

Guest speaker, Delano Kindred, Inc. 2026 Annual Membership Meeting and Reunion

Friday afternoon, September 18, 2026, 2:00 pm

Stephen O'Neill



Stephen C. O'Neill is an author, educator, and public historian with over thirty years of experience and has served as Executive Director of the Hanover Historical Society for ten years, where he stewards the collections and programs at the Historic Drummer Samuel Stetson House. Under his direction the Society has developed the successful Stetson Scholar program with Hanover's Center Elementary School and accomplished the restoration of the Society's

19th Century transportation collection of wagons, carriages, and sleighs. O'Neill also serves as Director of the Dyer Memorial Library in Abington.

A graduate of Boston College and Boston University, O'Neill was formerly Associate Director & Curator of Collections at Pilgrim Hall Museum in Plymouth and a Senior Lecturer in History at Suffolk University, where he taught a popular course on the History of Piracy. He was the 2018 Massachusetts Foundation for the Humanities Scholar-in-Residence at the Old Colony History Museum in Taunton, and in 2019 served as Guest Curator for the archaeology exhibit *In Small Things Remembered* at the Alden House Historic Site in Duxbury. He is an expert on cemeteries and burying grounds and has lead many tours and lectured widely on death and mourning customs in Early America.

O'Neill is the author of *The Life of Peregrine White: The First Englishman Born in New England* and *Alden Archaeology: Exhibiting the Daily Lives of a Mayflower Family*, and has curated more than twenty exhibitions.

A lifelong South Shore resident, he is a member of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, Plymouth's Old Colony Club, and a Proprietor of the Boston Athenaeum.

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