

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION NEWS AND NOTES** from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)  
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**Opening of New Exhibit at the Archives and History Center: February 9**

Please join the South Carolina Department of Archives and History and the South Carolina Archives and History Foundation at the opening reception for *“Nothing is more necessary... than the... Publick Records,” The Records of Proprietary Era South Carolina, 1663 – 1721*. The reception will be Tuesday, February 9, 2016 from 6:00pm – 7:30pm at 8301 Parklane Road in Columbia. Hors d’oeuvres and beverages will be provided. For more information contact Grace Salter at [GSalter@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:GSalter@scdah.sc.gov).

For over three centuries, South Carolina has held in high regard the importance of caring for its public records. The records of South Carolina’s Proprietary Era have withstood the test of time, and the best examples currently are on display at the South Carolina Archives and History Center. Visitors to this exhibit will come face-to-face with drafts of the First Fundamental Constitution of Carolina (1669), the first surviving government record (1671), and South Carolina’s First “Declaration of Independence” (1719). Also on display is the Agreement Between the Proprietors to Further Supply the Fledgling Colony (1674), which established funding for the colony for an additional four years. Visitors can see the signature of John Locke on that document, which will broaden their understanding of him as not only a highly regarded, 17<sup>th</sup> century philosopher, but also as an important part of the early colonization of South Carolina.

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**Grant Applications for FY 2016: Deadline February 5**

Applications and instructions for the FY 2016 Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) matching grants are available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. Two types of projects are eligible: survey and planning, and stabilization (only for projects located in one of SC's 35 [Certified Local Government \(CLG\) communities](#)). **Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM, February 5, 2016.** Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or [bsauls@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:bsauls@scdah.sc.gov) to discuss your project before you apply.

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### **Last Call for Updates to Local History Organizations Directory**

Thank you to everyone who has responded to requests for information about local and state history organizations for an update of the *Directory of South Carolina's Local History, Historic Preservation, and Cultural Organizations* (available at [http://shpo.sc.gov/pubs/Documents/Local\\_History\\_Organizations\\_Directory.pdf](http://shpo.sc.gov/pubs/Documents/Local_History_Organizations_Directory.pdf)). We are making the final edits to the directory, so if your organization has not yet responded, please e-mail Doug Taylor at [dtaylor@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:dtaylor@scdah.sc.gov).

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### **New Listing in the National Register of Historic Places**

The **Apalache Mill Historic District** was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on December 15, 2015 for its association with the history of the textile industry in the late part of the nineteenth century and first half of the twentieth century in Spartanburg County. Throughout the mill's existence it produced fancy cotton, sheeting, and linen goods. Included in the listing are the 1888 mill and 1903 mill with additions; four contributing structures - water tower, granite retaining wall, dam, and millpond; and two contributing objects - fire pump and turbine/generator.

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### **SCDOT Offers Historic Bridges for Reuse**

The SC Department of Transportation is currently offering two bridges for adaptive reuse. Potential recipients must agree to move the structure, preserve the bridge and its historic features, and assume all legal and financial responsibilities for the bridge subsequent to its removal from its current location. Deed covenants may require the new owner to re-erect and maintain the bridge in accordance with established standards for historic bridges. Funding equal to the amount allocated for demolition of the truss section of the bridges is available to assist in relocation efforts. Responses/ requests must be received by February 12, 2016. For more information contact David Kelly at (803) 737-1645 or [kellydp@scdot.org](mailto:kellydp@scdot.org).

- US Route 21 (Sea Island Parkway) Bridge over Harbor River in Beaufort County: The 172-foot historic Warren through truss, swing span section of the bridge is being offered for adaptive reuse at a new location.

- S-19-68 (Key Road) Bridge over Turkey Creek in Edgefield and McCormick Counties: The 150-foot historic Parker thru truss, main span section of the bridge is being offered for adaptive reuse at a new location.

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## 2016 Is the Year of PRESERVATION 50!

In 2016 the [National Historic Preservation Act of 1966](#) turns 50 years old. This monumental year will celebrate half a century of achievements in preservation, archaeology, and more. Tag photos on social media with **#preservation50** all year long to celebrate your favorite places! Learn more about how you can get involved at <http://preservation50.org/about/nhpa-history/>.

