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SC Historic Preservation Conference: April 25, 2025



The 2025 South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference will be held **Friday, April 25, 2025** at the SC Archives & History Center in Columbia. The conference features ten educational sessions, an optional tour of the archives, lunch, and networking opportunities. Information about the conference agenda and registration is available at [this link](#). **Register soon as space is limited**. Questions? Contact Donna Foster at 803-896-0339, dfoster@scdah.sc.gov.

FY25 Federal Historic Preservation Fund Grant Applications Due May 1, 2025

Applications and instructions for the FY 2025 federal Historic Preservation Fund subgrants are now available at [this link](#). Administered by the State Historic Preservation Office, these matching grants can assist two types of projects:

- **Survey and Planning Projects:** eligible projects include surveys of historic properties, National Register nominations, preservation education, and preservation planning.
- **Stabilization Projects:** eligible projects include stabilizing historic buildings or protecting historic buildings from the adverse effects of the weather. Stabilization Projects are limited to projects located in South Carolina's [Certified Local Government \(CLG\) communities](#).

Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Survey and Planning Project. Local governments, non-profits and institutions located in a CLG community may also apply for a Stabilization Project. At least ten percent of the state's annual allocation from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. Grant awards generally range from \$2,500 to \$35,000.

**Applications will be
accepted until 5:00
PM, May 1, 2025.**

Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or bsauls@scdah.sc.gov to discuss your project before you apply.

FY 2025 HPF Grant

State Board of Review Approves 7 Nominations to the National Register

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places met March 21, 2025 and approved the following nominations:

- Hebron Presbyterian Church, Johns Island, Charleston County
- St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Greenville, Greenville County
- Conway Downtown Historic District, Boundary Increase II and Additional Documentation, Conway, Horry County
- Marlboro County Training School, Bennettsville, Marlboro County
- Gallman High School, Newberry, Newberry County
- Middleburg Park Historic District, Columbia, Richland County
- Fort Mill Manufacturing Company Mill No. 2, Fort Mill, York County

Tax Credit Project Spotlight



This month's spotlight features a flour mill complex in the Upstate repurposed as a brewery and event space. The completed rehabilitation met the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. It included significant repairs to these abandoned buildings. Select panels of sheet metal siding and roofing, were replaced in-kind, structural masonry and timber repairs retained existing historic fabric and replaced those elements beyond repair, replacement windows matching the historic windows were installed, the site and interior were upfit in keeping with the property's historic industrial character, and MEP upgrades were sensitively undertaken.

The applicant, Bryan Beal, states, "I've now had the pleasure of working with



SHPO on a number of projects, and each time the process has been great. They make the process as clean and efficient as they can, given the detail that has to be considered into each of these developments. For our Ellison Flour Mill project, these credits were instrumental in our ability to not only make the deal work, but to maximize the value we were able to bring to these buildings and ultimately to the Fountain Inn community. I'd recommend this process to anyone looking to bring any historic building back to life."

For more information on historic rehabilitation tax credits for income-producing properties, please visit this [link](#).

African American Genealogy Workshop

The South Carolina Department of Archives and History is hosting an African American Genealogy Workshop on Saturday, May 17, 2025, 10:00 AM - Noon, at the SC Archives & History Center, located at 8301 Parklane Road in Columbia. The workshop will focus on pre and post emancipation government sources in the collections including census records, vital records, military records, state records, county records, and online sources. Join South Carolina Department of Archives & History Deputy Director for Archives and Records Management Patrick McCawley and Lahnice Hollister, author of "Unveiling Family Secrets: My Journey Through Archives and the Power of Historical Records" for a discussion highlighting resources and methods of genealogy research. Learn about the information available at the archives as they guide you through the process of accessing various records. The Research Room will be open with staff available to assist attendees.

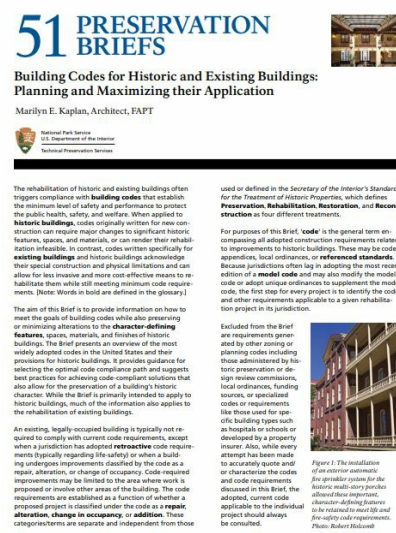
This event is free but pre-registration is required. Register on line at <https://form.jotform.com/250704236785965> or email DFoster@scdah.sc.gov or call Donna Foster at 803-896-0339.

Building Codes and Historic Buildings Webinar

The National Park Service will host a training

webinar on building codes and historic buildings for property owners, architects, developers, consultants, local landmark commissions, and the general public on two dates: **May 2 and May 21**, each at 2 pm ET. The training will focus on the recently issued [Preservation Brief 51: Building Codes for Historic and Existing Buildings: Planning and Maximizing their Application](#). Registration is free and open to the public using the links below.

May 2, 2025 webinar: [Link to register](#)
May 21, 2025 webinar: [Link to register](#)



Online Historic Windows Workshops



The National Alliance of Preservation Commissions is offering a two-part online webinar series in April on historic windows.

