

HISTORIC PRESERVATION NEWS AND NOTES from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)
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[Job Opening at the South Carolina SHPO](#)

The SC SHPO is currently accepting applications for the [Review Coordinator for Transportation Projects](#). The position primarily works to review SC Department of Transportation projects for impacts to historic properties, and also provides important support for the state's cultural resources GIS system, SC ArchSite. Click on the link above to go to the posting, or visit <https://agency.governmentjobs.com/sc/default.cfm> and search by Agency for the Department of Archives & History.

[State Review Board Meeting: July 27, 2018](#)

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places will meet on Friday, July 27, 2018 at 10:30 am at the SC Archives & History Center in Columbia. The Board will consider the following nominations:

- Columbia Historic District II (Boundary Increase), Columbia, Richland County
- Emanuel A.M.E. Church, Charleston, Charleston County
- St. George Rosenwald School, St. George, Dorchester County
- Griffin Motors Building, Florence, Florence County
- Jamestown Historic District, Florence vicinity, Florence County
- Booker T. Washington High School Auditorium, Columbia, Richland County
- Olympia Mill Village Historic District, Columbia vicinity, Richland County

The public is welcome to attend the meeting. For more information about the State Board of Review, visit <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/natreg/Pages/Board.aspx> or contact

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Tax Credit Spotlight

This month's spotlight is the First National Bank of Clinton, constructed ca. 1910, within the Clinton Commercial Historic District. The two-story brick commercial building features a unique combination of brick ornamentation, limestone accents, and pressed tin ornamentation on the cornice and the belt course. It is the only surviving high style, purpose built bank building that remains from Clinton's early twentieth century commercial development. In the 1950's, the corner entry store front windows and clerestory windows were removed and replaced with a stucco façade and smaller display windows. The current owners repaired the historic storefront along Broad Street, and returned the altered corner entry façade back to the original 1910 appearance, the pressed tin cornice and window sill ornamentation was cleaned and repaired, and interior features like the hardwood floors, bead board ceilings, and skylights were restored. The rehabilitation of the First National Bank of Clinton was completed in 2018 with the use of the federal and state income-producing tax credits with a private investment cost of approximately \$1 million.



New Listings in the National Register of Historic Places

Colonial-Hites Company, 228 North Parson St., West Columbia was listed in the National Register May 24, 2018. The Colonial-Hites Company complex was once a thriving and prosperous manufacturing facility for signage. The company started with the merger of two small local businesses in a brick corner building. The building expanded with multiple additions between 1951 and 1968 as the company became an international conglomerate, becoming one of the largest manufacturing plants in the country. Within seven years of merging, signs produced in the West Columbia plant were installed in every state in the southeastern United States. Over the next decade, Colonial-Hites expanded to become a national company, opening sales offices across the United States including cities such as New York, Chicago, Washington, D.C., and St. Louis. In 1962 the company won a bid for the Ethiopian Adis Abbaba Airport, and established international offices in 1966. The company is responsible for the United States Seal inside the United Nations building in New York City, as well as the signage for the Houston Astro Dome, Disney World, and Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson Airport. The property was listed in the National Register for its significance to the industrial development of West Columbia. It is a rare example of a large scale industrial property in a city center and encompasses multiple building methods and materials. Even after sitting vacant for decades, the building continues to represent the evolution Colonial-Hites from a small, local company into an international success and still retains a number of original features such as windows, doors, and signage.

A boundary increase for the **Anderson Downtown Historic District** was approved May 24, 2018 that expands the district boundaries to include the four commercial buildings on the west side of the 400 block of S. Main Street and the freight depot at 109 W. Market Street. The buildings contribute to the historical significance of the historic district for their associations with Anderson's commercial development and as examples of early 20th century commercial architecture. At the start of the 20th century, the 400 block of S. Main was populated by African American businesses. The Jenkins family continually operated one or more businesses on the block from at least 1905 to 1922. The family's business ventures appear to have started with Jenkins Brothers (later Jenkins & Watson), a grocery store operated by brothers Newton A. Jenkins and Moses F. Jenkins, and their brother-in-law Michael J. Watson. Other African American businesses in the northern end of the block between 1905 and 1909 included a barber shop, a doctor's office for N.A. Jenkins, Acme Pressing Club, and Jenkins Hall, among others.

The **Olympia Mill School**, 1170 Olympia Ave., Columbia was listed in the National Register May 29, 2018. The Olympia Mill School is locally significant under Criterion A in the areas of Social History and Education, with a period of significance dating from 1901 to 1909, its tenure as a school. It is significant as the first school established by the Olympia Mill during a rapid period of industrialization in and around the state capital, Columbia. The Olympia Mill School maintains a high degree of historic integrity on the exterior. It is a two-story frame, residential building with a rectangular plan, a lateral

gable saltbox roof, and a hip roof front porch, all features that are original to its construction in 1901. Its exterior appearance belies its early history as a school building as it appears identical to other mill housing in the Olympia Village. Enrollment at the Olympia School quickly expanded to the point where the small house became inadequate. A purpose-built school was constructed on a large lot southeast of the original school and it replaced this building in the fall of 1910, after which time the original Olympia School became housing for mill operatives.