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## Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Seeks Input on National Historic Preservation Program

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the independent federal agency that promotes the preservation, enhancement, and productive use of our nation's historic resources, and advises the President and Congress on national historic preservation, is inviting comments for a report on the challenges and opportunities facing the National Historic Preservation program at 50. The ACHP has posted initial observations on the challenges and opportunities facing the national preservation program and is inviting the public to add their comments. Read more at <http://www.achp.gov/50-challenges-opportunities.html> and **send comments and suggestions by March 1, 2016** to [NHPA50@achp.gov](mailto:NHPA50@achp.gov). The final report will be submitted to the incoming Administration and the 115th Congress.

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## Historic Preservation Wins and Losses in 2015

The National Trust for Historic Preservation compiled a list of both saves and losses for historic preservation in the past year. See this report to learn more about the properties featured <http://www.cnn.com/2015/12/31/travel/historic-preservation-wins-losses-2015-feat/index.html>.

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## Conferences / Workshops / Events (8 New Listings)

**NEW National Preservation Institute 2016 Seminars.** See the 2016 calendar for seminars on a variety of preservation topics <http://www.npi.org/seminar-listing>. Upcoming seminars in the southeast include:

- NEPA Compliance and Cultural Resources: Tallahassee, FL, March 1-2
- Section 4(f) Compliance and Cultural Resources: Tallahassee, FL, March 3-4
- Conflict Management and Negotiation Skills for Cultural and Natural Resource Managers: Richmond, VA, March 22-24

- Section 106 Agreement Documents: Atlanta, GA, April 12-14

**Advisory Council on Historic Preservation: Section 106 Training.** ACHP staff instructors will offer Section 106 training in cities nationwide next year. Join them for interactive courses that feature practical guidance and opportunities to apply learning in case-based exercises. The Section 106 Essentials covers the fundamentals needed to carry out or participate in a federal historic preservation review. A case study and small group exercises provide opportunities for participants to apply the ACHP's regulations to real-life scenarios. To register, go to <http://www.achp.gov/106select.html>.

**NEW SC African American Heritage Commission Annual Meeting and Awards,** January 22, 2016, Columbia. The African American Heritage Commission will hold its annual meeting "Preserving Our Places in History Through Trial & Triumph" and will present the Preserving Our Places in History Awards at the SC Archives and History Center. More information about the agenda and registration is available at <http://scaaheritagefound.org/annual.html>.

**NEW Christopher Werner Weekend,** January 29-30, 2016, Charleston. The American College of the Building Arts in Charleston, SC will present a special weekend event featuring lectures and tours focused on the work of Christopher Werner, a 19<sup>th</sup> century blacksmith who created decorative railings, gates and fences, verandahs, stairways, and grilles around Charleston. The schedule and registration information can be found at <http://americancollegeofthebuildingarts.com/Christopherwerner.html>.

**NEW Historic Plaster Workshop,** January 30, 2016, Columbia. Historic Columbia, in partnership with Allen University and GMK Associates, Inc., is offering a plaster workshop at Allen's historic Chappelle Auditorium from 9:30 to noon. The program begins with a tour of the Chappelle Auditorium and continues with a discussion of the building construction and materials of the auditorium and demonstration of plaster-its use, construction, and repair methods. For more information, please click [HERE](#). Or contact [reservations@historiccolumbia.org](mailto:reservations@historiccolumbia.org) or call 803.252.1770, ext. 23.

**NCSHPO Annual Meeting & Advocacy Day,** March 8-10, 2016, Washington D.C. See <http://www.preservationaction.org/advocacy-week/> for more information.

**South Carolina Federation of Museums Annual Conference,** March 9-11, 2016, Edgefield and Aiken. 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.

**National Council on Public History Annual Conference,** March 16-19, 2016, Baltimore, MD. Visit <http://ncph.org/cms/conferences/2016-annual-meeting/> for more information. The conference program has been posted and registration is open <http://bit.ly/NCPH2016>.

**7<sup>th</sup> National Forum on Historic Preservation Practice**, "A Critical Examination of the Next 50 Years," March 19-20, 2016, Goucher College, Baltimore, MD. For more information and to register visit <http://www.goucher.edu/graduate-programs/ma-in-historic-preservation/7th-national-forum>.

