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State Board of Review to Hold Online Meeting July 24, 2020

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places will meet online Friday, July 24, 2020. The Board will consider the following nine nominations:

- Means-Gage House, Beaufort, Beaufort County
- Host of America Motel, North Charleston, Charleston County
- Marine Barracks, Charleston Navy Yard, North Charleston, Charleston County
- Pee Dee River Rice Planters Historic District (Boundary Increase & Additional Documentation), Pawleys Island vicinity, Georgetown County
- Sandy Island School, Sandy Island, Georgetown County
- Ruth's Beauty Parlor, Columbia, Richland County
- Stone Manufacturing Company, Columbia, Richland County
- Veterans Administration Regional Office, Columbia, Richland County
- Epps-McGill Farmhouse, Kingstree vicinity, Williamsburg County

Visit https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/national-register/state-review-board for more information about the meeting. Questions? Contact Virginia Harness at vharness@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6182.

Grant Funding Available for Historic Properties Damaged by Hurricane Florence

South Carolina has been awarded a Hurricanes Florence, Yutu, and Michael Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund grant from the National Park Service (NPS). This emergency grant will assist with the repair of damage to historic properties (listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places) caused by Hurricane Florence (September 2018) by reimbursing documented costs of approved repairs and related efforts. Eligible projects also include city or county-wide surveys to identify and record historic buildings that were damaged by Hurricane Florence, rescue of archaeological resources directly effected by Hurricane Florence, and the preparation of disaster management plans by local governments. Projects must be in counties designated for Public Assistance by FEMA (Berkeley, Calhoun, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Lancaster, Marion, Marlboro, and Williamsburg). The application and instructions are available at https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/hurricane-grants. The application deadline is July 30, 2020.

2020 SC Historic Preservation Conference Cancelled

Originally scheduled for April 17, 2020 and then postponed until September 25, 2020, we have now made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 Historic Preservation Conference given the continuing uncertainty that surrounds the course of the COVID-19 pandemic. We appreciate the interest of our planned speakers, sponsors, and those who were planning to attend. It is our hope that we will be able to gather again in person soon. For those who are interested in learning more about historic preservation and history, please check out the online resources listed below in the Conferences/Workshops/Events section. Many organizations are now offering a wide range of history and preservation content online.

Historical Marker Price Increase Effective July 1, 2020

Sewah Studios, the company that manufactures state historical markers, recently announced a price increase that was effective July 1, 2020. The updated price list is available at this <u>link</u>.

SHPO Programs Continue to Accept Online Submissions

All SHPO programs continue to accept emailed project submissions, with the exception of the federal historic tax credit program, which still requires only hard copy submittals. More information about sending projects to the SHPO is available on each program's webpage, linked below:

Historical Markers
State Tax Credit for Homeowners
National Register of Historic Places
Review and Compliance

SCDAH Research Room to Reopen

The Research Room at the South Carolina Department of Archives and History will re-open on Wednesday, July 15, 2020. On that day, we will resume our regular Research Room hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. <u>Before visiting please read the COVID-19 safety guidelines for visitors to our building.</u> If you have any questions about our re-opening, please call our Research Room desk at 803-896-6104 or 803-896-6105.

Tax Credit Spotlight



Constructed c. 1915, this two-story masonry house in the Charleston Historic District features one-over-one wood windows, overhanging eaves supported by Italianate brackets, and a two-story bay window on the front façade. The exterior masonry was beginning to crack and separate above the front porch. The current owners completed a rehabilitation project that included careful removal of the historic brick veneer where failure was evident in order to complete necessary structural repairs. Following the structural repairs, the historic bricks were re-installed with a lime-based mortar to match the pre-rehabilitation appearance. The project also included repairs to the roof and porch elements, exterior painting, and upgrades to the laundry room and bathroom. The rehabilitation of this 20th-century home completed in 2020 with the use of the state homeowner historic rehabilitation tax credits.

Archives & History Launches New Online Exhibit

Check out the newest Archives & History exhibit "1670: The Founding of the English Colony of Carolina" online at https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/c564a8f5347141639b82a1cdc17e5e5c. Created for the 350th anniversary of English colonists' arrival in what would become South Carolina, this exhibit highlights some of the oldest records from the earliest days of the colony.

SC African American Heritage Commission Launches "Black Carolinians Speak"

The SC African American Heritage Commission has launched <u>Black Carolinians Speak: Portraits of a Pandemic</u>, an oral history initiative that seeks to capture the African American experience in South Carolina during the COVID-19 public health crisis. The goal of this initiative is to gather first person testimonies, letters, music, images, art and other documents that capture the experiences of African Americans in South Carolina during the global pandemic of 2020. For more information, and to submit materials to the project visit https://greenbookofsc.com/speak/.

