

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION NEWS AND NOTES** from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)  
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**Happy Holidays!**

Please note: State offices will be closed December 23 – 27, 2016 and January 2, 2017

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**State Board of Review Approves 7 Nominations**

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places met Friday, November 18, 2016 and approved the following nominations:

- St. Luke's Parish Zion Chapel Of Ease Cemetery, Hilton Head Island, Beaufort County
- Charleston Consolidated Railway, Electric, and Gas Company Car House (Trolley Barn), Charleston, Charleston County
- General Asbestos and Rubber Company Main Mill (GARCO), North Charleston, Charleston County
- Old Pilgrim Baptist Church Cemetery and Kilgore Cemetery, Simpsonville vicinity, Greenville County
- Columbia Commercial Historic District (Additional Documentation), Richland County
- Columbia Commercial Historic District (Boundary Increase), Richland County
- Olympia Union Hall, Columbia, Richland County

These nominations will be forwarded to the Keeper of the National Register at the National Park Service in Washington, DC who makes the final decision about listing the property in the National Register. For more information about the State Board of Review, see <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/natreg/Pages/Board.aspx> or contact Ehren

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## 5 New Listings in the National Register of Historic Places

The **James Phinney House** in Chester County was listed in the National Register October 11, 2016. The James Phinney House was built in 1856 and is a fine example of a late antebellum Greek Revival raised cottage. The house has a low-pitch side-gabled roof and prominent central entry portico featuring a pediment supported by four square wooden pillars. The Phinney House was once at the center of a substantial upstate cotton plantation and the 1860 U.S. Federal Census Slave Schedule lists James Phinney as owning thirty-three enslaved people, making him a very prominent slaveholder within the context of Chester District.

The **Oconee County Courthouse**, at 211 W. Main Street in Walhalla, was also listed in the National Register October 11, 2016. Constructed in 1956, the Oconee County Courthouse is an interesting and eclectic mix of periods within the Modern movement: steel enamel paneling, heavy limestone cornices and sills, and large glass paneling add characteristically midcentury ornament to a body otherwise reminiscent of the Stripped Classicism that is typically seen in buildings built several decades earlier. This mixing of styles makes the Oconee County Courthouse stand out among South Carolina's civic structures, and within the portfolio of its designers, the regionally significant architectural firm Lyles, Bissett, Carlisle & Wolff.

**Pine Street School**, at 500 South Pine Street in Spartanburg, was listed in the National Register October 17, 2016. The school building represents three major building campaigns: the original, two-story, roughly L-shaped, Beaux-Arts building with facades on Boyd and Pine streets constructed in 1928-29; a one-story classroom wing extending east from the historic northern elevation constructed in 1956; and a large two-story addition extending to the east of the historic Pine Street façade, with a one-story extension to the rear of this elevation constructed between 1999 and 2001. The school is significant in the areas of education and architecture. The original design was influenced by the new South Carolina school building code of 1924, which was written following a fire at the Cleveland School in Kershaw in 1923 that killed seventy-seven people. Charles Coker Wilson, who was the architect for the Pine Street School, was also the principal author of the 1923 building code and deployed his ideas in the design of the school.

**American Spinning Company Mill No. 2**, located at 300 Hammett Street in Greenville, was listed in the National Register October 18, 2016. It is an early twentieth century textile mill that was constructed just outside the city of Greenville in 1902. The current Mill complex occupies approximately thirteen acres and is located among the remnants of several old mill communities now known as San Souci and the Poe Mill neighborhoods. The mill property includes two contributing buildings: the main mill building and the cotton warehouses (with subsequent additions): and two contributing

structures: the water tower and the reservoir. The mill complex is significant for its association with the textile industry, which played a vital role in the development of the South Carolina upstate during much of the twentieth century. It is also significant architecturally, for its association with the prolific engineering and design firm Lockwood & Greene, who designed textile mills from New England to the Carolinas, as well as Greenville residents Joseph E. Serrine and Capt. Jacob Cagle, both of whom were associated with the design and construction of the plant.

**Melrose Heights-Oak Lawn-Fairview Historic District** in Columbia was listed in the National Register November 2, 2016. The district a collection of 607 contributing buildings, including historic outbuildings, and 185 non-contributing buildings, including non-contributing outbuildings, and 24 non-contributing structures located a mile and a half east of Columbia's original city limits. The neighborhoods of Melrose Heights and Oak Lawn emerged in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, beginning with the efforts of the Powell family to subdivide and develop the land. Buildings in the district represent many distinct architectural styles and forms from the early- to mid-twentieth century. These styles and forms include Colonial Revival, Tudor Revival, Spanish Colonial Revival, Prairie School, Bungalow/Craftsman, Airplane Style Bungalow, Ranch, Bungalow, Minimal Traditional, Kit Homes, and American Foursquare. The district is significant in the areas of community planning/development, architecture, and landscape architecture.

Images of these new listings are available on the agency's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/scdah/>, and will soon be added to the SC Historic Properties Record <http://schpr.sc.gov/>.

