Dear Friends:

January marks the beginning of NYAM’s yearlong 175th anniversary celebration. To mark this occasion, we are proud to share an interactive timeline of significant milestones in the organization’s history since 1847, featuring images from our collections. We hope you will take some time to explore it and read the in-depth features on the topics that most interest you. In this month’s issue, we also look at some of the ways the Library has preserved our history.

Noted Elsewhere: “The Smithsonian at 175”

Though chiefly known as a museum complex, the Smithsonian Institution began as—and remains—a scientific research organization, and in that way, NYAM and SI are alike. Congress established the Smithsonian just a few months before NYAM’s founding and in 2021, the Institution celebrated its own 175th anniversary. For details of its yearlong activities, see “The Smithsonian at 175.”

As we move into the third year of the pandemic, let’s be both cautious and cautiously optimistic.

The Library remains open to readers and classes by appointment. All visitors must show proof of vaccination against COVID-19 and will need to be masked and socially distanced. For details, see our guide to visiting the Library. For more ways to connect with our resources and services, check out the Quick Connections page.

The NYAM Library Team

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