



Cultural Heritage Trust Program
South Carolina Department of Natural Resources



March 2019

Archaeology Events and Programs

POCKOY ISLAND

SHELL RINGS



A HERITAGE AT RISK CASE STUDY

The *Pockoy Island Shell Rings: A Heritage at Risk Case Study* exhibit will be open to the public March 25 - 29 and June 3 - 7, 2019 from 10am to 4pm. Entry is free. For more information about this and other Cultural Heritage Trust events, check out the [Full Calendar](#).



Join Us at Pockoy Island in May 2019!

Within the Southeastern United States, more than 19,000 archaeological sites will be submerged by the end of the century. Unfortunately, Pockoy Island Shell Ring 1, one of two shell rings located on Pockoy Island, will be gone by 2024. Rapid archaeological investigation is critical, and you can help!



Archaeology Internships

Find out if a career in archaeology is the right fit for you through our high school, undergraduate and graduate internship programs. Applications are due no later than Friday, April 26, 2019 by 5pm.



Project Archaeology Educator Workshops

Learn first-hand how to help your students practice the basics of inquiry-based learning through crosscurricular lessons that teach archaeology and cultural understanding.

The Classic



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Palmetto Sportsmen's Classic, March 22 - 24, 2019

Come visit our archaeology exhibit, talk with the SCDNR archaeology team, watch primitive skills demonstrations, and learn how to write with a quill and ink.



Parker Annex Archaeology Center

In 2017, Parker Annex became the headquarters for SCDNR's Cultural Heritage Trust team, but the building and ground below have over a century of history.



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About the Heritage Trust Program

Established as the first of its kind in the nation in 1974, the Heritage Trust Program started a trend of similar programs across the Western Hemisphere.

The Program's defined purpose was to inventory, evaluate, and protect the natural features and cultural remains considered to be the most outstanding representatives of South Carolina's heritage.

The Heritage Trust Act 51-17, SC Code of Laws was passed in 1976, and the Program was moved to the South Carolina Wildlife and Marine Resources Department (SCWMRD), a predecessor of the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR).

Over the past 40 years, 75 properties covering 95,661 acres have been acquired by SCDNR or the state and dedicated as Heritage Preserves. Fifty-eight of these are natural area preserves and 17 are cultural area preserves. An additional 2,542 acres have been placed under a conservation easement with SCDNR and dedicated as Heritage Preserves. Once a property has been dedicated as a Heritage Preserve, it is permanently protected from development.

In 2017, SCDNR leased the Parker Annex building on Barnwell Street in downtown Columbia for its Cultural Heritage Trust Program. The building was renamed Parker Annex Archaeology Center to highlight the property's cultural history and future use. It is the first building the Program has acquired that has dedicated office, laboratory, curation and outreach space.

Questions about archaeology events and programs? Please visit the [Heritage Trust website](#), or contact archaeologist Meg Gaillard at GaillardM@dnr.sc.gov.