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Save the Date! 2011 Preservation Conference: March 31 – April 1, 2011

Mark your calendars for March 31 – April 1, 2011 for the 2011 SC Preservation Conference, which is returning to Columbia and the Archives and History Center. A wide range of session topics are planned: energy efficiency and historic buildings, planning for historic cemeteries, recent past resources, rehabilitation success stories, archaeology and archives, how to use Section 106 to protect historic places that matter to your community, and using tax credits to finance historic rehabs. Details about these and other sessions will be posted online at <http://www.shpo.sc.gov/conf/>. For more information, contact Jennifer Satterthwaite, jsatt@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6171.

Present a Poster at the 2011 Preservation Conference

We are seeking proposals for a Poster Session at the 2011 Preservation Conference. The poster session is an opportunity for historical societies, students, organizations, and consultants to highlight research or projects related to the history of South Carolina. Posters should include visuals such as photographs, websites, or maps as well as text to explain and highlight the topic. There will be space near the posters to provide handouts, brochures, or other “take-aways” for attendees of the conference. Posters must be the standard size of 36 inches x 48 inches (think science fair projects!) available at office supply stores. All displays will be set up prior to the session (*time and date to be announced*) and participants are expected to discuss their projects with conference attendees during the designated time for the Poster Session.

Proposals must include:

1. Contact information, including name, address, e-mail, phone number, and affiliation
2. A description of the proposed poster, including title and topic, that explains and promotes the project
3. Visual mock-ups **may** be provided, but are not required

For more information see the “Call for Proposals” link on the SHPO website <http://shpo.sc.gov>. **Proposals are due January 31, 2011.** Please contact Rebekah Dobrasko if you have questions at Dobrasko@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6183.

2011 South Carolina African American Heritage Commission Annual Meeting, Awards Luncheon and Gala

On January 28, 2011 the SC African American Heritage Commission will host its annual meeting “African Americans & the Civil War: Perspectives on Class and Culture” at the Archives and History Center in Columbia. The Commission will also present its Preserving Our Places in History Awards (see call for nominations below). The evening gala will feature New York City’s Opera Noire in a performance at the Township Auditorium. Information about the annual meeting program, awards and gala is available on the Commission’s website <http://www.shpo.sc.gov/SCAAHC.htm>. **Registrations are due January 12, 2011.**

Preserving Our Places in History Awards

The SC African American Heritage Commission invites nominations for the 2011 Preserving Our Places in History Awards. The nomination form is online at the Commission’s website <http://www.shpo.sc.gov/SCAAHC.htm>. **The deadline for nominations is December 17, 2010.** Awards will be presented January 28, 2011

at the Commission's annual meeting at the Archives and History Center in Columbia. Nominations are sought in four categories:

- **Individual Award:** Recognizes a person who has demonstrated or made an outstanding accomplishment in preserving and interpreting African American history and culture in SC during the past year.
- **Group or Organization Award:** Recognizes a group or organization that has demonstrated or made an outstanding accomplishment in preserving and interpreting African American history and culture in SC during the past year.
- **Project Award:** Recognizes a project that has significantly and dramatically influenced in a permanent way the preservation and interpretation of African American history and culture in SC during the past year.
- **Lifetime Achievement Award:** Recognizes a person, group or organization that has made a notable, successful, sustained and lasting contribution to the preservation of African American history and culture in SC.

Did You Know ... About the National Register of Historic Places?

The National Register of Historic Places is a list of properties significant in our nation's past, maintained by the National Park Service. While listing is primarily honorific, it does help owners qualify for tax incentive programs. Properties are added to the list by nominations submitted by citizens through State Historic Preservation Offices.

South Carolina has over **1,400** listings in the National Register, ranging from districts with hundreds of properties to individual buildings, from battlefields to ships, from schools to farmsteads. Sites document the breadth of South Carolina history from pre-historic Native American sites, Revolutionary War battlefields, textile mill villages, and the Civil Rights movement. Information about all of the listings is online at <http://www.nationalregister.sc.gov/nrlinks.htm>.

Newest Listings in the National Register of Historic Places

On October 22, 2010 a significant expansion of the boundaries of the **Ashley River Historic District** was added to the National Register of Historic Places. The Ashley River Historic District was first listed in the National Register on September 12, 1994, and included approximately 7,000 acres between the Ashley River Road and the north bank of the Ashley River. The expanded Ashley River Historic District is a unique, nationally significant cultural landscape comprising 23,828.26-acres bounded by the Ashley River, the Ashley-Stono Canal, and a network of roads established in the late-17th century to

connect Charleston with the extensive interior land holdings of the settlers as well as with important Native American trade routes.

