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State Historic Preservation Awards Ceremony: July 30, 2026

The 2026 Historic Preservation Awards will be presented by Governor Henry D. McMaster on July 30, 2026 at 3:30 PM in the lobby of the South Carolina State House. The awards program recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the preservation, rehabilitation, and interpretation of South Carolina's architectural and cultural heritage. The program is sponsored by the SC Department of Archives & History, Office of the Governor, and Preservation South Carolina. A reception will follow after the ceremony. Both the ceremony and reception are open to the public. For more information about the event please visit Preservation South Carolina's [awards webpage](#) or contact Joanna Rothell with Preservation South Carolina at 803-729-7782 or joanna@preservesc.org.

State Grant Fund Application Opens Soon

The Historic Preservation State Grant Fund is to support historic preservation projects that benefit local communities and the public through the physical repair and rehabilitation of South Carolina's historic buildings with **Planning Grants** and **Stabilization Grants**. We anticipate announcing the 2026-2027 grant cycle application in early July 2026. Periodically check the [State Grant Fund website](#) for updates. Below is an example of the recent roof replacement project assisted by the State Grant Fund at the historic Chesterfield County Courthouse in Chesterfield.



Preserving Historic Cemeteries Workshop

Join the SC Archives and History Foundation for the **5th Annual Preserving Historic Cemeteries Workshop** at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia on Wednesday, September 9, 2026. This workshop is an introduction to ideas and plans to help you successfully preserve cemeteries important to you and your community. The Early-bird registration fee is \$50. The schedule and registration will be available in early July on the Foundation's [Events webpage](#).

State Board of Review to Meet July 24, 2026

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places will meet Friday, July 24, 2026 at 10:30 AM at the SC Archives & History Center in Columbia. The Board will consider the following six nominations:

- Cobia-Moultrie House, Charleston, Charleston County
- Philip Simmons House and Workshop and Rosetta Simmons Residence, Charleston, Charleston County
- Sol Legare School, James Island, Charleston County
- McClellanville U.S. Biological Survey Station, McClellanville, Charleston County
- Scanlonville Cemetery, Mount Pleasant, Charleston County
- Columbia Country Club, Blythewood vicinity, Richland County

The public is welcome to attend the meeting. Draft nominations will be available at [this link](#) two weeks prior to the meeting. Questions? Contact Virginia Harness at vharness@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6179 or Edwin Breeden at ebreeden@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6182.

Recent Listings in the National Register of Historic Places

The following properties have recently been listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Click on the property name to access the entry in the [South Carolina Historic Properties Record](#), which includes a brief summary, photographs, and link to the full nomination form.

[St. Paul Baptist Church, Anderson](#)
[St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Charleston](#)
[Angel Oak, Johns Island, Charleston County](#)
[Chicora Graded School, North Charleston](#)
[River Road, Johns Island, Charleston County](#)
[Fairfield County Memorial Hospital, Winnsboro](#)

America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places

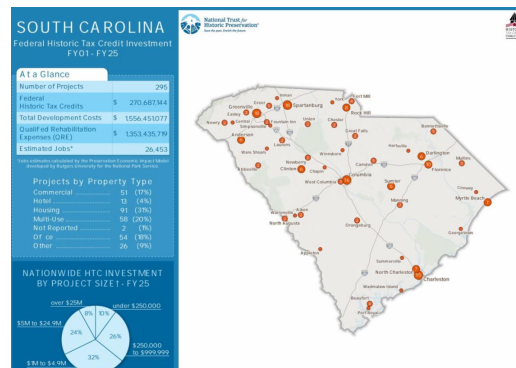


A site in South Carolina, the Hanging Rock Revolutionary War Battlefield near Heath Springs, is included in the this year's list of [America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places](#), recently announced by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The 11 Most Endangered program helps community-led preservation work by increasing visibility and focusing public attention on challenges faced by historic places. To learn more about the properties included on this year's list visit [this link](#).

Map of Federal Historic Tax Credit Projects

The National Trust for Historic Preservation recently updated maps, economic data, and project lists highlighting [Federal Historic Tax Credit](#) project activity that received Part 3 certifications from the National Park Service (NPS) for the federal fiscal years 2001-2025.

[Browse information by state/territory.](#)



National Preservation Institute Seminars and Webinars. For more information about both in-person and online training opportunities in 2026 visit the [NPI website](#).

"Shared Heritage, Shared Future: Preservation, Stewardship, and the Next Generation," July 8–10, 2026, Philadelphia, PA. The ICOMOS-USA 2026 Symposium will bring together practitioners in preservation, policy, and cultural heritage to explore how heritage is defined, interpreted, and protected. For more information visit [this link](#).

State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places, July 24, 2026, SC Archives & History Center, Columbia. The board will meet to consider nominations to the National Register of Historic Places. Draft nominations will be posted two weeks prior to the meeting at [this link](#).

