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New Travel Guide to SC African American Cultural Sites

Check out [The Green Book of South Carolina](#), the first mobile travel guide to African American cultural sites across South Carolina. Created by the SC African American Heritage Commission, it provides a user-friendly guide to cultural experiences across the state, and includes tourism sites and attractions from every county. The guide showcases more than 300 attractions and sites, allowing travelers to plan customized itineraries by quickly searching through categories such as historic districts, historical markers, churches, and more to find the attractions. With an interface similar to that of a tourism app, this free mobile-first, web-based guide features detailed listings with descriptions, images, categories and map points, designed with the mobile smartphone or tablet user in mind. See also

<http://www.thestate.com/entertainment/local-events/article147170499.html>.

May is Preservation Month

The theme for Preservation Month is “This Place Matters”. [Click here](#) for more information, including how to share photographs of places that matter through social media, a toolkit and signage, and merchandise, and [here](#) for information about scheduling site visits with elected officials to preservation projects.

Save the Date: Historic Preservation Awards Ceremony June 16, 2017

The statewide Historic Preservation Awards will be presented Friday, June 16, 2017 at 2:00 PM in the lower level of the State House in Columbia. The public is invited to attend. The Preservation Awards are sponsored by the South Carolina Archives and History Foundation, the South Carolina Department of Archives and History, the Office of the Governor, and the Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation. More information about the Preservation Awards is available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/awards.aspx>.

2017 South Carolina Hall of Fame Inductees

On May 5, 2017, the SC Hall of Fame added two new members during a ceremony at Winthrop University. **Stanley Donen**, an American film director and choreographer, was honored as the 2017 contemporary inductee. Born in Columbia in 1924, his most famous work is *Singin' In The Rain* (1952) which he co-directed with Gene Kelly. Mr. Donen was nominated for five Directors Guild of America Awards, and in 1998 received an honorary Academy Award "in appreciation of a body of work marked by grace, elegance, wit, and visual innovation." **David Bancroft Johnson**, founder and first president of Winthrop University (1886-1928), was honored as the posthumous inductee. Johnson is recognized today as one of South Carolina's great educators. For more information see <http://www.theofficialschalloffame.com/>.

Fort Jackson Programmatic Agreement

Per the Programmatic Agreement between the U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Jackson, SC and the South Carolina State Historic Preservation Office for the Management of Historic Properties, a public comment period is open through May 2017 for the Calendar Year 2016 Summary prepared by Fort Jackson. Here is a link to the summary: <http://jackson.armylive.dodlive.mil/files/2015/12/PA-Summary-2016.pdf>

Send comments to: Chan Funk, RPA, Senior Archaeologist, Stell Environmental, Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division, 2562 Essayons Way, Fort Jackson, SC 29207-5608. He can also be reached by phone at (803) 751-7153 or email at paul.s.funk.ctr@mail.mil.

FY2017 Federal Historic Preservation Funding

As reported by Preservation Action, the FY17 Omnibus spending bill recently approved by the House and Senate and signed by President Trump included positive funding news for preservation. The bill included appropriations for the Save America's Treasures program, which supports the preservation of nationally significant sites, structures and artifacts, increased the civil rights competitive grants program, which supports sites associated with the Civil Rights Movement, and funding for the

Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) preservation program. Specific amounts are below:

- State Historic Preservation Offices: \$47.925 million
- Tribal Historic Preservation Offices: \$10.485 million
- Civil Rights Movement Grants: \$13 million
- Underrepresented Communities Grants: \$500,000
- Save America's Treasures: \$5 million
- HBCU Preservation Program: \$4 million

The bill also included level funding of \$19.8 million for the Heritage Partnership Program for National Heritage Areas, and \$10 million for the American Battlefield Protection Program.

Preservation Brief 49: Historic Decorative Metal Ceilings and Walls

Check out the new *Preservation Brief #49: Historic Decorative Metal Ceilings and Walls: Use, Repair, and Replacement*. Prepared by Technical Preservation Services at the National Park Service, the Brief discusses the history and manufacturing of decorative metals for ceiling and wall applications, provides information on paint removal, maintenance, and repair, and includes guidance on replacement. It is available on the NPS [website](#).