Three South Carolina HBCUs Receive Preservation Grants

The National Park Service <u>recently announced</u> the recipients of preservation grants for Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCUs). Grants support the physical preservation of National Register listed sites on HBCU campuses. Projects funded include Pratt Hall Preservation Project at Benedict College, the Forensic Analysis/Assessment of Wilkinson Hall Project at South Carolina State University, and Trustee Hall Preservation and Restoration Initiative at Claflin University.

National Council on Public History Funding Opportunity

The National Council on Public History (NCPH) is seeking to fund proposals for virtual public history projects and programs. Send the NCPH ideas for a virtual professional development project or community-building event to support public historians. If selected NCPH will fund it and provide some resources to assist. For more information visit https://ncph.org/conference/other-programs/virtual-programs/. While deadlines vary, proposals for professional development programs and projects (eligible for the highest level of funding) are due August 1, 2020.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

Many organizations are now offering virtual workshops, seminars, tours, and training in lieu of in-person events.

South Carolina Humanities is providing information about virtual programming at https://schumanities.org/pressroom/pressreleases/. For example, scroll through recent entries featuring the upcoming DigiBridge Lecture Series at Georgetown County Library, the Facebook Live series featuring the Slave

Dwelling project at Rose Hill Plantation State Historic Site, and virtual summer programs offered by Historic Brattonsville and the Museum of York County.

The **Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission** is offering virtual programs this summer, for more information visit https://gullahgeecheecorridor.org/watch-night/.

SC Department of Natural Resources will offer Virtual Archaeology Programs starting in August.

- Register for one of the 32 available Archaeology for Kids, Teens and Adults virtual programs taking place from Monday, August 3 through Friday, November 13, 2020. Programs include virtual step-by-step guidance through one of the many Archaeology for Kids or Archaeology for Teens hands-on activities, film screenings and virtual discussions of their <u>available documentary films</u>, and more. For additional information or to request a virtual program, please email SCDNR Heritage Trust historian Alyssa Jones (JonesA@dnr.sc.gov).
- SCDNR is also offering the Fall 2020 virtual Project Archaeology <u>Investigating Shelter</u> workshop. A total of 20 full-scholarship seats will be available for this workshop. Applications are due Friday, August 28, 2020 by 5 p.m. Workshop applications are available <u>here</u>. This five-week, self-paced virtual workshop will start on Monday, September 28 and end on Friday, October 30, 2020. If you have questions about the workshop, please contact SCDNR archaeologist Meg Gaillard (Gaillard M@dnr.sc.gov).

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) is now offering digital classroom versions of their Section 106 training courses:

- Section 106 Essentials will be offered in two four-hour sessions on consecutive days: August 18-19; September 15-16, October 13-14, November 10-11, and December 8-9, 2020. The sessions will occur from 12:30 4:30 pm Eastern time on each day. The registration fee is \$350.
- Section 106 Agreements Seminar will be offered as a four-hour session on: August 20, September 17,
 October 15, November 12, and December 10, 2020. The session will occur 12:30 4:30 pm Eastern
 time. The registration fee is \$300.

To learn more and register, go to www.achp.gov/training/classroom. Be sure to register soon, as each class is limited to 30 participants. Email training@achp.gov with any questions.

FORUM 2020: Preservation Coast to Coast — At Home, August 3-9, 2020, online. Offered by the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions, this event will feature educational sessions, opening and closing plenary events, awards presentations, and virtual tours. All sessions and some virtual tours will be certified for AIA and AICP continuing education credit. Registration will be \$100 and is now open. For more information visit http://napcommissions.org/forum/.

American Association of State and Local History Annual Meeting, online. The Annual Meeting will be held online, with conference registration expected to open on or around August 1. More information is available at https://aaslh.org/2020annualmeeting/.

Preservation NC 2020 Annual Conference, October 14-16, 2020, online. Visit their website at https://www.presnc.org/events/event/preservation-nc-2020-annual-conference/ for more information.

PastForward 2020 National Preservation Conference, October 28-30, 2020, online. For more information visit https://savingplaces.org/conference#.Xj3duGhKiF4.

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NEW August 12, 2020 Humanities Council SC Major Grants. Major Grants (\$2,000 - \$10,000) support public programs designed to be accessible by a broad audience, to serve citizens in urban, rural, and small-town settings, and to make possible humanities programs that illuminate and enrich the lives of both audiences and scholars. Drafts are strongly encouraged and will be accepted any time prior to the deadline. For more information see http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply or contact tjwallace@schumanities.org.

Online sources of grant information:

National Park Service State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division

National Trust for Historic Preservation Special Grant Funds

Preservation Directory Grants & Funding Resources

State Library Grants Research Assistance

SC Grantmakers Network

Federal grants Grants.gov

Foundation Center Foundation Directory Online

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The South Carolina Department of Archives and History is an independent state agency whose mission is to preserve and promote the documentary and cultural heritage of the Palmetto State. The department houses one of the most comprehensive state archival collections in the nation, spanning more than 325 years of South Carolina history. The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), a program of the SCDAH, encourages and facilitates the responsible stewardship of South Carolina's irreplaceable historic and prehistoric places.

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