



# NEWPORT MANSIONS

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## **NEWS**

**from The Preservation Society of Newport County**

### **Newport Mansions Store to Host Holiday Ornament Signing With Rhode Island Designer**

(Newport, RI) It's never too early to start getting ready for Christmas! The Newport Mansions Store at Bannister's Wharf will host an ornament signing with Robyn Smalletz, President and designer of Rhode Island-based design company Gloria Duchin, Inc., on Saturday, September 23 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Robyn will introduce and sign the exclusive holiday ornament collection designed by Gloria Duchin for the Preservation Society of Newport County. The collection includes detailed re-creations of Newport Mansions motifs cast in matte gold and bronze finishes, with select styles delicately accented with Swarovski crystals. The designs include a 3-dimensional acorn, a jeweled crown, and a pineapple ornament and place card holder. The pieces will be showcased among the decorations used at The Breakers, The Elms and Marble House this Christmas season, and can be purchased at the Newport Mansions Stores and online at [www.NewportMansions.org](http://www.NewportMansions.org).

Refreshments will be served at the event from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Shoppers can also enter a raffle to win a collection of hand-crafted Gloria Duchin ornaments and 2 passes to visit the Newport Mansions during the holidays.

Founded in 1979, Gloria Duchin is a leading manufacturer of metal ornaments and gifts, renowned for quality, creative excellence and delivery. Located in East Providence, RI, the company produces all of its ornaments and accessories in the USA.

All proceeds from sales in the Newport Mansions Stores benefit the historic preservation mission of The Preservation Society of Newport County, a non-profit educational organization accredited by the American Association of Museums and dedicated to preserving and interpreting the area's historic architecture, landscapes and decorative arts. Its 11 historic properties—seven of them National Historic Landmarks—span more than 250 years of American architectural and social development.