

National Civil War Museum Advisory Council Member

<u>Member Contact</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Location</u>
Robert W. Rogers Director	Maryland Historical Society	Baltimore, MD
<p>Robert W. Rogers was appointed the Director of the Maryland Historical Society in March 2007 after serving in a position as Acting Director for a period of one year following service as the Chief Operating Officer/Chief Financial Officer. Previously, he served as the Executive Vice President, Operations of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Maryland directing the internal operations and managing the organization's programmatic functions. Immediately prior, Rob served at the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the National Arts Stabilization, a non-profit arts management group.</p> <p>Mr. Rogers now serves on the Maryland Commission on Artistic Property, the boards of the Greater Baltimore Heritage Alliance, Maryland Association of History Museums, and Mount Vernon Cultural District, and continues ongoing committee service, currently including the Baltimore Cultural Tourism Committee, NAACP Baltimore Chapter Centennial Celebration Committee, and the 2009 Preservation and Revitalization Conference Committee.</p> <p>Located in the Mount Vernon neighborhood of Baltimore, the Maryland Historical Society (MdHS) was founded in 1844 and is the oldest cultural institution in the state of Maryland. The society "collects, preserves, and interprets objects and materials reflecting Maryland's diverse heritage." MdHS has a museum, library, holds educational programs, and publishes scholarly works on Maryland.</p> <p>Notables in exhibition at the MdHS are the original manuscript of the Star-Spangles Banner and the letters and journals of Benjamin Banneker. The MdHS showcases include 231 weapons, 866 pieces of jewelry, 2,200 Native American prehistoric archeological objects, 15,000 musical scores, as well as a remarkable collection of 18th and 19th-century paintings and silver, maritime artifacts, Maryland painted and inlaid furniture, quilts, costumes, ceramics, dolls and toys. Exhibits include Maryland's history, Maryland in art and furniture in Maryland life.</p> <p>The MdHS has one of the country's best Civil War collections. Its strength lies in its vastness and in the fact that it represents both sides of the war due to Maryland's divided loyalties during that era.</p> <p>For more information, visit www.mdhs.org.</p>		