

# HALL OF FAME



## Award Recipient

**Finney Gregg**  
Montford Point Museum Director

In accordance with the by-laws of the Montford Point Marine Association, Finney Gregg is enthusiastically recommended for inclusion into the Association Hall-of-Fame. Finney Gregg has served as the Director, Montford Point Marine Museum aboard Camp Johnson for over 15 years. During his tenure the Museum has grown from a haphazard room of memorabilia to a vital museum showcasing the rich history of the Montford Point Marines. With a limited budget, Finney secured resources from the Camp Commander and other donors to establish a well-documented museum with displays, pictures, artifacts and oral histories of the first black Marines. Finney coordinated with the past base Commander of Camp Johnson to include the museum on the check-in list of each arriving Marine and sailor to the base. This ensures that a new generation of service members learns of the rich Marine history of these first black Marines.

Finney also served as the technical advisor to the first, full-length documentary film which features Academy Award-winning actor, Louis Gossett Jr. as the narrator. Finney provided vital technical and logistical assistance to ensure this film project was completed. The development of the Montford Point Marine documentary by the University of North Carolina was made easier thanks to the support of Mr. Gregg. His service as the Montford Point Marine Museum curator expands almost the total existence of the museum itself. Thanks to his commitment to this task, colleges and universities seek his support for their programs on a regular basis. The Museum has a standing invitation to take part in Coastal Carolina community Colleges Volunteer Day program.

Finney has volunteered much of his off time to deliver speeches, host dignitaries, including the Honorable Corrine Brown, US Congresswoman from Florida who was instrumental in securing the Congressional Gold Medal for the Montford Pointers, to the museum. Finney is widely recognized in North Carolina and across the United States as an authority on the history of Montford Point.

Finney Gregg is immensely qualified to stand by the greatest leaders of our illustrious association and hold his head high.