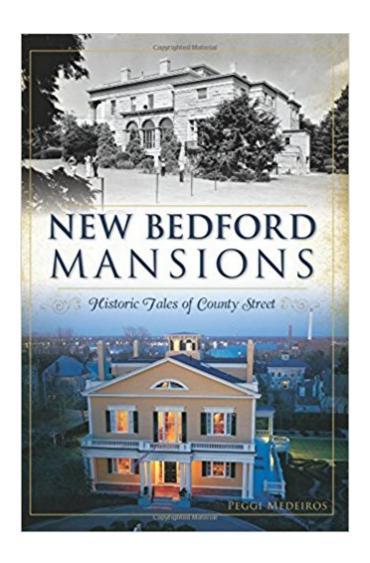


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Peggi Medeiros is a research historian focused on New Bedfords artists, families and homes. She currently writes a column for the New Bedford Standard Times and blogs for the paper. She is a frequent guest lecturer at the New Bedford Whaling Museum, the Rotch Jones Duff House & Garden Museum and the Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust. She was a contributing writer for the Standard-Times publication The Charles W. Morgan Returns to New Bedford.

I have long studied New Bedford history, probably dating back to before Ms Medeiros was born.

One of my first employers was Mark Duff of the Rotch, Jones, Duff house when 396 County St. was

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