

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT – Martin County Historic Preservation Board – Please Print

Type of Member:

- At-Large
 Realtor
 Demonstrated knowledge specifically related to Martin County History

Check One: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss Dr.

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By Donna Gordon at 2:53 pm, May 19, 2023

Name: Jacqui May

Residence Address: 2929 SE Ocean Blvd. #103-6, Stuart FL 34996

Street/City/Zip Code

Mailing Address: N/A

(if different)

Street/City/Zip Code

Commission District in which you reside: 1^{dg} Staff will complete.

Are you available year round to attend meetings? yes no If **no**, what months **are** you available?

Telephone numbers: daytime: 561-715-6000 alternate: _____ alternate: _____
~Area Codes are considered 772 unless you note otherwise.

EMAIL: JacquelineSMay@gmail.com

Have you ever pled guilty or "no contest" to a crime, been convicted of a crime, had adjudication withheld, prosecution deferred, been placed on probation, received a suspended sentence or forfeited bail in connection with any offense (except minor traffic violations)? Please show all convictions, including driving while intoxicated (DUI) convictions. yes no If yes, please provide the following information:

TYPE OF OFFENCES: N/A

DATES: N/A

PLACES (city/state): N/A

SENTENCES OR FINES: N/A

A conviction record does not necessarily disqualify you for consideration. Factors such as age at time of offense, nature of violation, and rehabilitation will be considered. The Martin County Board of County Commissioners retains the right to remove, at will, any appointee to a Board or Committee with or without cause.

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE: A resume is recommended to be attached containing this and any other information that would be helpful to the Board in evaluating your application. Resume or letter of qualifications attached? yes no

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Education: Ph.D. Social Science (History, Anthropology & Communications), College of Arts & Letters, FAU;
Master of Nonprofit Management, College of Architecture, Urban, and Public Affairs, FAU

Employment Experience: Nonprofit and grants administration; Museum administration & education;
Historic researcher, editor, author; Archaeological field work & administration; Program management & facilitation

Other experience you feel would be helpful to the Board in making this appointment: _____
I have been involved in projects relating to architectural history/preservation since 1987. Currently working on Nat'l Register Nomination for Geo. Parks Store. In my work with FL. Humanities Council & FL Main St. Program
I have experienced various communities/sites statewide and am familiar with the challenges and benefits of preserving archaeological and historic resources.

Community Experience and Affiliations: Martin Co. Black Heritage Initiatives: Volunteer; Stuart Heritage: Member;
Florida Anthropology Association: Member; Southeast FL Archaeological Society (SEFAS): Member.

Other County Boards/Committees/Task Forces on which you have served: _____
Graduate of Martin Cares 2023 (Session #1); Martin Co. Library Digitization Initiative participant.

Do you or any member of your immediate family work for Martin County or hold a position that might conflict with your duties for this Board/Committee/Task Force? If yes, please explain: No.

REFERENCES: Please list two references:

Paul Weaver, President, Historic Property Associates: 904-347-6090 / hpa007@aol.com

Capt. Lloyd Jones, President, Martin County Black Heritage Initiatives: 772-260-1766/
mcblackheritageinitiatives@gmail.com

- Applicants are required by State Law and County Ordinance to file a Financial Disclosure Statement as part of the appointment process.
- Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing and that the facts stated in it are true. (Pursuant to Section 92.525 Florida Statutes, falsifying this application is a Third Degree Felony punishable by up to five years imprisonment and up to a \$5,000 fine.)
- Florida law prohibits an advisory board member from doing business with its agency (the County). Section 112.313(3) and (7), Fla Stat.

→ Signature: 

Date: 5/16/2023

Applications must be filed with Martin County Administration, 2401 SE Monterey Road, Stuart, Florida 34996 **by Friday, May 19**, 2023. All information submitted becomes public record. If you have any questions, please call (772) 221-1352 or send email to dgordon@martin.fl.us.

Jacqueline S. May

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May 17, 2023

Martin County Board of County Commissioners
2401 SE Monterey Rd.
Stuart, Florida 34996

Dear Commissioners,

It is with genuine enthusiasm that I submit my application for appointment to the Martin County Historic Preservation Board which I learned of from former member Linda Geary.

I have been a regular visitor to Martin County since 1997. I am now proud to call this unique and wonderful part of Florida home. As I tell natives and long-time residents of our area “I was not born in Martin County, but I do plan to spend the rest of my life here.” So, I hope that will count for something when considering my application to serve on the Historic Preservation Board!