The Ashley River Historic District includes these transportation networks, along with the buildings, structures, landscape features, and archaeological sites of the late-17th century through the mid-20th century. Significant and well-known historic resources in the district include plantations, gardens, vernacular buildings, and country houses that were established along the banks of the Ashley River. However, it also includes the extensive savannas and wetlands that, as locations of major slave settlements, livestock pens and pastures, agricultural fields, and phosphate mining and forestry operations, were essential to the economic vitality of the plantation system. This system was tested and defined during the Proprietary period, firmly established during the Colonial and Antebellum eras, and revived with new industry following the Civil War and Reconstruction which continued well into the 20th century. These tracts of land between the Ashley River to the north, and the Rantowles Creek/Stono Swamp watershed to the south continue to be used in the early-21st century for their timber and mineral resources, for their recreational value to equestrian and hunt clubs, and as a major tourist destination. The boundary expansion nomination and map, as well as the original nomination are online at <http://www.nationalregister.sc.gov/charleston/S10817710158/index.htm>.

The **Charleston Naval Hospital Historic District** in North Charleston was also listed in the National Register of Historic Places on October 22, 2010. The Charleston Naval Hospital Historic District is significant as an example of the effort to mobilize medical support for the Navy during World Wars I and II and the Navy's ability to create a permanent and professional medical service for Navy personnel and their dependents. The district is also architecturally significant for buildings and structures that reflect the time periods in which they were constructed corresponding to large building periods at the Charleston Navy Base during the First and Second World Wars. The majority of buildings incorporate both Spanish Colonial and Mission style forms with Modern details and materials. The earliest structures date from 1917, but most of the historic resources date from World War II. To see photographs, the nomination form and map go to <http://www.nationalregister.sc.gov/charleston/S10817710184/index.htm>.

This district was first identified during the closure of the Charleston Naval Base in the mid-1990s, and the listing will help with the redevelopment of the base through the federal and state rehabilitation tax credit programs.

[Congratulations to Greer and McCormick](#)

Congratulations to the **City of Greer** and the **Town of McCormick**, recently approved as Certified Local Governments (CLGs) by the National Park Service

and the SHPO, becoming our 29th and 30th CLGs. The CLG program recognizes local governments that have established a local historic preservation program that includes the identification and protection of historic properties. The CLG program establishes partnerships among the local governments, the SHPO, and the National Park Service to facilitate funding, technical assistance and training. For more information about the CLG program go to <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/localgovt/certified.htm> or contact Jennifer Satterthwaite at jsatt@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6171.

South Carolina's other CLG communities are: Abbeville, Aiken, Anderson, Beaufort, Bennettsville, Bluffton, Blythewood, Charleston, Cheraw, Chester, Chesterfield, Columbia, Conway, Darlington, Dillon, Fort Mill, Georgetown, Greenville, Horry County, Laurens, Lexington, McClellanville, Mt. Pleasant, Rock Hill, Seneca, Spartanburg, Sumter, and York.

Diversity Internship Program at the National Park Service

The National Park Service is accepting proposals for cultural resources diversity interns for the summer of 2011. Each year the program cosponsors 15 to 18 interns who work on a historic preservation or cultural resources management project for ten weeks, beginning June 6, 2011. The cost for selected projects is shared on a 50/50 basis. The [guidelines and application](#) are available online.

The program coordinator, Turkiya Lowe, can be contacted at 202-354-2266, or by email turkiya_lowe@contractor.nps.gov. **Applications are due November 30, 2010.**

How Cultural and Heritage Tourism Organizations Can Beat the Recession

The National Trust for Historic Preservation has created a Cultural Heritage Tourism Survival Toolkit at www.preservationnation.org/survival-toolkit/. The toolkit can be searched by region, organization type, or strategy for guidance for a broad range of attractions and fields, including the arts, preservation, tourism, museums, humanities, and more. The toolkit features

- 11 survival strategies culled from in-depth interviews with hundreds of people and organizations nationwide
- Case studies that illustrate those survival strategies in action
- Links to other online toolkits for additional information on moving forward in a bad economy

Preservation for a New Century

The National Trust for Historic Preservation has also just released a new publication *Preservation for a New Century* organized around three themes:

- Preservation is about saving places that matter to all Americans.
- Preservation is undercapitalized
- Preservation is increasingly mainstream yet unrecognized.

To access the report go to

<http://www.preservationnation.org/issues/preservation-for-a-new-century/future-directions.html>.

Guidance on New Exterior Additions to Historic Buildings

The National Park Service has expanded and revised [Preservation Brief 14: *New Exterior Additions to Historic Buildings: Preservation Concerns*](#). The revised Brief features all new illustrations and contains expanded and updated design guidance on the subject of new additions that has been developed by Technical Preservation Services since the original publication of the Brief in 1986. Originally written by Kay D. Weeks, the Brief has been revised and expanded by Anne E. Grimmer, Senior Architectural Historian, Technical Preservation Services. Click the link above to order a copy from NPS.

