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What to Expect When Researching at the Archives Video

Check out the new video on what to expect when researching at the Department of Archives and History. A link to the video is on the agency website at https://scdah.sc.gov.

Updated African American Historic Places in South Carolina Publication

The publication African American Historic Places in South Carolina has been updated to include new listings in the National Register of Historic Places and state historical markers that recognize places that have important associations with African American history. The 2021 edition includes over 600 entries for places recognized by these programs through June 2021.

Archaeologist Job Opening at the SHPO

The SC Department of Archives and History is currently accepting applications for the SHPO Staff Archaeologist position. Click here to access the $\underline{\text{Archaeologist II} - \text{SC SHPO Job Posting}}$ on the South Carolina state jobs

website https://careers.sc.gov/. The job posting includes information about the job duties, qualifications, and application process. Please share this information with those who may be interested in applying.

2022 Historic Preservation Conference: Registration Now Open

The statewide historic preservation conference will be held at the Archives & History Center in Columbia on Friday, April 22, 2022. The conference brochure and online registration are now available on the SC Archives & History Foundation's website at https://scarchivesandhistoryfoundation.org/category/news-events/ Questions? Contact Donna Foster at dfoster@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-0339 or Elizabeth Johnson at ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6168.

Historic Preservation Fund Grant Applications Available

Applications and instructions for the FY 2022 federal Historic Preservation Fund subgrants are available at https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/grants. Administered by the SHPO, 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, on Thursday, April 28, 2022. Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or bsauls@scdah.sc.gov to discuss your project before you apply.

2022 SC Historic Preservation Awards Nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2022 South Carolina Historic Preservation Awards. Sponsored by Preservation South Carolina, the SC Department of Archives and History, and the Office of the Governor, the Historic Preservation Awards recognize exceptional accomplishments in the preservation, rehabilitation, and interpretation of South Carolina's architectural and cultural heritage. The six award categories are: Honor Awards, Stewardship Awards, Preservation Service Awards, Heritage Tourism Award, Elected Official Honor Award, and Governor's Award. The 2022 nomination form and a list of all previous recipients are available at https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/resources/preservation-awards. Questions? Contact Amy Fluette, 803-944-9425 or info@preservesc.org. The submission deadline is March 25, 2022.

Tax Credit Spotlight

Located within the Colonel Elias Earle Historic District in Greenville, this month's spotlight is a two-story Colonial Revival residence built in 1920. Between 2016 and 2019, the current owners applied for the 25% State Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit. The SHPO approved proposed rehabilitation work which included rewiring the whole property, including the house, garage, and landscape lighting; replacing insulation in the attic; repairing the flat roofs of the house's wings; repairing roofs of the outbuildings; replacing in-kind eyebrow dormer windows and casings; and repairing plaster ceilings and walls. This rehabilitation balanced a project with a wide scope of work and met the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation*. In 2020, the SHPO certified the completed work, earning the current owners the state income tax credit equal to 25% of eligible rehabilitation expenses. For more information about the homeowner tax credit program visit https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/tax-incentives/homeowner.



Workers replacing in-kind a severely deteriorated dormer window. Image courtesy of the applicants.

New Listings in the National Register of Historic Places

The following properties were recently listed in the National Register. Click on the highlighted property name to access the description, nomination form, and photographs.

The <u>R.L. and Annie Sturgis House</u> in Rock Hill was listed in the National Register on January 13, 2022 for its local significance in Architecture as the first residential work of renowned architect Nat Gaillard Walker, representing his oldest known extant design. Constructed in 1910 in the Colonial Revival-style, the approximately 6,000-square foot, two-story, painted-brick-veneer house retains elements indicative of its style, such as its full-width porch supported by Composite columns, and symmetrical facade with a centered door that is accentuated by pilasters, transom, and sidelights. Walker was a prominent local architect, designing many Rock Hill businesses, public buildings, and homes during a time of extensive growth in the city in the first quarter of the 20th century. During this time, he also designed buildings throughout the state, including in Orangeburg and Sumter, before moving his practice to Florida in 1925 where he gained national recognition.

The Edgefield Cotton Mill – Addison Mill in Edgefield was listed in the National Register on January 13, 2022 at the local level of significance in Industry and Architecture. Successively owned by Edgefield Manufacturing Company, Beaver Dam Mills, Addison Mills of South Carolina, and the Kendall Company, the mill manifests the importance of textile production as a driving economic force in South Carolina and its specific impact in Edgefield County. Designed by Daniel Augustus Tomkins and built by D.K. Cecil, the plant opened in 1898 and was the county's sole textile manufacturer until the 1950s, remaining one of the county's largest industrial operations through the late-twentieth century. The mill gradually increased in size during the late-nineteenth

and early-twentieth centuries, as additions and freestanding buildings were constructed to facilitate its operation. The five remaining buildings and structures—the original mill, expanded to the north in 1909 and 1918; original smokestack; circa 1920 garage/workshop; and circa 1910 and 1920 in-ground reservoirs—are in good condition.

