Gorczyk for graciously agreeing to fill in for me and for doing a lovely job!

Thanks to our program committee of Susan Booher, Sharon Jacumin, Diane Koun, and Sigi Rutherford for making all of our programs so special! Everything planned for the rest of the year sounds so interesting and exciting!

We're starting off the New Year with a program on antique dolls by Ann Coleman, which I'm looking forward to, since I have a couple of Madame Alexander dolls from my childhood! The meeting takes place on **Friday, January 16 at 10am at Kingmill's Mounts Bay Center**

Many thanks to Nancy Kerns for assuming the position of Newsletter Editor after Nancy Miller resigned. I appreciate both of you for your willingness to serve our wonderful organization.

Warm wishes for a wonderful, healthy and “Happy New Year”!

~Susan





VINTAGE LADIES OF WILLIAMSBURG  
IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE OUR  
JANUARY SPEAKER,  
**ELIZABETH ANN COLEMAN**  
CURATOR EMERITA,  
MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS, BOSTON



### Playing With Dolls: Child's Play and Adults Escape in the Western World Over Centuries

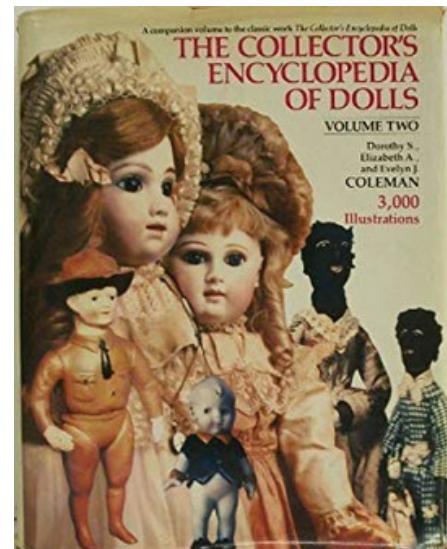
We welcome the New Year with an internationally recognized authority on the topic of dolls, **Elizabeth Ann Coleman**. She will reveal in her presentation a historical overview, “Playing With Dolls: Child’s Play and Adult’s Escape in the Western World Over Centuries”. She will lead us on an investigation featuring dolls that are representative of moments in time, as well as the popularity of certain materials for production and the general commonality of dolls; whether created for children, or more recently, adults. Prepare to come away with new knowledge about dolls as well as the artifacts made and generally cherished at some point in your own lives.

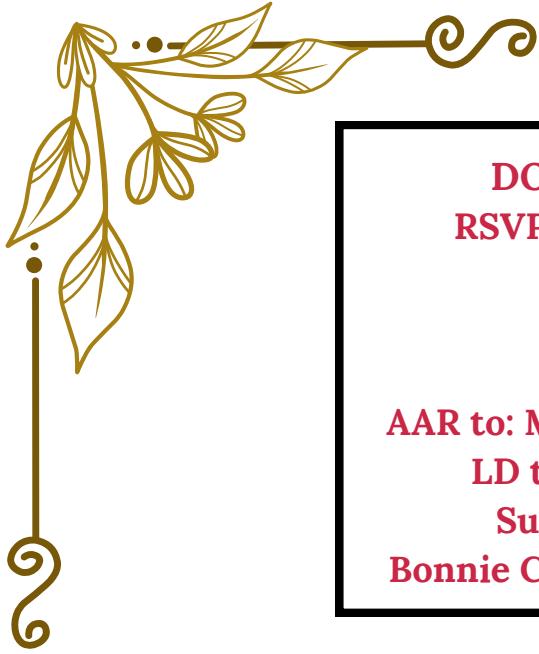
**Elizabeth Ann Coleman** is a self-taught, award winning and internationally recognized former costume and textile curator. Ms Coleman has a working career of over forty years at major north American museums.

Among her varied accomplishments are:

Redressing period rooms, graduate school teaching, authoring publications, consulting and lecturing internationally, innovating exhibitions, and co-founding and governing organizations related to her profession.

Since childhood, dolls have played a major role in her life. This began in a partnership with her late mother and sister, and is carried on to this day as a “rabbit hole” exploration of what dolls can reveal.





**DON'T MISS OUR NEXT MEETING:  
RSVP to your Vice President by January 9**  
**Location: Kingsmill  
Mounts Bay Recreation Center**



**AAR to: Marian Kaufman: [marian1250@gmail.com](mailto:marian1250@gmail.com)**  
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Bonnie Chisick-Sargeant: [dsarge1066@gmail.com](mailto:dsarge1066@gmail.com)**

#### **JANUARY HOSTESSES:**

**Hostesses for Abby Aldrich:**

Dee Arbegast, Myra McCain,  
Maureen O'Donnell

**Hostesses for Lady Dunmore::**

Diane Jobe, Kate Wilhide,  
Julie LoCiero



## **Membership Reminder and 2026 Update**

Enjoying the programs so far? Check your calendar. Members have an obligation to attend 5 of the 9 meetings per year; when attending, be sure to sign-in!

#### **Why an Attendance Policy?**

Robust attendance honors our wonderful speakers!

If you think you will not be able to participate in the required number of meetings; the club offers accommodations for: travel, illness, family issues, work, etc. (\*see attendance policy\* page 23 of the Vintage Ladies Directory) or **contact Sarah Avellar**.

Please consider being a hostess and/or serving on the Board. The club is a group effort  
we kindly request every member to participate!

#### **New Members:**

A recently approved rule allows new members who join after the first of January to pay a reduced membership fee of \$30 (there is a 2 meeting requirement)



What a huge success Friday's Luncheon was. The ladies all looked so bright and cheerful in their holiday best!"

Comments & Photos by Diane Jobe





“The holiday luncheon was wonderfully festive and the food was delicious. The program committee outdid themselves with the beautiful decorations and raffling off of the table centerpieces”

Comments & Photos by Maureen O'Donnell



# *VINTAGE LADIES OF WILLIAMSBURG*

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### **APPOINTED POSITIONS**

Parliamentarian: Pam Ruckner

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Archivist: Nancy Kerns

Please refer to your Vintage Ladies directory

for board member contact information

**RSVP to your VP for monthly events**