

In an effort to encourage alumni who have let their membership lapse due to the pandemic and/or other financial issues, we will be starting a “Pay What You Can” membership drive. Renewed memberships will be good thru the end of the year.



Even if you are not summering at Osborne House, we hope that your summer is going well and that you have been able to participate in several of the excellent programs presented by the VSA free of charge. Be sure to visit the VSA website for information on lectures by an all-star line-up of presenters. Some lectures may still be available online. As well, find information on upcoming lectures.

[Lectures - Victorian Society in America](#)

To recall your Newport Summer School experience, you might also enjoy these brief, beautiful videos on Newport Mansions:

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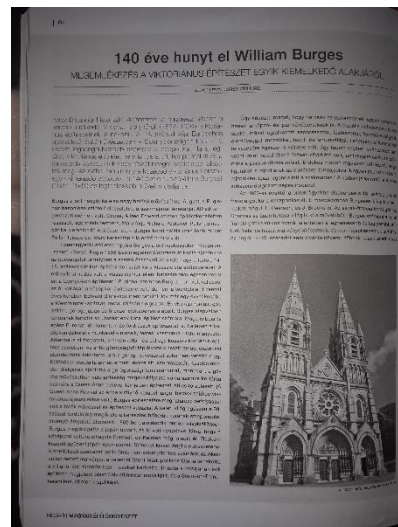
And of course, be sure to see **Dr. Richard Guy Wilson's** May 8, 2020 presentation on *Edith Wharton: Architectural and Literary Revolution*. The lecture is 56 minutes and available on YouTube: [Virtual Lecture Series: Dr. Richard Guy Wilson - YouTube](#)

## ALUMNI IN THE NEWS



**Kristen Matulewicz** (London 2017) has been named the 2021 Art Educator of the Year in the Museum Category by the Delaware Art Education Association. Kristen received her BFA in Studio Art and a BA in Art History from Flagler College in Saint Augustine, Florida and her MA in Art History and Visual Studies from the University of Victoria, in Victoria, BC, Canada. She most notably led the transition from in-person programming to virtual and hybrid programs at the Briggs Museum of Art. She developed and installed over 120 QR codes into the galleries, initiated and produced the ongoing Tuesday Night Tour series, provided virtual fieldtrips to approximately 600 students, and has successfully designed and facilitated 4 weeks of Summer Camps for children 6-13, with more to come this winter!

**András Jeney** (London 2018) has recently published an article on William Burges in *Hungarian Architecture; XXI.116*, marking the 140th anniversary of the architect's death. The buildings he discusses are St. Fin Barre's Anglican Cathedral, Cork, Ireland; Christ the Consoler, Skelton, N. Yorkshire; St. Mary's, Studley Royal, N. Yorkshire; and Cardiff Castle and Castell Coch, Wales. He also includes the design Burges submitted to the competition for the Royal Courts of Justice, London. According to András, there are no significant works published in the Hungarian language about Victorian British architecture, a void he intends to fill.



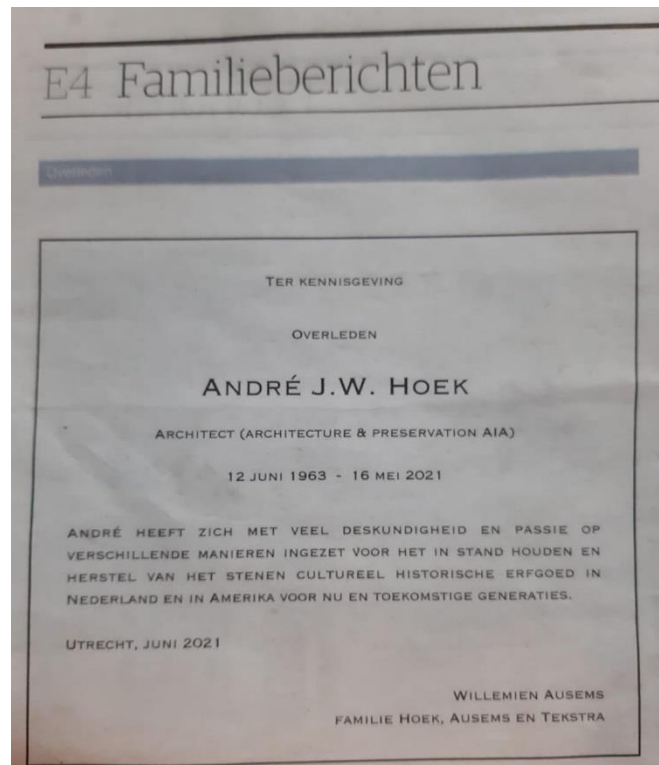
The church facade in the image is St. Fin Barre's Anglican Cathedral in Cork.

## In Memoriam

**May N. Stone** (London 1980 and Newport 2002) of New York City died December 21, 2018 in Sleepy Hollow, NY. May was born in Hanover, NH, the daughter of Dartmouth professor Donald L. Stone and Norma J. Mueller Stone. Her family included her cousin Kurt Vonnegut. May received a Bachelor of Arts from Pembroke College of Brown University, and Master of Arts degrees in both Library Science and Historical Preservation from Columbia University. A reference librarian at the Avery Architectural & Fine Arts Library of Columbia University and the New-York Historical Society, May was a respected authority on the history and architecture of hotels. Her scholarship yielded significant contributions to the Winterthur Portfolio, the Encyclopedia of New York City, and the American National Biography. May is still much missed by her many friends. May was on the Metropolitan Chapter of the VSA Board for years.

**Andre Hoek** (Newport 2013) passed away in May 2021.

“André brought knowledge and passion to his many endeavors to conserve and restore the stone cultural heritage in the Netherlands and in America, for now and for future generations.”



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**John C. Freed**, a longtime VSA and Alumni Association supporter made provisions for a \$10,000 bequest to the Alumni Association in memory of his partner, **Paul Duchscherer**. **Paul Duchscherer** very thoughtfully made provisions in his trust for a \$10,000 bequest to the Alumni Association as well as designating the Alumni Association as the beneficiary of all future royalties from his many books and other publications. The **Bob and Carole Chapman Fund** very generously awarded a grant of \$10,000 to the Alumni Association Chapter in memory of **Carole Chapman**. **Darrell Lemke & Maryellen Trautman** made provisions for a bequest to the Alumni Association

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The Officers and board members of the Alumni Association are extremely grateful to all alumni who help support our mission. We offer our special thanks to those listed below who made additional contributions—above and beyond their membership dues—to the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund.

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