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We Want to Hear From You: Please Take a Survey

We are updating the state's historic preservation plan, as required by the National Park Service. We need your opinions and ideas to help formulate the plan.

Please take a few minutes to answer this [online survey](#). And please forward the link to others.

The SHPO has responsibility under the National Historic Preservation Act for developing, and revising as needed, a statewide historic preservation plan. The plan guides the work of the State Historic Preservation Office, but it also provides a vision for historic preservation in the state. The current state plan is [*Preserving Our Past to Build a Healthy Future: A Historic Preservation Plan for South Carolina 2007-2015*](#).

Nominations Open for Historic Preservation Awards

Nomination forms are now available for the 2015 South Carolina Historic Preservation Awards. In their 21st year, the awards are sponsored by the Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation, the Office of the Governor, and the SC Department of Archives and History. The six categories are Honor Awards, Stewardship Awards, Preservation Service Awards, Heritage Tourism Award, Elected Official Honor Award, and Governor's Award. The nomination form and directions are available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/awards.aspx>. For more information contact Michael Bedenbaugh of the Palmetto Trust at 803-924-9979, oldhouse@palmettotrust.org. **Nominations must be postmarked by March 20, 2015.**

Be a Presenter at the 2015 Preservation Conference April 23, 2015

Please consider proposing an educational session for the 2015 Historic Preservation Conference to be held April 23, 2015 in Columbia. Sessions can cover a variety of topics, and range in difficulty from "Preservation 101" to advanced discussions of exceptional, cutting-edge issues. Sessions should highlight models and strategies that conference attendees can apply in their own communities. For more details, please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. **Proposals are due February 2, 2015.** Any questions, please contact Elizabeth Johnson at emjohnson@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6168.

Reminder: FY 2015 Federal Grant Applications due February 6, 2015

Applications and instructions for the 2015 Historic Preservation Fund matching grants are now available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. **Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM, February 6, 2015.** Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172 or sauls@scdah.state.sc.us to discuss your project before you apply.

SAVE the Date: Historic Wood Windows Workshop Coming to SC in September

The National Preservation Institute will hold its "Historic Windows: Managing for Preservation, Maintenance, and Energy Conservation" seminar at the SC Archives & History Center in Columbia on **September 29-30, 2015**. For more information about the seminar and how to register, visit www.npi.org.

19 Ideas for What to Do with a Roofless Building

Check out these ideas and photographs from a recent blog post by [SmallBizSurvival](#).

A Few Tips to Save on Energy Bills This Winter

Here are a few tips on easy ways to save energy and money this winter season. <http://greenbuildingelements.com/2014/12/12/save-energy-winter/>. More information is available in the National Trust for Historic Preservation's [weatherization guide for older and historic buildings](#).

Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places Retires

Carol Shull, who joined the National Register staff of the National Park Service in 1972 as a historian, retired earlier this month. She served as Keeper of the National Register and interim Keeper for many years. She has also recently worked with the NPS' Teaching with Historic Places and Heritage Travel Itineraries programs as Chief of Heritage Education Services. Dr. Stephanie Toothman, NPS Associate Director of Cultural Resources, Partnerships, and Science, has assumed the title of Keeper of the National Register.

Preservation Green Lab: A Five-Year Review

This recent blog post highlights the research and publications of the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Green Lab, ranging from research on the contribution of older, smaller buildings to livable cities to a pilot program to position energy efficiency as a community development tool. Read more and get links to their research at http://blog.preservationleadershipforum.org/2014/12/22/preservation-green-lab-five-year-review/#.VLAcY_ko6os.

11 Most Endangered Historic Places List Accepting Nominations

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is now accepting nominations for the 2015 America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places List. Since 1988 the National Trust has used the list to raise awareness of threats to some of America's greatest national treasures. Since then, the list has brought national attention to over 250 historic sites. The deadline for submissions is March 2, 2015. For more information <http://www.preservationnation.org/issues/11-most-endangered/11-most-form.html#.VLqKdSvF8iM>.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

Section 106 Training Courses: The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has posted the 2015 dates and locations for their "**Section 106 Essentials**" and "**Advanced Seminar**" courses. Visit <http://www.achp.gov/106select.html> for more details. For registration, hotel/travel information, and other frequently asked questions, contact Cindy Bienvenue at cbienvenue@achp.gov, 202-517-0202.

