

November 2021

Dear Friends of Nobska Light,

As 2021 draws to a close Friends of Nobska Light celebrates another year of service to Nobska. We have grown from a small but strong founding group into a diverse organization with over fifty volunteers, staff and a passionate Board and Advisory Board.

As a supporter, you understand the impact Nobska has on our community. She stands as a source of strength and inspiration for many. We too stand strong as we continue the capital improvements needed to reopen the doors of the Keeper's House. Now more than ever we ask for your support as the project transitions to a focus on the site work.

Since 2015, thanks to the impressive efforts of our Capital Campaign team, we have met several of the milestones outlined in our original strategic plan. Donors like you play a critical role in our success as we continue to move forward with our work. Please contact Caroline Inman at development@friendsofnobska.org for more information on our *Beacons of Light: The Campaign for Nobska*.

Two important projects are scheduled for completion by the end of the year: wood flooring and septic system replacement. The new septic system is critical to obtain an occupancy permit and welcome the public into the



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Keeper's House. The wood flooring comes with a story of strength and resilience so fitting for Nobska.

After months of searching for the right wood floors, our Facilities Committee selected reclaimed wood from T.S. Mann Lumber Company. According to Tom Mann, the timbers being used were probably cut in the south in the mid 1800's and came by boat past Nobska and up to Boston for use as structural beams inside the Long Wharf Customs House. Nobska's flooring will not only look like a floor that was laid down in the 1800's, but it will actually be from a similar stock of lumber cut during the same time period, and nicely preserved for us inside the Long Wharf Customs house since 1848.

As we look forward to 2022, we know there is so much more we can do to build on our positive momentum. The ability to complete the detailed site work and open in 2022 depends on the support of our community. Your donation will help cover the increasing operational costs as we prepare for displays that engage our community in museum exhibit planning and the establishment of a gift shop at the Keeper's House

To support our work, I invite you to make a gift by completing the enclosed form. Thank you to all who have already provided support this year and for your consideration of a second gift.

With Gratitude,

Kathy

Kathy Walrath, President

Friends of Nobska Light, Inc.

P.S. We have a robust volunteer recruitment and training plan for 2022. Please contact us if you are interested in joining at volunteer@friendsofnobska.org.