FORUM 2026: Preservation Currents, July 22–26, 2026, Minneapolis, MN. FORUM is sponsored by the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions and is the only national conference focused on local historic preservation district boards and commissions. Visit the [conference webpage](#) for more information.

National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers 26th Annual Conference and Sacred Places Summit, August 24–26, 2026, Albuquerque, NM. This year's theme is "Living Cultures, Living Landscapes." Visit the [conference webpage](#) for more information.

Historic Cemetery Workshop, September 9, 2026, SC Archives & History Center, Columbia. Save the date for the Historic Cemetery Workshop sponsored by the SC Archives & History Foundation. The agenda and registration information will be posted on the Foundation's [Events webpage](#) and announced in this newsletter.

Joint Conference of the American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) and National Council on Public History (NCPH), September 16–19, 2026, Providence, RI. For the first time these two organizations are coming together for a joint conference with sessions, workshops, tours, and discussions focused on the theme "The Work of Revolution." More information is available on the [conference webpage](#).

NEW National Preservation Summit, September 22–24, 2026, Washington, DC. This event will bring together leaders from the preservation community - in person and online - alongside national, civic, business, and community figures from across the nation to help chart a course for preservation's future. For more information visit the [event webpage](#).

NEW Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference, September 30–October 3, 2026, Savannah, GA. The annual conference features tours, paper sessions, a keynote address, and networking opportunities. Visit the [2026 conference link](#) for more information.

9th Annual Slave Dwelling Project Conference, October 1–3, 2026, North Charleston. The conference theme is "250 Years and Counting: Reckoning, Resilience, and Remembrance." For more information visit [this link](#).

NEW National Preservation Law Conference, October 19, 2026, Washington DC. For more information visit the [event website](#).

Keeping History Above Water Symposium, October 21–23, 2026, Newport, RI. This year's theme is "Looking Back, Moving Forward." [Click here](#) for more information.

Preservation North Carolina's Annual Conference, October 25–27, 2026, High Point, NC. Visit [this link](#) for more information.

Georgia's Statewide Historic Preservation Conference, November 4–6, 2026, Decatur, GA. Visit the [conference webpage](#) for more information.

Association for Preservation Technology (APT) Annual Conference, October 26–30, 2026, Indianapolis, IN. The conference theme is "The Crossroads of Preservation: Where Industry and Craft Come Together." For more information visit the [conference webpage](#).

NEW 8th Annual American Revolution Symposium: State of Rebellion, November 14, 2026, Columbia. This day-long program will feature informative and entertaining speakers on the American Revolution in South Carolina. Registration will open July 3 and Early-bird registration is \$60. The symposium schedule and registration will be available at <https://scarchivesandhistoryfoundation.org/category/news-events/>.

Upcoming Grant Application Deadlines

NEW June 30, 2026 Semiquincentennial HPF Grants (P25AS00503). The National Park Service is accepting applications for the FY 2025 & FY 2026 Semiquincentennial Grants (up to \$750,000) that support the physical preservation of a broad variety of cultural resources (buildings, sites, structures, objects or historic districts listed in the National Register of Historic Places) associated with the founding of America. Additional information about eligible applicants and how to apply is available at [this link](#).

NEW July 7, 2026 Underrepresented Communities HPF Grants (P25AS00510). The National Park Service is accepting applications for the FY 2025 Underrepresented Communities Grants which are intended to expand listings in the National Register of Historic Places to include communities that are currently underrepresented. Projects can include surveys and nominations of historic sites. Please note every URC grant project must result in at least one new or amended National Register nomination. Additional information about eligible applicants and how to apply is available at [this link](#).

NEW July 14, 2026 African American Civil Rights - Preservation Grants (P25AS00495). The National Park Service is accepting applications for the FY 2025 African American Civil Rights Grant Program. Grants can fund a broad range of projects for historic sites including architectural services, historic structure reports, preservation plans and physical preservation for properties listing in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places associated with the African American struggle to gain equal rights. Additional information about eligible applicants and how to apply is at [this link](#).

NEW July 28, 2026 Historically Black Colleges and Universities HPF Grants (P25AS00500). The National Park Service is accepting applications for the FY 2025 HBCU Grants. The HBCU Preservation grant program was established to document, preserve and stabilize historic structures on HBCU campuses. Project work must follow the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation. Additional information about the application and how to apply is available at [this link](#).

Partners for Sacred Places Intervention Fund, is an emergency grant under the umbrella of the [National Fund for Sacred Places](#) that supports historic sacred places with building repair and recovery funds after an unanticipated emergency from extreme weather, property destruction, or urgent health and safety hazards. To learn more about the program and its grantees, please refer to the [Intervention Fund information flyer](#) or contact the Fund Director, Rachel Galton at rgalton@sacredplaces.org.

Online sources of grant information:

[Historicfunding database](#)

[National Park Service State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division](#)

[National Trust for Historic Preservation Grant Funds](#)

[State Library](#) Grants Research Assistance including online webinars

[SC Grantmakers Network](#)

[Federal grants](#) Grants.gov

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