



RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)
invites you to its meeting **September 16, 2015** at
First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Place, Greenwich, CT.

Dr. Maryan Ainsworth

“A European Curator’s Profession: An Inside View”



Curating an exhibit of paintings, with coherent, educational themes demands more than just choosing among the many thousands of paintings scattered around the world. Good shows require negotiating with sometimes-reluctant art owners, shipping companies, insurance firms, and lawyers, among others. And the catalog must be, well, a “work of art.” Then there are the occasional undeclared copies, stolen paintings and damaged works.

Dr. Maryan Ainsworth, Curator of European Paintings at the Metropolitan Museum in New York, and a resident of Old Greenwich, discusses the many challenges and rewards of curating paintings. She holds one of the most prestigious positions in the art world, in one of the most prestigious institutions.

In this position, and previously as Senior Research Fellow in the Sherman Fairchild Paintings Conservation Center, she has specialized in the technical investigation of northern Renaissance paintings. Ainsworth has lectured and published widely on her work, most recently including *German Paintings in The Metropolitan Museum of Art, 1350—1600 (2013)*.

Ainsworth is also Director, Belgian American Educational Foundation, Inc and an adjunct professor of the history of art at Barnard College and Columbia University. In 2012 the College Art Association awarded her its top museum catalogue prize, the Alfred H. Barr Jr. Award. She took her BA from Oberlin College, and was awarded a PhD. from Yale University.

RMA meetings are free and open to the public; no reservations are required. Please plan to arrive around 10:40AM for our social break (coffee and cake), followed by our speaker at 11:00M. Meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church in Greenwich, with parking on-street or at public lot two houses north of the church on Lafayette Place. For additional information, contact:
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