The <u>Seneca Cotton Mill</u> in Seneca was listed in the National Register on January 13, 2022. The complex is locally significant for its association with textile manufacturing, the primary industry in the South Carolina Upstate at the time of its construction and operation. Originally designed by W. B. Smith Whaley and built between 1900 and 1901 with 15,000 spindles, the plant greatly expanded in the postwar period to over 75,000 spindles. Major additions were made to the main mill in 1927 and 1946, with smaller additions in the 1950s and 1960s. Later called the Lonsdale Mill and finally the Utica & Mohawk Cotton Mill, the mill is significant as one of the few remaining examples of its type in Oconee County. The period of significance encompasses the start of construction of the original mill in 1900 and ends in 1952, when Utica-Mohawk built a new plant and company headquarters in nearby Clemson, diminishing the importance of Seneca Cotton Mill to the local textile industry.

The <u>Triangle Building</u> at 1203-1211 Pendleton Street in Greenville was listed in the National Register on January 13, 2022 at the local level for significance in Industry, Commerce, and Social History: Labor History. It is a two-story brick triangular-plan commercial building constructed circa 1928 as a finishing and retail building for Piedmont Plush Mill. The building was part of the commercial growth of the Village of West Greenville that resulted from the expansion of the textile industry in the early-twentieth century. While most mills were producing only raw textiles, Piedmont Plush Mill saw the benefit in operating a finishing site and selling completed products directly to consumers. The building was part of textile workers' unionization efforts from 1937 to 1939, when the Textile Workers Organizing Committee (TWOC) of Greenville used the space as their meeting hall.

The <u>P.D. Cockfield House</u> in Lake City was listed in the National Register on January 13, 2022 for local significance in Architecture as a highly-intact, fine example of Folk Victorian residential architecture. The house was constructed in 1905 as a town residence for the family of P.D. Cockfield, a successful local cotton farmer. In contrast to more elaborate expressions of the Folk Victorian style, the Cockfield House exhibits a restrained and vernacular approach featuring minimal, simple ornamentation from the period. The character of the house is largely unaltered and has significant historic features and intact finishes, including the Folk Victorian two-story L-shaped front porch. Apart from the small rear addition constructed sometime after World War II, the house retains its original footprint.

The <u>James Stocker Simmons House</u> at 122 Rutledge Avenue in Charleston was listed in the National Register on January 14, 2022 at the local level of significance in Community Planning and Development for its association with James Stocker Simmons (1858-1933), the developer of the locally important early 20th-century automobile suburb of Windermere. Simmons exercised total control over the creation of Windermere and executed it according to his own specific vision, which included one of the region's first curvilinear residential street patterns, deed restrictions, and an architectural control committee. This three-story dwelling was built in the Queen Anne Victorian architectural style, and retains a high degree of historic integrity. Original character-defining features preserved on the exterior of the house include the building's unique porch ceilings, offset bay window, and wood soffit pendants. The interior of the building features the original staircase, decorative mantels, and interior wood paneling. The property is also within the boundaries of the National Register-listed Charleston Historic District and is a contributing property to the district.

Confederation of SC Local Historical Societies Seeks Award Nominations

The Confederation of SC Local Historical Societies is seeking nominations for its awards program, which recognizes the special achievements of historical organizations, volunteers in historical organizations, professionals, and other entities that further the programs and projects of historical organizations. Awards are available to member organizations, individuals, and others for outstanding work in promoting and preserving South Carolina's heritage. The Confederation recognizes winners at its Awards Banquet at the South Carolina Landmark Conference each year. The deadline is March 31, 2022. For more information about the awards and how to submit nominations visit www.csclhs.org/awards.

FY 2020 Federal Historic Tax Credit Annual Report

The National Park Service (NPS) Technical Preservation Services recently published the <u>Annual Report on the Economic Impact of the Federal Historic Tax Credits for Fiscal Year 2020</u>. The NPS partners with Rutgers University's Center for Urban Policy Research to prepare the report. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2020, the NPS certified 989 completed historic rehabilitation projects, representing \$6.5 billion in estimated rehabilitation costs that qualify for the 20% Federal tax credit. Another 1,282 proposed projects were also approved in FY 2020. About half of the certified rehabilitation projects were located in low-and moderate-income areas. Program investments created approximately 122,000 jobs, including 42,000 in construction and 27,000 in manufacturing.

Conferences / Workshops & Training / Events

NEW SC Archives & History Foundation Spring Speaker Series. Join the South Carolina Archives & History Foundation for the upcoming Spring Speaker Series.