[New Publication from the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions](#)

The National Alliance of Preservation Commissions recently released a new publication “Design Review With Limited Resources: How Local Commissions Can Gain the Resources of Professional Preservationists Without Hiring Full-time Staff”. This short publication is for preservation commissions without any staff or limited staff, and also for local government staff and elected officials, and preservationists who may serve as consultants to commissions. It is available as a free pdf at the [NAPC website](#). The SHPO also has a limited number of hard copies, to request contact Brad Sauls at bsauls@scdah.sc.gov.

[Architectural Digest List of Iconic Buildings](#)

Check out Architectural Digest’s online list, “[The Most Iconic Building in Every State in America](#)”. Many of the buildings showcased in the list are historic, including South Carolina’s entry, Drayton Hall near Charleston.

[Conferences / Workshops / Events](#)

National Preservation Institute Seminars, Fall 2018, Southeast locations. The full schedule with links to course descriptions can be accessed [here](#).

- HSRs and Maintenance Plans: Tools for Preservation, September 25, 2018, Mount Vernon, VA
- Historic Property Management, September 26-28, 2018, Mount Vernon, VA
- Historic Windows: Managing for Preservation, Maintenance, and Energy Conservation, October 2-3, 2018, Atlanta, GA
- The Recent Past: Strategies for Evaluation, October 4-5, 2018, Atlanta, GA
- The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards: Treatment Evaluations, December 5-6, 2018, Columbia, SC

FORUM 2018: A Preservation Caucus, July 18-22, 2018, Des Moines, IA. The only national conference focused on the issues facing local historic preservation boards and commissions, FORUM 2018 will include dozens of educational sessions and discussion panels, mobile workshops and tours, and five days of non-stop networking for commission staff and volunteers representing local, state and national organizations

and government agencies. Go to <https://napcommissions.org/forum/> for more information.

State Board of Review Meeting for the National Register of Historic Places, July 27, 2018, Columbia, SC. See <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/natreg/Pages/Board.aspx>.

NEW Georgia's Statewide Preservation Conference, September 12-14, 2018, Macon, GA. The Georgia Historic Preservation Division (HPD), the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation, and the Georgia Alliance of Preservation Commissions are currently accepting proposals for speaker sessions and speaker nominations for the 2018 Statewide Historic Preservation Conference. Click [here](#) for more information.

Association of Preservation Technology (APT) Annual Conference, September 22-27, 2018, Buffalo, NY. For more information visit <http://www.apti.org/>.

American Association of State and Local History Annual Conference, September 26-29, 2018, Kansas City, MO. Details will be available at <http://about.aaslh.org/conference/>.

NEW International Society for Landscape, Place and Material Culture Annual Conference, September 26-29, 2018, New Orleans, LA. For more information visit <http://www.pioneeramerica.org/annualmeeting2018.html>.

NEW 2018 Historic Tax Credit Conference, September 27-28, 2018, Nashville, TN. For more information visit the Novogradac conference [website](#).

SE Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians (SESAH) Annual Conference, October 3-6, 2018, Manhattan, KS. More information is available at <http://sesah.org/category/2018/>.

NEW Preservation North Carolina's Annual Conference, October 17-19, 2018, Wrightsville Beach/Wilmington. The conference theme is "Preservation + Innovation." Visit <https://www.presnc.org/experience/annual-conference/> for more information and to register.

Urban History Association Conference, "Cities at the Crossroads", October 18-21, 2018, Columbia. For more information visit www.urbanhistory.org/Columbia2018.

Slave Dwelling Conference, October 24-28, 2018, at Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN. Information and registration available at <http://slavedwellingproject.org/2018-schedule/>.

PastForward National Preservation Conference, November 13-16, 2018, San Francisco, CA. For more information and to sign up for updates visit <https://www.pastforwardconference.org/pastforward2018/>.

NEW Preserving the Recent Past 3 Conference, March 13-16, 2019, Los Angeles, CA. The National Park Service, the Historic Preservation Education Foundation, and the University of Southern California School of Architecture will host a three-day conference focused on identifying and preserving post-World War II historic resources. For more information, visit www.prp3.org, where you can sign-up for conference updates, or email info@prp3.org.

Grant Application Deadlines

August 15, 2018 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.

Online sources of grant information:

[A Guide to Historic Preservation, Arts & Cultural Institutions, & Tourism Funding Opportunities and Incentives How to Navigate the Funding Process](#)
[Preservation Directory Grants & Funding Resources](#)
[State Library Grants Research Assistance](#)
[SC Grantmakers Network](#)
[Federal grants Grants.gov](#)
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