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### **FY 2017 Historic Preservation Grants Due February 3, 2017**

Applications and instructions for the FY 2017 Historic Preservation Fund Grants are available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. **Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM, February 3, 2017.** Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, [bsauls@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:bsauls@scdah.sc.gov) to discuss your project before you apply.

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### **Archaeologist Job Opening at SHPO**

The South Carolina SHPO continues to accept applications for an Archaeologist II. The job posting can be found [here](#) on the South Carolina state jobs website, and includes information about the job duties, qualifications, and application process. The position will remain open until filled, but applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

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### **2017 Preservation Conference Proposals Due January 13, 2017**

We are accepting proposals for education sessions at the 2017 Historic Preservation Conference, which will be held April 21, 2017 in Columbia at the SC Archives and

History Center. Education sessions can cover a variety of topics, and range in difficulty from "Preservation 101" to advanced discussions of cutting-edge issues. For more details, please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. **Proposals are due January 13, 2017.** Questions? Contact Elizabeth Johnson at [ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov), 803-896-6168.

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## **Secretary of the Interior's 2016 Historic Preservation Awards**

The National Park Service is currently accepting nominations for the Secretary of the Interior's 2016 Historic Preservation Awards. These Awards for Historic Preservation recognize the contributions of employees across many levels of government to maintaining, preserving, and enhancing cultural heritage. **Nominations are due Friday, January 6, 2017.** For more information click on the link to the [Secretary of the Interior's Awards](#).

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## **Conferences / Workshops / Events**

**NEW Webinar on Historic Tax Credits**, Wednesday, December 21, 2-3 pm. Technical Preservation Services at the National Park Service is offering an introductory webinar to review the basics of the Federal Historic Tax Credit. To register go to <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4107955040760356355>.

**2017 Section 106 Training.** The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has announced the schedule for Section 106 training in 2017. Interactive courses feature practical guidance and opportunities to apply learning in case-based exercises. Visit <http://www.achp.gov/106select.html> for registration details and pricing. Please contact Cindy Bienvenue at [cbienvenue@achp.gov](mailto:cbienvenue@achp.gov) if you have any questions. **Register by December 31 to receive a discounted rate.**

**International Architectural Paint Research Conference**, March 15-17, 2017, New York, NY. For more information visit [International Architectural Paint Research Conference](#).

**2017 SC Historic Preservation Conference**, April 21, 2017, SC Archives and History Center, Columbia. **We are currently accepting session proposals**, and details on the program and registration will be available early next year. Comments and suggestions can be sent to Grace Salter, [gsalter@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:gsalter@scdah.sc.gov) or Elizabeth Johnson, [ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov).

**National Council on Public History**, April 19-22, 2017, Indianapolis, IN. Information on registration, lodging, and conference exhibiting can be found here: <http://ncph.org/conference/2017-annual-meeting/>. **Early bird registration is available through March 8, 2017.**

**Main Street Now Conference**, May 1-3, 2017, Pittsburgh, PA. For more information visit [Main Street Now! Conference](#).

**Vernacular Architecture Forum 2017 Annual Meeting**, May 31-June 3, 2017, Salt Lake City, UT. For more information visit the VAF website at [www.vafweb.org](http://www.vafweb.org).

**Transforming Public History from Charleston to the Atlantic World**, June 15-17, 2017, Charleston. Please see the conference page for more information <http://claw.cofc.edu/conferences/2017-conference/>.

**NEW American Association of State and Local History**, September 6–9, 2017, Austin, TX. More information is available at <http://about.aaslh.org/conference/>.

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### **Grant Application Deadlines**

**January 18, 2017 SC Humanities Major Grants.** Major Grants are for public humanities programs that are large in scale. Major Grants are accepted twice a year. Awards are in sums between \$2,000 and \$8,000. For more information, including lists of previous grant awards, go to <http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply/>.

**February 1, 2017 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://forum.savingplaces.org/build/find-funding/grant-seekers/preservation-funds>.

**February 3, 2017 Historic Preservation Fund Grants.** Applications and instructions for the FY 2017 Historic Preservation Grants are available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. Administered by the SHPO, these matching grants can assist Survey and Planning Projects and Stabilization Projects. Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Survey and Planning Project. Local governments, non-profits and institutions located in a Certified Local Government (CLG) community may also apply for a Stabilization Project. At least ten percent of the state's annual allocation from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$30,000. For more information contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, [bsauls@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:bsauls@scdah.sc.gov).

**NEW February 17, 2017: Richland County Conservation Commission Historic Preservation Grants.** The RCCC Historic Preservation Grant Program helps non-profit and neighborhood organizations, governmental agencies and institutions, and commercial entities preserve and protect historic buildings and cemeteries in Richland County. Historic Preservation Grants are available up to \$50,000 and may be used for

restoration costs, or educational and research programs that promote the history of Richland County. A 20% match is required. Applications are online at [richlandlegacy.com](http://richlandlegacy.com). Questions? Contact Nancy Stone-Collum at 803-576-2083 or [stonecolumn@rcgov.us](mailto:stonecolumn@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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