Section 106 Webinars: Registration is also open for the Advisory Council's next Section 106 Webinar Series. A list of course dates, program descriptions, and registration instructions is at www.achp.gov/sec106webinar.html. Questions? E-mail webinar@achp.gov.

Annual Conference on South Carolina Archaeology, February 28, 2015, Columbia, SC. This year's conference will focus on the Yamasee War as we commemorate the war's 300th year anniversary. The conference will also feature a general session on South Carolina archaeology. Visit <http://www.assc.net/events/annual-conference> for more information.

Engineering for Historic Timber Framing Workshop, February 9 - 12, 2015, Natchitoches, LA. The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training is partnering with the Preservation Trades Network, the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches, and the Friends of NCPTT on this workshop investigating the engineering issues facing historic timber structures. For more information go to <http://ncptt.nps.gov/events/engineering-for-historic-timber-framing-workshop>.

NEW National Preservation Law Conference, February 25, 2015, Washington, DC. The National Preservation Law Conference 2015 is brought to you by the National Trust for Historic Preservation in partnership with [Georgetown University Law Center](#) and [Georgetown Law CLE](#). More information is available at <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/plt/plt-law.html#.VHy2cMkmWBt>. *Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits will be available.* Registration is limited to 200 participants.

NEW Historic House Museums Issues and Operations, February 26 - 27, 2015, Charleston. This two-day workshop offered by the American Association for State and Local History offers an intensive look at the management and interpretation of historic houses taught by Max van Balgooy, President, Engaging Places, LLC, and George McDaniel, Executive Director of Drayton Hall. Topics include Mission and Planning; Governance and Management; Marketing, Promotion, Fundraising, Membership & Earned Income; Sustainability and Alternative Uses for Historic Sites; and Interpretation, Education and Learning. Cost: \$270 member/\$350 nonmember, \$40 discount if fee is received by January 22. Please contact Bethany Hawkins, Program Manager at hawkins@aaslh.org or 615-320-3203 if you have any question. See also <http://resource.aaslh.org/view/historic-house-museum-issues-and-operations/>.

Preservation Advocacy Day, March 1 - 4, 2015, Washington, DC. Information will be posted on <http://www.preservationaction.org/>.

South Carolina Federation of Museums Annual Conference, March 11 - 13, 2015, Florence. This year's conference will focus on how museums are moving forward and expanding through new construction, technology, programs and partnerships. Visit <http://www.southcarolinamuseums.org/conference> for more information.

NEW Alliance for Historic Landscape Preservation Annual Meeting, March 18 - 21, 2015, Savannah, GA. The 37th annual gathering of the Alliance for Historic Landscape Preservation will provide a venue for lively discussions about the relationships between landscapes, culture, social conditions, and economic vitality. Click [here](#) for conference details and here for registration information <http://ahlp.org/annual-meetings/registration-form/>.

National Main Streets Conference, March 30 - April 2, 2015, Atlanta, GA. With the theme "TEAM Main Street: Teamwork and Entrepreneurship across Main Street" the conference will focus on bringing partners together to foster new ideas for building economic, financial, and business development successes. [For the latest news and information, sign up for conference email alerts.](#)

Landmarks Conference, April 9 - 11, 2015, Oconee County. Based on the theme of "Mountains, Museums, and More" the conference features tours of many sites in Seneca, Westminster and beyond, including the Tamassee DAR School, Chattooga Belle Farm, and Quilt Trail Factory. The **itinerary and registration information is now available** on the Confederation of SC Local Historical Societies webpage <http://www.palmettohistory.org/confederation/>.

National Council on Public History Annual Conference, April 15 - 18, 2015, Nashville, Tennessee. This year's conference is organized around the theme of "History on the Edge" and will offer a program of sessions, tours, working groups, keynote addresses, and workshops. Visit <http://ncph.org/cms/conferences/2015-annual-meeting/> for more information and to read the full conference program.