Part 1: Understanding Historic Windows: Evolution, Assessment & Repair **Thursday, April 17 at 1 PM EST**

Will explore the anatomy of historic windows, how to assess their condition, and when replacement is appropriate. Plus, gain strategies for engaging the public in hands-on window education and outreach.

Part 2: Managing Window Replacement: Lessons from Local Preservation Programs
Tuesday, April 29 at 1 PM EST
Learn how different communities approach window replacement through the design review process. This session will highlight best practices for evaluating replacement proposals and applying design guidelines effectively.

Note: Registration covers both sessions. It is free for NAPC members and \$25 for general public. Questions: 757-802-4141, email: director@napcommissions.org

**Window Workshop
Registration**

Upcoming Conferences/Workshops & Training/Events

SC Historical Marker Program Exhibit - "Know Your State and Make it Known: The South Carolina Historical Marker Program". The [exhibit is on display](#) at the SC Archives & History Center, 8301 Parklane Road in Columbia. It is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM, except on official state holidays.

May 2025: ACHP Section 106 Webinars. The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) is hosting a series of three 1-hour training webinars on Section 106 on May 8, 15, and 22, 2025. For information on course content and registration visit the [Spring Section 106 Webinar Series](#). The ACHP also offers eLearning courses, check out topics on the [eLearning course webpage](#).

South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference, April 25, 2025, Columbia. This annual conference features educational sessions on a wide range of historic preservation related topics. Information about the program and registration is on the SC Archives & History Foundation [events webpage](#). Register soon as space is limited.

Society of Architectural Historians 78th Annual Conference, April 30-May 4, 2025, Atlanta, GA. The conference features educational sessions, discussions, and architectural tours. Registration and travel information are available on the [conference webpage](#).

Vernacular Architecture Forum, May 14-17, 2025, Wilmington, DE. The theme of the 46th Annual Meeting is *From New Castle to Sussex: Big Stories from a Small State*. More information will be posted on the [2025 VAF conference webpage](#).

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NEW Training on the Secretary of the Interior Standards for Rehabilitation, June 10-11, 2025, Washington, DC. The National Park Service will hold a in -person training for frequent users of the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program who are familiar with the program requirements and Standards for Rehabilitation. Pre-registration is required to attend. To register, email Technical Preservation Services at NPS_TPS@nps.gov by **Thursday, May 22, 2025**, with your contact information (name, company, address, email address, and phone number) and whether you require any special accommodations. Questions may be directed to the same email address.

Association for Gravestone Studies Annual Conference, June 17-22, 2025, York, PA. **Registration closes May 10, 2025**. For more information visit the [conference webpage](#).

NEW Association of African American Museums Conference, July 23-25, 2025, Charleston. Conference details will posted on [this website](#).

National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers Annual Conference, September 8-12, 2025, Reno, NV. More information will be posted on the [NATHPO conference website](#).

American Association for State and Local History Conference, September 10-13, 2025, Cincinnati, OH. The theme of the 2025 annual conference is "The American Experiment". More information is on the [conference website](#).

2025 International Preservation Trades Workshop, September 11-13, 2025, St. Paul, MN. The 27th annual workshop will feature hands-on demonstrations from experts in the traditional building arts including carpentry, timber framing, stone and brick masonry,

plastering, and roofing. More information will be available on the [IPTW 2025 conference website](#).

PastForward 2025, September 16-18, 2025, Milwaukee, WI. Sponsored by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the conference will celebrate 75 years of the National Trust by exploring cutting-edge innovation, ground-breaking creativity, and experimentation in the dynamic field of preservation. Information will be available on the [conference website](#).

ASALH 110th Annual Conference, September 24-28, 2025, Atlanta, GA. Sponsored by the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, the conference will feature panels, workshops, roundtables, papers, posters and more. Information about the conference and proposals for conference sessions and posters, is on the [conference webpage](#).

Georgia Statewide Historic Preservation Conference, November 5-7, 2025, Athens, GA. The conference is hosted by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs Historic Preservation Division and the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation. Visit the [conference website](#) for more information.

APT Annual Conference, November 11-15, 2025, Providence, RI. The Association for Preservation Technology International conference includes workshops, field sessions, exhibits, awards, and educational sessions. For information visit the [conference website](#).

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Monthly, The SC American Revolution Sestercentennial Commission (SC250) is accepting applications for FY25 Monthly Grants (up to \$15,000). Information about specific grant programs and requirements can be found at <https://southcarolina250.com/sc250grants/> or email: info@southcarolina250.com.

Monthly, SC Humanities Council Mini Grants. SC Humanities awards Mini Grants to support public humanities programs of modest cost, with awards of \$5,000 or less. Applications are reviewed monthly, with deadlines on the first business day of the month. For more information, please visit the [mini grant webpage](#).

Monthly, SC Humanities Council Planning Grants. SC Humanities awards Planning Grants to support preliminary work in designing a project that warrants detailed planning because of its length, scope, or cost. Awards are \$5,000 or less. Planning Grants are reviewed monthly, with deadlines on the first business day of the month. For more information, please visit [this webpage](#).

Online sources of grant information:

[Historicfunding database](#)

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

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

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