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Historic Preservation Conference: Registration Open

Join us for the annual historic preservation conference on Thursday, April 23, at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia. Details about the program and registration can be found here http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx. We have a great group of speakers on a wide range of topics, a plenary session on Main Street, and hands-on demonstrations during lunch. Register early to secure your spot, and to receive the best rate. Questions about registration? Call 803-896-6124. Questions about the program? Call 803-896-6168.

And please note if you are in town for the preservation conference that Historic Columbia is hosting its annual Gardening Symposium on April 24 and 25. See http://www.historiccolumbia.org/events/2015-gardening-symposium.

Preservation Award Nominations Due March 20, 2015

Nomination forms are now available for the 2015 South Carolina Historic Preservation Awards. The six categories are Honor Awards, Stewardship Awards, Preservation
Service Awards, Heritage Tourism Award, Elected Official Honor Award, and Governor’s Award. The 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.

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Preservation Plan: Your Opinion Counts

Thanks to everyone who has completed the preservation plan survey. Since last month the responses have more than doubled to nearly 350 participants. If you have taken the survey “thank you!” If you haven’t yet, please take a few minutes to share your opinions and ideas using this survey form https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/scshpo.

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April Workshop on Using Tax Incentives for Your Development Projects

The SHPO is partnering with the SC Association for Community Economic Development to present a workshop on Wednesday, April 8 from 10 am to 4 pm at the SC Archives & History Center in Columbia. Topics will include federal, state and local tax incentives specifically for historic and/or abandoned buildings and the SC Community Development Tax Credit which provides a tax credit against SC income tax, bank tax, or insurance premium tax for a business investing in a community development corporation or community development financial institution. Learn how to use these tools to attract investment to underserved areas in South Carolina. Organizations that participate in this workshop will receive 5 points in Continuing Education Credit for the SC Community Economic Development Certification Program. For more information about the workshop, click here. To register, click here. For additional information contact Lowell Atkinson, lowell@scaced.org, 843-579-9855.

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Teaching With Historic Places: “Separate But Equal? South Carolina’s Fight Over School Segregation”

The National Park Service’s Teaching with Historic Places program recently launched its 158th lesson plan, Separate But Equal? South Carolina’s Fight Over School Segregation. The lesson helps students learn how segregation affected education in rural South Carolina in the 1940s and ‘50s, and how African American parents challenged this system for their children in Briggs v. Elliott—a case combined with Brown v. Board of Education. Students study South Carolina’s reaction to the lawsuit, which was to fund new schools for all students, regardless of race, in order to preserve segregation. Students will also investigate the sleek, modern architecture and features of the “equalization” schools and consider the implications of “separate but equal.” We have added a link to the lesson plan to our “For Teachers” website at http://shpo.sc.gov/res/Pages/Teachers.aspx. The lesson was written by Rebekah Dobrasko, historian with the Texas Department of Transportation, previously with the

The State Museum is also hosting the exhibit, *Courage: The Vision To End Segregation And The Guts To Fight For It*, developed by the Levine Museum of the New South that features the Briggs v. Elliott case. For more information see http://scmuseum.org/explore/exhibits/changing-exhibits/courage/.

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**Best of the South: Preserving Southern Architecture Award Nominations**

The Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians seeks nominations for the *Best of the South: Preserving Southern Architecture Award*. This annual award honors a project that preserves or restores an historic building, or complex of buildings, in an outstanding manner and that demonstrates excellence in research, technique, and documentation. Projects in the 12-state region of SESAH (which includes South Carolina) that were completed in 2013 or 2014 are eligible. Nominations should consist of no more than two typed pages of description, and be accompanied by hard copy illustrations and any other supporting material. A cover letter should identify the owner of the project, the use of the building(s), and the names of all the major participants of the project. Send three (3) copies to Paige Wagoner Claassen, 2608 Chesterfield Avenue, Charlotte, NC 28205. Questions: paigewagoner@gmail.com. **Deadline: July 1, 2015.** For more information about the award and SESAH, visit http://www.sesah.org.

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**PastForward 2015 Diversity Scholarship Program Applications**

The National Trust for Historic Preservation seeks emerging preservation professionals and community leaders new to the preservation field whose attendance at PastForward 2015, the national preservation conference in Washington DC scheduled for November 3 – 6, 2015, will strengthen their commitment to historic preservation and benefit their communities. Program participants will receive complimentary registration and lodging. For more information, go to http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/npc/. **Applications** are due May 5, 2015.

