

General Convention

Episcopal Historical Organizations – EWHP, HSEC, NEHA

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Episcopal historical organizations have hosted a General Convention booth for many years to raise awareness of our organizations working together to preserve and share the history of our Episcopal Church. This General Convention includes Episcopal Women’s History Project (EWHP), Historical Society of the Episcopal Church (HSEC), and National Episcopal Historians and Archivists (NEHA). Matthew Payne, HSEC Director of Operations, coordinates arrangements, volunteers and activity.

Booth

Exhibit Hall Booth #305 is a 10’ x 20’ booth on the main aisle. Each cooperating entity provides their own materials for display and giveaways. Visitors may browse and engage booth volunteers in discussion about the organizations.

Exhibit Hall Access

General Convention registration is required for entry to the Exhibit Hall

(generalconvention.org/registration). If you not otherwise registered, you will need to register as a general attendee/visitor on your own prior to General Convention. With the

ongoing and changing circumstances of the pandemic, there is no decision yet whether on-site registration will be available. We regret we are unable to pay the \$130 registration fee for booth volunteers without other credentials (deputy or General Convention Volunteer).



Booth Volunteers

Booth volunteers assist in staffing the booth. The goal is at least one or more volunteers present at all times. Other opportunities for engagement are pursued based on staffing, such as distributing copies of *The Historiographer* and *Anglican and Episcopal History* to deputies.

Exhibit Hall Schedule

- Wednesday, July 6, 4:00-7:00pm
- Thursday, July 7, 11:30am-6:00pm
- Friday, July 8, 11:00am-6:00pm
- Saturday, July 9, 9:00am-4:30pm
- Sunday, July 10, 11:30am-6:00pm
- Monday, July 11, 11:00am-6:00pm
- Tuesday, July 12, 9:00am-2:00pm

Booth Volunteer Job Description

Episcopal Historical Organizations at General Convention

Thank you for volunteering! This job description is to make you feel comfortable in providing a consistent booth visitor experience. Please familiarize yourself with the tasks and do not worry if you don't follow them exactly...no one is checking or keeping track. We won't change your pay either ☺. We want you to be you!

When you arrive, check in with other booth volunteers and introduce yourself. When your shift is finished, check out with other booth volunteers so they know you are leaving.

1. Engage

- As people walk by, attempt to make eye contact. If you are successful, take it as a sign to interact. Say "Hello" and introduce yourself (name & congregation or diocese).
- As everyone will be wearing a name badge, use their name and ask where they are from.
- Engage in some chit-chat and offer some questions:
 - "Has your church/parish/diocese/entity ever written its history?"
 - Yes? "Tell me about it," listening to link them to one of the organizations represented at the booth (see #2).
 - No? tell them about the organizations represented at the booth (see #2).
 - "Does your church/parish/diocese/entity have its own archives?"
 - Yes? "Tell me about it," listening to link them to one of the organizations represented at the booth (see #2).
 - No? tell them about the organizations represented at the booth (see #2).

2. Describe organizations represented at the booth. You might focus on one based on the interest you heard about in your chit-chat.

- Episcopal Women's History Project (EWHP) brings the stories of Episcopal women in the church to the church.
- Historical Society of the Episcopal Church (HSEC) focuses on examining church history from a strong academic study perspective.
- National Episcopal Historians and Archivists (NEHA) focuses on helping people in the pew to save historical materials to tell their story.

3. Invite to participate in an organization. This will depend on feedback you are getting in your discussion. You do not need to be pushy, but want to be helpful.

- Give away a copy of *The Historiographer* with brochures and other freebies.
- Give away a copy of *Anglican and Episcopal History* with brochures and other freebies.
- Invite them to take their time to peruse display materials, take free stuff.

Questions should be directed to Matthew Payne at (920) 279-6267.