

Annual Triangle Fire Memorial and Awards Reception



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Vincent C. Maltese, Chairman of the Triangle Fire Memorial Association (TFMA) announced their 2018 awardees will be honored at the 107th Anniversary Ceremony to be held on Sunday, March 25, 2:00 pm, at Christ the King Campus, Middle Village.

This year's awardees are:

Paola Corso – Poet, fiction writer and essayist; author of award-winning works on steelworkers and garment workers. She will be reading from her poetry book on the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire, *Once I Was Told the Air Was Not for Breathing*.

Prof. Edvige Giunta – Educator at New Jersey City University, award-winning author on Italian American Studies and the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire.

Sondra E. McGill – Triangle Fire Memorial Association curator, art historian, and graduate of Bard College. She is a relative of a Triangle fire victim.

John M. Perricone – Queens community leader; Vice Chairman TFMA; active in Italian American, Precinct Community Council and Economic Development organizations.

Dr. Adrienne Andi Sosin – Educator, author, Remember the Triangle Fire Coalition activist.

Dr. Daniel Levinson Wilk – Associate Professor of American History at FIT; Prizewinning educator and author on business history and the history of elevators.

The Tribute remembers the 146 victims of the tragic factory fire at Washington Square in Manhattan on March 25, 1911, who were all Italian and Jewish immigrants. Almost all of the victims were young women in their teens. They perished in New York City's worst workplace fire, which led to nationwide remedial legislation to protect workers.

The reception will feature the Christ the King Concert Chorus with conductor and flutist Heather Arzberger and a performance by actress LuLu LoLo Pascale, as well as a tribute to the 146 Triangle Fire victims with a reading of all their names by Rosemarie Iacovone, Marie Lynch, Stephanie Zgaljic, and Arzberger. The MCs for the event will be John Perricone and Gabriela Sfera.