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**Preservation-by-Topic Website**

Technical Preservation Services (TPS) at the National Park Service has a 'Preservation-by-Topic' index on its website. The index is a finding aid for online and printed TPS information that has been developed on the subjects of historic preservation, cultural landscapes, and the rehabilitation of historic buildings. The index is arranged alphabetically, with topics cross-referenced, and the new electronic format allows the index to be linked directly to the specific documents and guidance, making finding that information even easier. It is reached from the "How to Preserve" tab on the TPS website, or directly at
Historic Wallpaper Online Collection

Historic New England houses a collection of historic wallpapers and is making images of them available online. See this article about the collection and to view examples.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

NEW Historic Window Restoration Workshop, March 21, 2015, Columbia. The Committee for the Restoration and Beautification of Randolph Cemetery is partnering with Historic Columbia and Shenandoah Restorations to hold a hands-on window restoration class at the Debruhl-Marshall House and Thompson Cottage. To register go to http://www.historiccolumbia.org/events/hands-on-window-workshop. Note that spaces are limited.

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. See http://www.nationalmainstreetsconference.org/.

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Landmarks Conference, April 9 - 11, 2015, Oconee County. Join the Confederation of SC Local Historical Societies for “Mountains, Museums, and More”. The conference features tours of sites in Seneca, Westminster, and beyond, including the Tamassee DAR School, Chattooga Belle Farm, and Quilt Trail Factory. Registration information is at 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. 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. For more details, please see http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx. Early registration discount available through April 9, 2015. Register by mail, or online at https://eventbrite.com/event/15851492240/.

Historic Preservation Trades Fair, April 25, 2015, Edgecombe Community College, Tarboro, NC. Crafters from North Carolina and the Southeast region will have booths, demonstrations, and displays about Historic Preservation. Home owners, woodworkers, construction firms – anyone with an interest in preserving buildings is encouraged to participate. Check the website for updated information http://www.edgecombe.edu/historic-preservation.

NEW 2015 South Carolina Humanities Festival, April 30 – May 2, 2015, Camden. The festival will feature a grants writing workshop, lectures, tours, receptions and more. More details about the festival, including a complete schedule of events will be available soon at http://schumanities.org/annualevents/humanitiesfestival/.

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). For details, see ptn.org.

National Rosenwald Schools Conference: Sharing the Past Shaping the Future, June 17 - 19, 2015, Durham, NC. Register now and join hundreds of preservationists, activists, historians, architects, and elected officials during an action-packed two days featuring presenters from various disciplines, such as restoration, architecture, and advocacy, along with Rosenwald and Booker T. Washington family members. Educational, field, and lightning sessions, as well as poster presentations, films, and walking tours round out the conference experience. See http://www.preservationnation.org/rosenwald/.

2015 National Underground Railroad Conference, June 17 – 20, 2015, Hilton Head Island. Organized by the National Park Service, the conference theme is “Into the Light: Striving for Freedom”. For more information, contact Diane Miller, National Program Manager, National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Program, 402-661-1588, diane_miller@nps.gov or Sheri Jackson, Southeast Regional Coordinator, 404-507-5635, sheri_jackson@nps.gov. See http://www.nps.gov/subjects/ugrr/annual-conference.htm.
NEW Window Preservation Summit II “The Business of Window Preservation,”
September 14 – 17, 2015, Mt. Carroll, IL. The Window Preservation Standards
Collaborative plans workshops on the business of window preservation; marketing;
hands-on field workshops; steam & infrared paint removal; best practices; mid-century
window preservation; steel casement window preservation; wood window preservation;
making wooden storm windows; glazing technology; paint technology; Dutchmen
repairs; working with the RRP rules; using social media; air infiltration testing and more.
More information will be posted on their website http://windowstandards.org/.

Historic Windows: Managing for Preservation, Maintenance, and Energy
Conservation, September 29 - 30, 2015, Columbia. The National Preservation Institute
will offer this seminar in cooperation with the State Historic Preservation Office. More
information about the seminar and registration is available at www.npi.org.

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. See
http://slavedwellingproject.org/.

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Grant Application Deadlines

Online sources of grant information:

National Trust for Historic Preservation Finding Preservation Funding
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State Library Grants Research Assistance
SC Grantmakers Network
Federal grants Grants.gov
Foundation Center Foundation Directory Online

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