Mid Century Modern Structures: Materials and Preservation 2015 Symposium, April 13 - 16, 2015, St. Louis, MO. Focusing primarily on the history, use, and preservation of materials found in Mid-Century modern architecture, the 2015 three-day symposium will provide in-depth understanding of the complex issues associated with the preservation of these structures. For more information and to register see <http://ncptt.nps.gov/events/mid-century-modern-structures-2/>.

South Carolina's Historic Preservation Conference, April 23, 2015, Columbia. Proposals for educational sessions will be accepted until February 2, 2015. For more details, please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. To sign up to receive the conference registration brochure please contact Elizabeth Johnson at emjohnson@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6168.

NEW Building Foundations: Building A New Culture For Building Craft Education and Industry, May 14 - 16 2015, Savannah, GA. The Savannah Technical College Center for Traditional Craft in partnership with the Preservation Trades Network and the International Network for Traditional Building, Architecture & Urbanism (INTBAU) USA, will host the 5th International trades Education Symposium (ITES). The goal of this conference is to assess how educational providers have responded to calls for a greater trained workforce in traditional crafts. Themes include industry, business and higher

education; craft practitioners, teachers and the public; potential for development of skills exchange; collaboration on community, regional, national and international levels; and building a new culture for building craft education and industry. For details, see ptn.org.

National Rosenwald Schools Conference: Sharing the Past Shaping the Future, June 17 - 19, 2015, Durham, NC. The second national Rosenwald schools conference will feature 30 educational sessions, poster sessions, field sessions at area schools, and other thematic tours. To receive conference updates email Rosenwald@savingplaces.org with your contact information or call 843-722-8552.

NEW 2nd Annual Slave Dwelling Project Conference, October 8 - 10, 2015, North Charleston. The conference's mission is to convene attendees from around the United States and abroad to exchange ideas, resources, share perspectives and solutions to preserving extant African American slave dwellings for future generations. **The call for session proposals is currently open until February 28.** For more details go to <http://slavedwellingproject.org/2015-slave-dwelling-project-call-for-presenters/>.

Grant Application Deadlines

February 2, 2015: National Trust Preservation Funds. These grants encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects. The grants help stimulate public discussion, enable local groups to gain the technical expertise needed for particular projects, introduce the public to preservation concepts and techniques, and encourage financial participation by the private sector. Grants generally start at \$2,500 and range up to \$5,000. The selection process is very competitive. Only members of the National Trust at the Forum or Main Street levels are eligible to apply for funding from the National Trust Preservation Fund. To learn more about the grant program and how to apply go to <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/>.

February 6, 2015: Federal Historic Preservation Grants. Administered by the SHPO, these grants can assist two types of projects: (1) Survey and Planning Projects—eligible projects include surveys of historic properties, National Register nominations, preservation education, and preservation planning; (2) Stabilization Projects—eligible projects include stabilizing historic buildings or protecting historic buildings from the adverse effects of the weather (only for projects in Certified Local Government (CLG) communities). Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Federal Historic Preservation Grant. At least 10% of the state's annual grant from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. As funding is available after the required CLG minimum is met, then non-CLG projects may also be selected for funding. Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$25,000. The 2015 application is online at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. For additional information or to discuss a potential project contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, sauls@scdah.state.sc.us.

NEW February 20, 2015: Richland County Conservation Commission Historic Preservation Grants. The RCCC Historic Preservation Grant Program helps non-profit organizations, governmental agencies, institutions, and commercial entities preserve and protect historic buildings in Richland County. Historic Preservation Grants are available up to \$50,000 and may be used for preservation/restoration costs, consultant fees, or educational programs. A match of 20% is required. All projects must demonstrate a clear public benefit. Applications are online at richlandlegacy.com. Questions? Contact Nancy Stone-Collum at 803-576-2083 or stonecollumn@rcgov.us.

Online sources of grant information:

[National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) Finding Preservation Funding
[Preservation Directory](#) Grants and Funding Resources
[State Library](#) Grants Research Assistance
[SC Grantmakers Network](#)
[Federal grants](#) Grants.gov
[Foundation Center](#) Foundation Directory Online

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