THE WASHINGTON STATE CENTENNIAL HALL OF HONOR

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NOTE: Since this article originally appeared in Columbia Magazine, some of the individuals still living in 1989 are now deceased. Where known, the information has been updated by showing the year of death in brackets [xxxx].

All 100 Hall of Honor inductees are listed here under their primary category of achievement. The criteria for appointment to the Hall of Honor are: 1) nominees must have been born or must have enjoyed permanent residence in Washington during the period November 11, 1889 through November 11, 1989, and 2) nominees must have made outstanding contributions of national or international significance.

ACCULTURATION

Joseph Cataldo (1837-1928): Early Jesuit missionary who bought land for a college in 1881 which later became Gonzaga University. He was instrumental in founding Spokane and building the first cathedral there.

Ezra Meeker (1830-1928): Pioneer, hop king, author who platted Puyallup in 1877 and became its first mayor.

Henry Sicade (1866-1938): Puyallup Indian tribal leader who contributed much to the agricultural development of the area.

Smohalla (c.1815-1895): Wanapum shaman who founded the "Dreamer Cult," a religion based on the spirituality of all things of nature and the revelation of wisdom through dreams.

Sulktalthscosum (Chief Moses) (1829-1899): Known for his diplomacy in the peaceful settlement of his people on the Colville Reservation and for his influence in preventing more bloodshed in the Nez Perce and Bannock Wars by preventing his followers from entering into the warfare.

James C. Swan (1818-1900): A pioneer of 1852 who did business in oysters, held public offices, taught on the Makah Indian Reservation, and was an agent for the U.S. Fish Commission.

ARTS & LETTERS

Glen Adams (1912-[2003]): Mayor of Fairfield who owned and operated Ye Galleon Press, the oldest active independent publishing house in the Pacific Northwest.

Dudley Carter (1891-[1992]): Sculptor best known for his massive sculptures made from large trees with a woodsman's axe.

Imogen Cunningham (1883-1976): World renowned photographer.

Kirtland Kelsey Cutter (1860-1939): Architect of national repute who designed the Rainier Club in Seattle, the Davenport Hotel and Spokane Club in Spokane and many private residences in western cities.

Richard Fuller (1897-1976): Professor of geology at the University of Washington, but best known as founder and first director of the Seattle Art Museum in 1933.

Carolyn Kizer (1925 other sources say she was born in 1924-2014): Pulitzer Prize winning poet who founded and edited Poetry Northwest magazine, and was Director of Literary Programs for the National Endowment for the Humanities.


Vernon L Parrington (1871-1929): An English professor at the University of Washington chiefly known for his Pulitzer Prize-winning *Main Currents of American Thought*.


George Tsutakawa (1910-[1997]): Sculptor and professor at the University of Washington known for his fountains and awarded the Order of the Rising Sun by the Emperor of Japan.

James W. Washington, Jr. (1911-[2000]): Painter and sculptor whose work is on display nationwide.

Minoru Yimasaki (1912-1986): Architect who designed the World Trade Center in New York, the Century Plaza Towers in Los Angeles, the Pacific Science Center in Seattle, the Dharan International Airport in Saudi Arabia and many other well-known public buildings.

**BUSINESS & INDUSTRY**

Arthur R. Anderson (1910-[1995]): Past president of the American Concrete Institute, one of the founders of the Concrete Technology Corporation and ABAM Engineers, Inc. of Tacoma, he was prominent in the development of pre-stressed concrete technology.


Dorothy Bullitt (1892-[1989]): Founder of King Broadcasting Company and president and board chairman for many years.

John M. Fluke, Sr. (1911-1984): An electronics pioneer who was also involved in many civic activities including the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, the Seattle Symphony, Pacific Science Center and Junior Achievement of Greater Puget Sound.
Thea Foss (1857-1927): With her husband Andrew, founded the Foss Launch and Tug Company and is said to have been the model for the Tugboat Annie stories.


Raymond Hanson (1923-[2009]): Industrialist who specialized in building mammoth machines which did huge jobs, such as cranes to lift the turbines into place at Grand Coulee Dam.

Sam Hill (1857-1931): World citizen, railroad tycoon and patron of the arts who built the Blaine Peace Arch, duplicated Stonehenge, and built Maryhill, a museum on the Columbia Plateau.

Eric A. Johnston (1895-1963): Owner of a large electrical business in Spokane who was also president of the National Chamber of Commerce, president of the Motion Picture Association and Administrator of Economic Stabilization.

Frank Lamb (1875-1951): Founder of Lamb Grays Harbor Company as well as the Port of Grays Harbor which he served as commissioner for 44 years.

