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the Westport Museum since 2018. In recognition for her work as curator of the Museum's 2018-19 exhibit, Remembered: The History of African Americans in Westport, Ganeshram received the prestigious award for Leadership in the Museum Field from the New **England Museum Association** (NEMA). Remembered won awards of merit from the Connecticut League of History Associations (CLHO) and the coveted Award of Excellence from the American Association for State and Local History (AASLH). In 2019, Ganeshram was also awarded the Paul Cuffee Memorial Fellowship for the For the Study of Minorities in American Maritime History. In 2022 she was a Fellow at the Fred W. Smith Library for the Study of George

Washington at Mount Vernon.

Under Ganeshram's leadership, the Museum has partnered closely with organizations focused on BIPOC cultural movements. With her at its helm, the Museum has been recognized by museumindustry leaders and by Connecticut Humanities (an arm of the National Endowment for the Humanities) as a standard-bearer for how small to midrange museums can truthfully and faithfully address American history around race and identity — particularly relating to slavery and civil rights. Prior to her role at the Museum, Ganeshram was an award-winning journalist who holds a master's degree in journalism from Columbia University.