



**Erin Kelly, Executive Director
Preservation Massachusetts, Inc.**

From an early age, Erin Kelly has had a passion for history, architecture, and a sense of place. Her transformative thinking led to a broad understanding of historic preservation and the stories we choose to tell. With more than 18 years of experience in all facets of non-profit administration, she strives to create a more equitable and just preservation environment in the Commonwealth.

Recently appointed Executive Director of Preservation Massachusetts, Erin leads its advocacy and education vision, mission, and programs. She oversees not only the operations of the organization, but also the expansion of its impact in communities across the Commonwealth. She is an inspirational leader who is grounded in sound business management. Respected as a credible voice in decision making, establishing strategic partnerships, and supporting impactful legislation, Erin earns a seat at the table wherever she serves.

Colleagues praise Erin's creative interpretations that enliven traditional programs. Since joining Preservation Massachusetts in 2004, Erin has been intricately involved with building programs, including the Preservation Circuit Rider program, as well as policy advocacy, especially with state and federal tax credits. For the past three years, she has administered the 1772 Foundation Grant for Massachusetts, providing over \$200,000 to deserving projects and overseeing a 25% increase in committed funds for 2022 and 2023. Erin also launched Preservation Massachusetts' online Action Center, which provides free information and resources to anyone interested in preservation. She has continually improved available resources to better educate preservation practitioners and the general public.

Erin began her career with the Providence Preservation Society Revolving Fund before joining Preservation Massachusetts, where she previously served as Associate Director. Erin has served on the Board of Directors of the National Preservation Partners Network, and she will join the Special Commission of the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution. A lifelong resident of Massachusetts, Erin holds a Bachelor of Science in Historic Preservation from Roger Williams University.

Preservation Massachusetts is the statewide non-profit historic preservation organization dedicated to preserving the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' historic and cultural heritage. The organization is supported entirely by grants, fundraising events, and membership support. It works in partnership with national, state, and local organizations and individuals across the Commonwealth to advance an understanding, appreciation of, and utilization of our historic built and natural landscapes.

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