John W. Nordstrom (1871-1963): Retailer whose small shoe store at Fourth and Pike in Seattle was the beginning of the nation’s largest independent fashion specialty retailer.

William H. Paulhamus (1866-1925): A pioneer in cooperatives, canning, certified milk and frozen foods, one of the founders of the Western Washington Fair, president of the State Senate, founder of the Puyallup and Sumner Fruit Growing Association.

Mark Reed (1866-1933): President of the Simpson Logging Company, a major influence in the development of Shelton, and a member of the State Legislature.

Philip Weyerhaeuser (1899-1956): Head of Weyerhaeuser Lumber Company who saw it change from a dealer in timberlands to a manufacturer of forest products using materials which had previously been considered waste.

Oscar Wirkkala (1880-1959): Inventor who developed tools and systems that enabled the logging industry to reach timber previously inaccessible as well as a new kind of marine propeller.


COMMUNITY SERVICE

Edna Breazeale (1895-1987): English teacher at Roosevelt High School in Seattle who led the effort to establish the Padilla Bay Sanctuary in Skagit County and was awarded the State Environmental Excellence Award in 1981.

Horace Cayton (1859-1940): Publisher of the weekly newspaper Republican in Seattle and an early fighter against discrimination.

Ralph Chaplin (1887-1961): Organizer and publicist for the IWW, editor of the Tacoma Labor Advocate, and lyricist of the song "Solidarity Forever."
Anna Herr Clise (1866-1936): Founder and president of the Children's Orthopedic Hospital in Seattle.

Emma Smith De Voe (1848-1927): President of the Washington Equal Suffrage Association who played a large part in making Washington the first Pacific Coast state to establish the right to vote for women in 1910.


Gordon Hirabayashi (1918-[2012]): Served a prison term for resisting internment in a Japanese relocation camp in 1942 and fought to have constitutional guarantees reemphasized.

May Arkwright Hutton (1860-1915): Author and suffragist who organized the Spokane Equal Suffrage Association and the Washington Political Equality League, and was the first woman to be a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1912.

Mother Joseph (1823-1902): Architect, construction supervisor and fund raiser for 29 schools and hospitals in Washington Territory and chosen to represent the state in Statuary Hall, Washington, D.C.


James Edward O'Sullivan (1876-1949): Lawyer, contractor, college teacher, Ephrata School Board member and community organizer who promoted Grand Coulee Dam and the Columbia River Basin Irrigation Project.

Edwin Pratt (1930-1969): Director of the Seattle Urban League who was shot and killed by two gunmen who were never captured.

J. D. Ross (1871-1939): Seattle City Light Superintendent who planned a transmission grid linking Bonneville and Grand Coulee dams with major cities.

Anna Louise Strong (1885-1970): First woman elected to the Seattle School Board and a journalist who traveled to Russia and China and wrote of the political systems of these countries.


George Frederick Whitworth (1816-1907): Known as the father of Presbyterianism in Washington, he served as president of the University of Washington and founded Sumner Academy, which became Whitworth College.
Rufus Woods (1878-1950): Editor and publisher of the *Wenatchee Daily World* who proposed building a dam on the Columbia River at Grand Coulee.

Walt Woodward (1910-[2001]): Newspaperman who published a Bainbridge Island newspaper which stood out against the internment of the Japanese at the beginning of World War II.

**EDUCATION**

Eva Anderson (1889-1972): Superintendent of Douglas County schools, served in the State House of Representatives, longtime member of the Washington State Historical Society Board of Curators, she was voted Washington State Woman of Achievement in 1949.


Nellie Cornish (1876-1956): Educator who, in 1914, founded the Cornish School of Music and Art.

Giovanni Costigan (1905-[1990]): A professor at the University of Washington known for his support of liberal causes.


Lizzie Ordway (1828-1897): The only one of the Mercer girls to remain unmarried, she served a ten-year stint as Kitsap County School Superintendent and was a tireless advocate of women's rights.

Stephen B. L. Penrose (1865-1947): An educator who was the youngest college president in the country when he became president of Whitman College at the age of 29.

Henry Suzzallo (1875-1933): President of the University of Washington who doubled its size, started a large building program and raised academic standards.

Pearl Wanamaker (1899-1984): Superintendent of Public Instruction for 40 years. She also served in the State Legislature.

**ENTERTAINMENT**

Bob Barker (1923-): TV personality, and recipient of numerous awards from humane societies for his work in the field of animal protection.

Harry Lills "Bing" Crosby (1903-1977): One of America's most widely-known entertainers.

