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# SC 250

ANNIVERSARY

*American Revolution*

**January 27, 2026**



Gullah Kinfolk Traveling Theater Performance at Liberty Day 2026

# Honoring the Full Story of the American Revolution

Black History Month invites us to pause and consider whose stories we remember, and whose we are still learning to tell.

To honor the American Revolution fully, we must recognize the African Americans whose labor, courage, and resilience shaped our state and nation. Through our SC250 grant program, we are proud to support projects that help bring these stories forward.

With the support of SC250, Culture & Heritage Museums in York County preserved and made accessible the Enslaved Ancestral Burial Ground at Historic Brattonsville, ensuring that 481 men, women, and children of African descent are acknowledged with dignity and care. [At the heart of this work](#) was the return of the headstone of Watt and his wife Polly to their original resting place, reconnecting their story to the land they lived and labored on.

Across South Carolina, SC250-supported initiatives from the Da’Gullah Revolutionary Experience in Beaufort County to Living History through the Eyes of the Enslaved in Berkeley County are deepening our understanding of the Revolution as a complex human story. [As historian Dr. Larry D. Watson](#), author of [\*The Impact of the American Revolution on Slave Manumissions in South Carolina, 1760-1800\*](#) so thoughtfully shared, “These are the stories we need to tell.”

This month, and beyond, we remain committed to telling them, and we invite you to join us. Here is a list of up coming events centered around the stories of African Americans our partners are sharing this month:

**February 17 | 12pm | Kershaw County**

[Blue, Red, & Black: African Americans and the Revolutionary War](#)

**February 17 | 6pm | Berkeley County**

[African American People of Color](#)

**February 21 | 10am | Lancaster County**

Patriots of Color Genealogical Workshop

**February 23 | 10:30am | Berkeley County**

American American Revolutionary Era

**February 26 | 6pm | Charleston County**

To the Last Drop of Blood



Interactive exhibits. Rare Documents. Whispers of history. If you've never been to the South Carolina Historical Society, let this serve as your nudge to work a visit into your next Charleston trip. There is so much history to get lost in within the building's walls, but

what's even more exciting is that with funding from SC250, SCHS is taking the Revolutionary War experience on the road!

*Stories Across the State*, is a new program that brings the stories from the 18<sup>th</sup> century war directly to communities across South Carolina through small, engaging gatherings. The programs are designed for groups of 15-25 people to provide a meaningful way for participants to connect through history and conversation.

Organizations may select from three program topics:

- All in the Whist: Betting on the 4th South Carolina Regiment in the Battle of Sullivan's Island
- Art and the American Revolution
- Revolutionary Correspondence: The Letters, Life, and Legacy of Henry Laurens

To learn more about the program and the opportunity to host one, reach out through the link below.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**February 21**

[Revolutionary Berkeley Day](#)

**Berkeley County**

**February 27**

[Francis Marion Memorial Service](#)

**Berkeley County**

**February 21**

[The American Heritage Festival](#)

**Florence County**

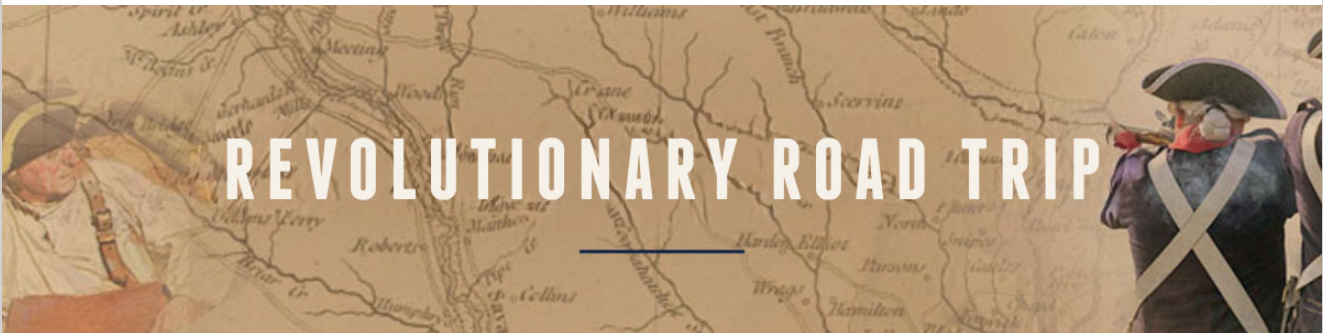
**March 1**

[The Promise](#)

**Calhoun County**

**MORE EVENTS**

[Print upcoming event list here.](#)



After a busy few weeks traveling across South Carolina, our marketing team made a stop in North Augusta to explore Living History Park where an immersive audio tour transports you back to colonial times as you stroll through a recreated 18th-century village. It's hands-on history at its finest and a powerful reminder of the stories that shaped our state.



Living History Park is just one highlight of Thoroughbred Country, a region perfect for your next Revolutionary Road Trip. From scenic trails to storied landmarks like God's Acre Healing Springs and Hitchcock Woods, adventure and history go hand in hand here. And no visit would be complete

without a stop at Silver Bluff Sanctuary, home to the site of Fort Galphin which is now an active archaeological dig that's open to the public. Plan your visit through Thoroughbred Country through the link below!

**REVOLUTIONARY ROAD TRIP**

# GRANT UPDATES

## Upcoming Grant Deadlines

**Monthly Grant (up to \$15,000): 2/2/26 at 3 p.m. EST**

**Major Grants (\$15,001-\$125,000) & Premier Projects (\$125,001+):  
3/26/26**

Deadlines refer to the date and time by which applications must be submitted in the [Discover SC WebGrants](#) portal, as postmarked materials will not be accepted. Grant funding is dependent on allocations from the State Legislature each year. SC250 may choose to fund, not fund, or partially fund applications. All information is intended to be a summary and is subject to change.

## Carolina Days Grants

In addition to the current competitive grants offered, SC250 is excited to offer grant opportunities through May 2026 that support community engagement tied to [Carolina Days](#), a statewide celebration built around a series of daily themes such as celebrating local communities, exploring state sites and trails, highlighting arts and stories, supporting local businesses, honoring historical figures, and marking Independence Day from **June 27–July 5, 2026**. Because the Carolina Days framework is broad and community-focused, projects **do not have to be limited to the traditional Revolutionary War era of 1770–1783** to be eligible for SC250 grants; instead, they can qualify to apply as long as they connect meaningfully to one of the established Carolina Days themes and help local communities celebrate South Carolina’s rich American Revolution history.

[CAROLINA DAYS INFO](#)

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