I am confident my interests and experiences align with the needs of the Board and our community:

- I was bitten by the historic preservation bug when my family was approached to sell our 1895 Miami River home. My grandmother would only agree if the structure would be placed on the National and local registers of historic places. She assigned then 18-year-old me to “keep an eye” on things and I worked with the professional historians on the process. I also assisted with the renovation process converting the former hotel into the Historic Miami River Inn. My fate was sealed!
- Throughout my career I have worked for a number of Florida museums, cultural and historic institutions in a variety of roles. The common thread throughout my career is a passion for Florida history and culture – my resume summary is attached. I hope to be able to share the skills and experience I have gained throughout my journey with my fellow Martin County residents.
- I have lived in various regions of the Sunshine State for decades and have seen changes and growth ranging from terrific to less-than-ideal. I understand there is a need to preserve our heritage and culture. I also learned from preservation pioneers, and my mentors, that conservancy sometimes means compromise and a willingness to accept adaptations.
- In my work as a public historian, administrator, and facilitator I am comfortable analyzing and presenting concepts to diverse stakeholders. I always show-up with a positive attitude and am dedicated to the work I commit to.
- Since settling in Martin County, I’ve participated in the Martin County Cares program, began working with the City of Stuart, Stuart Heritage, and Julie Preast on getting the George Parks Feed Store on the National Register and have been assisting Martin County Black Heritage Initiatives with projects.

I appreciate your consideration of my application materials and hope to work with you and members of the Martin County Historic Preservation Board to continue making a positive contribution to our community for generations to come. Don’t hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Cordially,

Jacqui May

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Career Summary

Administrator and educator with extensive museum, nonprofit, higher education and grant experience. Skilled at research, analysis, writing, editing, program and policy concept, development, and management. Experienced in engagement, public speaking, community relations, outreach, communications, and marketing. Accomplished strategic planner, excellent at execution with outstanding interpersonal, client relationship, and leadership skills. Committed to creating positive experiences and outcomes.

Professional Experience

Historic/Cultural Resource & Grant Administrator: Provide service in the areas of historic resources, education, social services, municipal government, and organizational development.

- Conduct research. Identify resources, write, and manage projects and reports for diverse stakeholders (local, state, corporate, and foundations).
- Coordinate resources and data for grant applications, reports, historic markers, and designations.
- Conduct archaeological field studies and prepare related reports.
- Develop and facilitate community and professional development education programs and exhibits with a focus on Florida culture and history.
- Design and lead community engagement and resource development initiatives.
- Guide strategic planning, analyze, and synthesize information, and present to diverse stakeholders.
- Establish policies, procedures, and related materials and trainings for staff, volunteers, and boards.

Museum Administration & Public History/Education:

- Archaeological Conservancy of Southern Florida – Field work and administrative support.
- History Miami – Museum educator, focus on Florida history and archaeology, and event support
- Martin County Black Heritage Initiatives – Volunteer curator and writer
- Mosaic: The Jewish Museum at FIU – Volunteer archivist and exhibit curator
- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute – Created and delivered programs on Florida history including historic preservation, agriculture, and archaeology.
- Vizcaya Museum and Gardens - Learning Programs Manager, Volunteer Guide Manager
- The Wolfsonian Museum: FIU – Museum Collection Assistant; Researcher; Grant support; Assistant to director; Education program assistant.

Program Management:

- Florida Humanities Council – Learning Programs Director
- Florida Main Street Program/Florida Division of Historic Resources – District Director, St. Petersburg
- Florida Atlantic University – Director of Student Academic Services, College of Arts & Letters
- City of Stuart – Grants Administrator
- Florida Supreme Court Certified Mediator – Family and County

Jacqueline S. May - Continued

Education

Doctoral Degree Social Sciences (focus on history, anthropology, communications). Florida Atlantic University.

Master of Nonprofit Management. College of Architecture, Urban, and Public Affairs at FAU.

Double B.A. Arts & Humanities/Social Sciences. College of Arts & Letters at Florida Atlantic University.

A.A. Visual Communication. Art Institute of Ft. Lauderdale.

Select Affiliations, Community Involvement, and Service

- Florida Anthropology Association
- Florida Trust for Historic Preservation
- Historical Society of Martin County
- Martin County Cares Participant (Class 61)
- Martin County Library Digitization Initiative
- National Council on Public History
- Phi Alpha Theta History Honors Society
- Society for Commercial Archaeology
- Southeast Florida Archaeology Society
- Stuart Heritage Museum

Select Presentations, Publications, and Public Programs

Designing Modernity: Arts of Reform and Persuasion. Kaplan, Wendy. Researcher (book and exhibit).

Forgotten Fruit: Florida Agriculture through the Centuries. Author - publication in progress.

Collaborating for Education: Furthering Communities through Service-Learning Partnerships. Florida Association of Museums Annual Conference, St. Petersburg, FL.

Community Outreach: Connecting with Innovation and Development. Presented at Florida Main Street Annual Conference. Fernandina Beach, FL.

Journal of Decorative and Propaganda Arts: Florida Issue. *The Wolfsonian FIU*. Researcher and editorial assistant.

Public Spaces for Public Voices: The Role of Monuments in Social Discourse. Presented at Calandra Institute Annual Conference. New York, NY.

Rediscovering Art Deco USA. Capitman, Barbara, M. Kinerk, and D. Wilhelm. Researcher and editorial assistant.

Thanks for the Memories: Public Commemoration and Space. Presented at Florida International University Memorial Day Symposium, Miami, FL.