Merce Cunningham (1919-[2009]): Choreographer, dancer, and director of his own dance company for 31 years who won many awards, including the American Dance Festival Scripps Award, the French Legion of Honor, and the Kennedy Center Award for outstanding achievement in the arts.
James Wong Howe (1899-1976): Cinematographer, director and producer whose work has received 16 nominations and two Academy Awards.

Fred Hutchinson (1919-1964): Baseball player and manager who led the Cincinnati Reds to the National League pennant in 1961.

Robert Joffrey (1930-1988): Founder of the Joffrey Ballet, the first company with home bases in both Los Angeles and New York.

Quincy Jones (1933-): Composer, arranger, conductor, trumpeter, music director of Mercury Records and winner of a Grammy Award.

Patrice Munsel (1925-): The youngest singer ever to sign a Metropolitan Opera contract.

**HUMAN ENDEAVOR**

Russell Stanley Callow (1890-1961): Known as "Dean of America's Rowing Coaches," he started by coaching the University of Washington's crew and coached the Naval Academy crew which won the Olympic gold medal in 1952.

Edward R. Morrow (1908-1965): European director of CBS whose broadcasts from London during World War II were a major influence in the development of radio journalism.

Clyde Pangborn (1894-1958): An aviator who, in 1931, was the first to fly non-stop from Japan to the United States.

Richard Scobee (1939-1986): Astronaut who was second in command of the April 1984 flight of the Challenger and who logged 68 hours in space before being given command of the ill-fated mission of January 1986.

Jonathan Wainwright (1883-1953): Medal of Honor recipient for gallant service with the Army in defense of the Philippines during World War II. Commander of the Fourth Army.

Jim Whittaker (1929-): Mountaineer and businessman who was the first American to climb Mt. Everest.

**LAW & POLITICS**

George Hugo Boldt (1903-1984): District Court judge for 25 years best known for his decision that Indians were entitled to half the state's salmon and steelhead runs.

Thomas Burke (1849-1925): Lawyer, judge, railroad promoter who was often called “the man who built Seattle.”

Francis Cushman (1867-1909): Tacoma attorney who as a U.S. Representative from 1899 to his death obtained funds for the Puyallup Indian School and obtained Point Defiance as a park for Tacoma.

William O. Douglas (1898-1980): Associate Justice of the U.S Supreme Court who became nationally known for his stands on human rights and the protection of the environment.
Julia Butler Hansen (1907-1988): State Representative and the first woman to be Speaker of the House; then became a member of the U.S. House of Representatives and chairman of a powerful House Appropriations subcommittee.


Wesley Jones (1863-1932): Congressman and senator who helped draft and secure passage for the National Reclamation Act.

Bertha Knight Landes (1868-1943): Mayor of Seattle in 1926 when she was the first woman to be mayor of a major American city.


**SCIENCE**

Walter H. Brattain (1902-1987): Research physicist and professor at Whitman College who shared the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1956 for his work in developing the transistor.

Wilbert McLeod Chapman (1910-1970): Taught at the University of Washington and was dean of the School of Fisheries who became an internationally known ichthyologist.

Hiram Chittenden (1858-1917): Army engineer who developed the Port of Seattle with its crowning achievement, the Chittenden Locks. Also an amateur historian whose work *The American Fur Trade of the Far West* is still a standard work on the subject.

Barney Clark (1921-1983): A dentist who practiced in Burien, he was the first person to receive an artificial heart.

Dr. Lauren Donaldson (1903-[1998]): Professor at the University of Washington and a world renowned ichthyologist and radiobiologist whose research was a mainstay for the salmon industry.

Erna Gunther (1896-1982): Anthropologist who taught at the University of Washington for 43 years and became recognized nationally for her work on Pacific Northwest Indians.

Trevor Kincaid (1872-1970): University of Washington zoology professor noted for his research on oyster culture and a developer of the Friday Harbor Marine Laboratory.


Belding Scribner (1915-[2003]): Doctor who developed a technique whereby kidney dialysis could be used indefinitely to keep patients alive while waiting for a kidney transplant.

E. Donnall Thomas (1920-[2012]): Physician who developed a method of treating leukemia by means of bone marrow transplants. He taught at the University of Washington Medical School and authored more than 750 articles in medical journals.
Archie Van Dozen (1906-1986): Professor, horticulturist and cattleman best known as the father of controlled atmosphere storage for apples.

Orville Vogel (1907-[1991]): U.S. Dept. of Agriculture wheat breeder at Washington State University who helped develop the first successful variety of semi-dwarf wheat in North America.

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