11 Most Endangered Historic Places List for 2011

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is now accepting applications for its list of America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places. More information and the application can be found at www.PreservationNation.org/11Most. **The deadline for submitting a nomination is January 14, 2011.** Since 1988, the list has been a powerful tool for raising awareness and rallying resources to save endangered sites from every region of the country. For additional information, email 11Most@nthp.org or call 202-588-6141.

Conferences/Workshops/Events

NEW Heritage Corridor workshop "Get More Through PR Planning, December 6, 2010 in Elloree, SC. Topics include components of a great communications plan, how to use it to get media attention and increase public awareness, funding and visitation to your heritage tourism destination. For more information and to register, go to http://www.sc-heritagecorridor.org/for_our_partners/training_opportunities/.

Section 106: Agreement Documents, December 7 - 9, 2010 in Atlanta, GA. This advanced seminar from the National Preservation Institute focuses on memoranda of agreement and programmatic agreements under Section 106 of

the National Historic Preservation Act. For a detailed agenda and registration information go to www.npi.org.

NEW 2011 Training Schedule for Section 106 Essentials and Advanced 106 Seminar. The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has announced its 2011 training schedule. Please see www.achp.gov/106 for agendas, dates and locations, registration and pricing. Special registration rates are offered for individuals and groups who register for the Essentials Course and pay prior to December 15, 2010. Contact Cindy Bienvenue at cbienvenue@achp.gov if you have any questions.

South Carolina African American Heritage Commission Annual Meeting, Awards Luncheon, and Gala, January 28, 2011, Archives and History Center in Columbia. The brochure and registration form are on the Commission's website <http://www.shpo.sc.gov/SCAAHC.htm>. For more information contact Jannie Harriot at 843-917-3350 or scaaheritagefoundation@gmail.com.

NEW Governor's Conference on Tourism and Travel, February 21 – 23, 2011 in Charleston, SC. More information is at <http://www.scpvt.com/govcon.aspx>.

NEW SC Preservation Conference, March 31 – April 1, 2011, Columbia, SC. A wide range of educational sessions covering topics from archaeology to tax credits are planned. More details will be posted online at <http://www.shpo.sc.gov/conf/>. For more information, contact Jennifer Satterthwaite, jsatt@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6171

Grant Application Deadlines

December 2010: Conservation Assessment Program. Museums with small to mid-sized collections are eligible to receive professional assessments of the museum's collection and environmental conditions. Museums with buildings more than 50 years old may receive the services of an architectural assessor. The services are available to eligible museums on a first come, first served basis. More information is online at www.heritagepreservation.org/cap/.

January 5 & 19, 2011: The Humanities Council of South Carolina Major Grants. Major Grants are for public humanities programs that are large in scale. Awards are in sums between \$1,500 and \$8,000. Preliminary drafts are due January 5, and final drafts are due January 19. For more information about grants contact T. J. Wallace at tjwallace@schumanities.org or 803-771-2477, or visit the website: <http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply>.

NEW The Humanities Council also accepts applications for mini and planning grants monthly. On November 1, 2010 the maximum award for these grants was

raised to \$2,000. See <http://schumanities.org/home/newsstory/383> for more details.

January 13, 2011: Battlefield Project Grants, American Battlefield Protection Program, National Park Service. These grants provide seed money for projects that lead directly to the identification, preservation and interpretation of battlefield land and/or historic sites associated with battlefields. Grants range from \$5,000 to \$80,000. Eligible applicants are non-profit groups, academic institutions, other private sector organizations, and local, regional, state, and tribal governments. For more information go to <http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/abpp/grants/battlefieldgrants/2011grants.htm>.

February 1, 2011: 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. Projects must be located within cities, towns, and counties that are Certified Local Governments (CLGs). (See the list of South Carolina CLGs at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/localgovt/certified.htm>) Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$25,000. The 2011 application is online at <http://shpo.sc.gov/grants/preservationgrants/>.

February 1, 2011: Preservation Services Fund Grants: Administered by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, these grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations and public agencies for preservation planning and education efforts. Grant awards range from \$500 to \$5,000. For more information, contact the Southern Office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation at 843-722-8552 or soro@nthp.org and the National Trust website at <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/>.

Information about other grants is available on the Archives and History website at <http://shpo.sc.gov/grants/otherincentives/>.

NEW This website www.npguides.org offers free Web-based grant-writing tools for non-profit organizations, charitable, educational, public organizations, and other community-minded groups.

The Preservation Directory.com also offers a guide to grants and funding sources <http://www.preservationdirectory.com/PreservationGeneralResources/GrantsFundingSources.aspx>.

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