

TRUSTEE SPOTLIGHT



John J. Quick

JOHN J. QUICK was born in Evansville, Indiana. He met his wife, Diane, a Miami native, while both were studying at Boston University School of Law.

John became a HistoryMiami member in 2005. He served as president of the Tropes (now known as the Flagler Street Society) before joining the HistoryMiami Board of Trustees in 2009. John sits on the Executive Committee as secretary of the Board, is chairman of the Education Committee, and is a board member of the 11th Judicial Circuit Historical Society.

John is a partner at Weiss Serota Helfman Pastoriza Cole & Boniske, where he is a member of the litigation division. He has been named an “Up and Comer” in Florida Trend’s Legal Elite, and a “Rising Star” by Florida Super Lawyers. He is currently president of the Friends of the Miami-Dade Public Library and a key facilitator in the partnership between HistoryMiami and the Main Library on the Cultural Plaza.

Why did you become a HistoryMiami Trustee?

I joined the Board because I was excited to help guide the institution into the future, including the rebranding as HistoryMiami. As we are a “newer” city, people lack awareness of Miami’s unique and diverse history.

Do you have a favorite HistoryMiami artifact or exhibition?

I really enjoyed *Crime in Miami* and *Aviation in Miami: the First 100 Years*. Aviation was a favorite with my 3-year-old daughter.

What are you most excited about for the future of HistoryMiami?

The expansion of HistoryMiami to include the building next door will allow us to bring in larger and more comprehensive traveling exhibits. It will also allow us to redesign the layout for the Map Fair, while keeping it intimate and retaining its world-wide status as one of the most exclusive map fairs in the world.



The Guayabera: A Shirt's Story

2013 AASLH AWARD OF MERIT WINNER

The American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) recently announced that HistoryMiami is the recipient of a 2013 Award of Merit and a 2013 History in Progress (HIP) Award from the AASLH Leadership in History Awards committee.

HistoryMiami was honored for *The Guayabera: A Shirt's Story*, a 1,000 square-foot exhibition that provided an overview of the guayabera’s history, one that traced the garment’s journey through Cuba, Mexico and the United States, from humble beginnings to fashion phenomenon.

AASLH bestows Leadership in History Awards to establish and encourage standards of excellence in the collection, preservation, and interpretation of state and local history in order to make the past more meaningful to all Americans.

The Guayabera: A Shirt's Story is also a winner of the 2012 Florida Association of Museums Outstanding Achievement Award.