

Audience Testimonials



“You can quote me to kingdom come!!! Your presentation was **MESMERIZING, FASCINATING AND FLAWLESS**. Parts made me cry, too. Have you written a book? I want to purchase it for my granddaughters to whom I’ll give my collection. THANKYOUTHANKYOUTHANKYOUTHANKYOU for a memorable morning!!!”

Gretchen Gillfillan

“Thank you so much for your **brilliant, informative, interesting & passionate** talk about your lifelong handkerchief collection...it was **wonderful!!!** So many refined behaviors of your parents and grandparents have fizzed away, sadly... Loved the auction flirting story...as well as the hankie tied to your bag that the gallant 80 yr old man noticed!!! I was always a big fan of yours when you were on tv in the 90’s on *People Are Talking*.”

Cynnie Anderson

“You were **so fabulous!!!** I want you to do a book...Cool and colorful like your handkerchiefs to bring interest to your collection. Really I **just loved your presentation** and wouldn’t have missed it for the world.”

Coreen Cordova

“**Ann rocked it!** Such **compelling stories, powerful visuals** and interesting subject matter.”

Craig Harrison

“Your program at the deYoung was **delightful** – the information and your presentation made the morning full of facts and fun. The script and visuals just flowed, we became **thoroughly engaged** in the subject matter. You are ready for “the circuit.”

Carole Jehling

“Ray & I so enjoyed your **interesting, humorous, & very professional presentation**. From the moment you began **we were mesmerized. Fantastic visuals**, perfect timing & clear message. Thank you!”

Deborah and Ray Keeve

Ann Mahony takes a subject like handkerchiefs and brings it to life with **pathos, humor, history and insight**. When she finishes her talk, the **audience is enthralled** and wants more...**she has it and delivers!**

Joel Panzer

ANN MAHONY
SPEAKER, AUTHOR, COLLECTOR

Thank you for your very **entertaining and informative** presentation at the deYoung Museum. You absolutely **WOW'ed the audience**. In one short hour you managed to take your love and obsession for collecting handkerchiefs and walked us through their place in history, their beauty and the sadness in losing these treasures. Your **unique stories** and anecdotes were fascinating, but what really brought them to life was **your passion for these works** of art and love of what they represent. I wasn't surprised to hear from more than one of the attendees that you were by far **the best speaker they ever had** and would encourage the museum to bring you back again. I for one **would take a front row seat to see you over and over again**. Do you have a book coming out? Thank you for making my day.

Barbara Basch Wishner

"Your hankie **stories are full of joy and memories** -THANK YOU ANN! **Thank you sincerely** for a **tremendous talk** for the Textile Arts Council".

Vivian Faye

"Ann Mahony is single-minded in her commitment to delighting her audience. Her attention to detail, **mastery of her subject** and deftness of delivery yielded a **vibrant and enchanting experience**. Ann, please come back again soon!"

Antonio White

Ann Mahony was **fabulous**.

Simma Lieberman

"The **wow factor was high** for your presentation on handkerchiefs! Your high level of preparation was evidenced by your ability to intrigue the audience with **fascinating stories and snappy context**. You opened your heart to the audience and shared your passion for life, a wonderful perspective on history, and reminded us that touchstones to the past are sometimes found in the most unusual places. Thank you for a **superlative presentation** on a delightful subject matter. We look forward to your next presentation."

Richard L. Corriea, Program Chair, GGBC

"You are one of the **most interesting, multifaceted, knowledgeable, entertaining** speakers I know. It is fascinating to watch judges, attorney's, security professionals, FBI agents, retired Fire Chiefs and Police Commanders, and business executives of all generations hang on your every word as you regale them with vivid accounts of history so magnificently displayed on handkerchiefs. I marvel at your **breadth and depth of knowledge**. For almost 40 years I watched, listened, and coached speakers. You are in a category all of your own."

Patricia Fripp, CSP, CPAE, Past President, National Speakers Association