**Landmark Conference**, March 23–25, 2016, Beaufort. The SC Confederation of Local Historical Societies will hold its annual conference and awards in Beaufort. More information will be available in the coming months. Go to <http://www.palmettohistory.org/confederation/2016RegistrationPacket.pdf>. Registration deadline is February 23, 2016, and is limited to 100 participants.

**NEW Architectural Iron & Steel in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Design and Preservation of Contemporary & Historic Architecture**, April 2-4, 2016, Cambridge, MA. Organized by Technology & Conservation, MIT Dept. of Architecture's Building Technology Program, and the Boston Society of Architects' Historic Resources Committee the conference features over 35 noted architects, engineers, and researchers exploring the use, performance, maintenance, and preservation/restoration of cast iron, wrought iron, structural steel, AESS, stainless steel, and other steels used in new and existing buildings and monuments. [Click here for more information](#).

**Keeping History Above Water**, April 10-13, 2016, Newport, RI. This international, multi-disciplinary conference will focus on challenges and solutions for saving historic structures and neighborhoods in coastal communities. See <http://www.historyabovewater.org/>. If you have questions contact [historyabovewater@newportrestoration.org](mailto:historyabovewater@newportrestoration.org).

**South Carolina's Historic Preservation Conference**, April 22, 2016, Columbia. For more information visit <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>.

**NEW Window Preservation Workshop**, May 1-6, 2016, Bledsoe KY. A five day hands-on workshop held at the Pine Mountain Settlement School led by window restorer Bob Yapp. Participants will learn sash removal, lead safe paint and glass removal, epoxy wood repair, glazing putty application, weather stripping and sash re-installation. The Pine Mountain Settlement School is a National Historic Landmark located in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky. Class size is very limited. For more information [click here](#).

**National Main Streets Conference**, May 23-25, 2016, Milwaukee, WI. [Click here](#) for more information.

**2016 Vernacular Architecture Forum Conference**, "From Farm to Factory: Piedmont Stories in Black and White," June 1-4, 2016, Durham, NC. For information, visit [this website](#), where details will be added as planning progresses.

**NEW SC Humanities Festival**, June 10-11, 2016, Beaufort. For more information visit <http://schumanities.org/annualevents/humanitiesfestival/>.

**A Century of Design in the Parks: Preserving the Built Environment in National and State Parks**, June 21-23, 2016, Santa Fe, NM. The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training is organizing this conference on how to preserve the built environment within national and state parks. Questions? Call Debbie Smith at NCPTT (318) 356-7444 ex 259 or email: [Debbie\\_Smith@nps.gov](mailto:Debbie_Smith@nps.gov).

**National Alliance of Preservation Commissions FORUM 2016**, July 27-31, 2016, Mobile, AL. A historic preservation conference and training program focused on the issues of preservation commissions and commission staff. More information can be found on the [NAPC website](#).

**NEW Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians 2016**, September 28–October 1, 2016, New Orleans, LA. A call for session proposals is currently open. For more information see <http://sesah.org>. The deadline is **March 31, 2016**.

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### **Grant Application Deadlines**

**February 1, 2016: National Trust Preservation Funds.** These grants encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects. Grants generally start at \$2,500 and range up to \$5,000. The selection process is very competitive. 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 5, 2016: 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 2016 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, [bsauls@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:bsauls@scdah.sc.gov).

**NEW February 19, 2016: Richland County Conservation Commission Historic Preservation Grants.** The RCCC Historic Preservation Grant Program helps non-profit organizations, governmental agencies, educational institutions, and commercial entities

1) preserve and protect historic buildings or sites in Richland County or 2) develop educational and research programs to promote historic preservation in Richland County. Grants are available up to \$50,000. A match of 20% is required. All projects must demonstrate a clear public benefit. Click on this link [2017 Application](#). Questions? Contact Nancy Stone-Collum at 803-576-2083 or [stonecollumn@rcgov.us](mailto:stonecollumn@rcgov.us).

### **Online sources of grant information:**

**National Trust offers grants to Main Street towns** through its Historic Properties Redevelopment Program. [Click here](#) to learn more.

[National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) Finding Preservation Funding  
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