10 Energy Saving Tips for Warm Weather

The SC Energy Office offers these tips for saving energy and staying cool as summer approaches. Visit <http://www.energy.sc.gov/newsletters/ec?st=2826>.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

NEW Historic Wood Siding Repair and Painting Workshop, May 20, 2017, Columbia. Want to learn how to repair old wood siding, remove paint, and install and paint siding? Join the City of Columbia's Planning and Parks and Recreation staff from 9am to 12pm on Saturday, May 20, 2017 at the Little Red Schoolhouse (312 Laurel Street) at Riverfront Park South. Entrance is at Laurel and Huger Streets. Please wear closed toe shoes. The workshop is free to the public but reservations are required to attend. Please send questions and RSVPs to RLWalling@columbiasc.net.

Preservation Leadership Training Offered by National Trust Forum

* [National Preservation Law Conference \(June 13, Washington, DC\)](#)

* [Preserving History, Building Community by Reimagining the A.G. Gaston Motel \(June 25-30, Birmingham, AL\)](#)

Vernacular Architecture Forum 2017 Annual Meeting, May 31-June 3, 2017, Salt Lake City, UT. For more information, visit 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.

NEW Annual Historic Tax Credit Summit, June 15-16, 2017, Washington, DC. Join investors, developers, and practitioners in the historic tax credit industry for cutting-edge guidance, networking and open discussions with industry leaders. **For more information and to register, click [here](#).**

NEW 10th Anniversary Construction History Society of America Conference, July 20-22, 2017, Seattle, WA. The conference features keynote speakers, plenary sessions, and panel discussions on the theme “Construction History on the Frontier”. The conference also includes in-depth tours of the Seattle World’s Fair site, the Boeing Aircraft Plant, Pioneer Square and other downtown sites. For more information, visit <http://www.constructionhistorysociety.org/2017-meeting/>. **Early registration ends May 31, 2017.**

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

Preservation North Carolina’s Annual Conference, September 27-29, 2017, Charlotte, NC. Conference information will be posted at <http://www.presnc.org/experience/annual-conference/>.

NEW Historic Tax Credit Conference, September 28-29, 2017, Denver, CO. More information will be posted [here](#).

NEW SC Humanities Festival, October 5-8, 2017, Gaffney. For more information, visit <http://schumanities.org/annualevents/humanitiesfestival/>.

Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference, October 11-14, 2017, Lynchburg, VA. More information is available at <http://sesah.org/2017-annual-conference-in-lynchburg-va/>.

NEW CAPITALizing on HERITAGE, October 11-14, 2017, Ottawa, Canada. The joint conference of the Association for Preservation Technology (APT) and National Trust for Canada is expected to be the largest ever gathering of conservation practitioners and advocates in Canada. For more information, visit <http://www.heritageconference2017.com/>.

NEW 4th Annual Slave Dwelling Conference, October 18-21, 2017, Charlottesville, VA. More information will be posted at <http://slavedwellingproject.org/2017-slave-dwelling-project-conference/>.

Keeping History Above Water, October 29-November 1, 2017, Annapolis, MD. Please visit <http://www.historyabovewater.org/2017-conference/> for more information.

2017 PastForward Conference, November 14-17, 2017, Chicago, IL. Sponsored by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the conference themes are ReUrbanism, Technology, and Health. Check back [here](#) for updates. Registration will open in July 2017.

NEW Historic Property Management: Materials to Systems, December 6-8, 2017, Columbia. Offered by the National Preservation Institute in cooperation with the SC SHPO, this workshop combines preservation maintenance with modern systems management. More information is available at <https://www.npi.org/sem-hpm.html>.

Grant Application Deadlines

June 1, 2017 National Trust Preservation Funds: Grants from the National Trust Preservation Funds are intended to encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects. These grants help stimulate public discussion, enable local groups to gain the technical expertise needed for particular projects, introduce the public to preservation concepts and techniques, and encourage financial participation by the private sector. For more information about the grants and the application process [click here](#).

NEW August 16, 2017 Humanities Council^{SC} Major Grants. Major Grants (\$2000 - \$8000) 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 the office at tjwallace@schumanities.org.

NEW Hometown Economic Development Grants. This Municipal Association of South Carolina program awards grants to implement economic development projects that will make a positive impact on the quality of life in communities. The 2016 grant program provided eight cities with grants of \$25,000. The [May 2017 MASC publication Uptown](#), notes 2017 grant applications will be accepted online beginning July 20. For more information and to learn about the 2016 grants go to <http://www.masc.sc/Pages/resources/Hometown-Grants.aspx>.

Online sources of grant information:

[National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) Finding Preservation Funding
[Preservation Directory](#) Grants & Funding Resources
[State Library](#) Grants Research Assistance

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