Greenwich Historical Society Announces Winners of This Place Matters! Photo Competition at Founders Day Reception

COS Cob, July 18, 2019 – The three winners of the 3rd annual This Place Matters! photo competition were announced at a standing room only Founders Day reception at Innis Arden Cottage today. Venera Alexandrova, art director of Greenwich Magazine, and a contest judge, presented the three winning entries which included:

- Jay Wilson, *Leave you Cryin*
- Barbara Heins, *Greenwich Point Barn in Snow*
- Dana Charette *Children’s Service, First Presbyterian Church Greenwich*

Residents of all ages and abilities were encouraged to snap photos of Greenwich places that matter and are worth preserving, with a few words about why they make the town special. Over 70 photos capturing a wide cross section of Greenwich were submitted. In addition to Ms. Alexandrova, judges included Garvin Burke, art director of Greenwich Magazine and Christopher Shields, Greenwich Historical Society’s Curator of Library and Archives.

The winning photos will be proudly displayed at the Historical Society’s campus and in an upcoming issue of Greenwich Magazine, Exclusive Magazine Sponsor of This Place Matters!

Following the reception, which included a reading of the original 1640 deed establishing Greenwich by CT Representative Livvy Floren, guests toured Feake-Ferris House, Greenwich’s oldest home and one of the oldest in the nation. Last year Greenwich Point Conservancy completed a multi-million dollar restoration of the circa 1645 house which was home to Elizabeth Winthrop Feake, namesake of Elizabeth’s Neck, as Greenwich Point was known for more than 200 years, following the founding of Greenwich.

This Place Matters® photo competition is inspired by the National Trust for Historic Preservation’s initiative to encourage preservation.

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About the Greenwich Historical Society

Greenwich Historical Society was founded in 1931 to preserve and interpret Greenwich history to strengthen the community’s connection to our past, to each other and to our future. The circa 1730 National Historic Landmark Bush-Holley House survived the American Revolution and became the site of Connecticut’s first American Impressionist art colony from 1890 to 1920. Its landscape and gardens are restored based on documentation from the site’s Impressionist era. The campus also includes a nationally accredited museum, library and archives, a museum store, café, and a community education center. Greenwich Historical Society educates thousands of school children annually and connects visitors to the history of this globally influential community through exhibitions, lectures, programs, and events. It receives no town funding and relies on donations and grants to continue its work in education and preservation. Learn more at greenwichhistory.org.