- March 8 Noon-1:00 PM (virtual via WebEx): Bates-Foreman Cemetery Project: Cold War Era Re-Interments in Jackson, South Carolina, 1951-1954. Speaker: Haley Milner, Brian Milner, Savannah River Archaeological Research Program
- April 7 11:00 AM-Noon: Drayton Hall Stories: Preserving the Recent History of a Place, Archives & History Center, 8301 Parklane Road, Columbia. Speaker: Dr. George McDaniel, Retired Executive Director of Drayton Hall

The lectures are free but registration is required. For more information visit https://scarchivesandhistoryfoundation.org/category/news-events/.

22nd Annual National Tribal Preservation Conference, February 22-25, 2022, online. Sponsored by the National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (NATHPO), this year's conference theme is "Unity and Healing". For more information visit the <u>conference webpage</u>.

NEW Grant Writing: Creating a Winning Proposal, February 24, 2022, online. Offered by the State Library, this free webinar covers the basics of grant writing. Registration is required, for more information and to register visit https://statelibrary.sc.libcal.com/event/8835472.

NEW International Gullah Geechee and African Diaspora Conference, February 24-26, 2022, online and Conway. The conference theme is "Who Owns This? Communities, Heritage, and Preservation" and is offered by the

Joyner Institute for Gullah Geechee and African Diaspora Studies at Coastal Carolina University. For more information visit https://www.coastal.edu/joynerinstitute/conference/.

State Board of Review Meeting for the National Register of Historic Places, March 25, 2022, Archives & History Center, Columbia. For more information visit https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/national-register/state-review-board. The draft nominations will be posted online two weeks prior to the meeting.

National Council on Public History Conference, March 23-26, 2022, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. For more information visit https://ncph.org/conference/2022-annual-meeting/.

NEW South Carolina African American Heritage Commission Annual Conference & "Preserving Our Places in History" Awards Luncheon, April 20-21, 2022, Columbia. Registration opens March 14th. Click here for more information.

NEW Traditional Building Conference, April 6-7, 2022, Alexandria, VA. The event features two days of AIA CEU classroom education, architectural tours, and networking. Education topics will cover methods and materials, restoration and renovation, adaptive use and infill, preservation planning and classical design, sustainability and resiliency. More information is available at <a href="https://doi.org/10.2012/jhis.2012/jh

South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference, April 22, 2022, Columbia. This one day event features a range of educational sessions on preservation, history, and research topics. The conference brochure and online registration is now available at https://scarchivesandhistoryfoundation.org/category/news-events/.

Landmarks Conference, April 28-30, 2022, Lexington. The Confederation of South Carolina Local Historical Societies is partnering with organizations in Lexington County to host the Landmarks Conference. If you have any questions, please contact the Confederation at sclocalhistory@gmail.com.

Keeping History Above Water, May 15-18, 2022, Norfolk, VA. The conference will focus on adaptation, resilience, and solutions to the impacts of sea-level-rise, recurrent flooding, and climate change on historic resources. The conference includes an opening plenary, two days of conference sessions, and optional tours, site visits, and networking opportunities. Click on this link for more information.

Vernacular Architecture Forum 2022 Annual Meeting, May 18-21, 2022, San Antonio, TX. The event includes tours and paper sessions. For more information go to https://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org/conference.

Docomomo 2022 National Symposium, June 1-4, 2022, Philadelphia, PA. The <u>Docomomo US National</u> Symposium is the primary event in the United States for professionals to discuss and share efforts to preserve modern architecture and meet leading practitioners and industry professionals.

National Alliance of Preservation Commission's Forum 2022 "Bridging the Divide", July 13-17, 2022, Cincinnati, OH. FORUM is the only national conference focused on the issues facing local historic preservation boards and commissions. For more information visit https://napcommissions.org/forum/.

NEW The Slave Dwelling Project Conference: The Stono Rebellion and the Atlantic World, September 8-10, 2022, Charleston. Held in conjunction with a month-long commemoration of the 1739 Stono Rebellion, the 7th national conference will offer a hybrid format, with in-person activities in and around Charleston and a number of live-streamed virtual events. Click here to see the full 2022 schedule of the Slave Dwelling Project.

NEW Preserving the Historic Road International (PHRI) Conference, Portland, OR, September 22-24, 2022. The conference will consist of panel discussions, a working field session to two historic roads in the Portland area, breakout working groups, and facilitated large group discussions. For more information go to http://historicroads.org/2021/06/29/2022conference/. Early-bird registration ends on August 1, 2022, and full registration ends on September 10, 2022. Questions? Contact Mr. Terry H. Klein at tklein@srifoundation.org.

Grant Application Deadlines

NEW Deadline March 10, 2022 Save America's Treasures (SAT) Grants. The National Park Service has extended the application deadline for the Save America's Treasures (SAT) grants. These grants provide preservation and conservation assistance to nationally significant historic properties and collections, \$25 million will be competitively awarded. A dollar-for-dollar, non-Federal match is required, either cash or documented in-kind services. SAT is administered by the National Park Service (NPS) in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). Preservation projects fund physical preservation of historic buildings, sites, structures, and objects. Collection projects include conservation of artifacts, museum collections, documents, sculptures, and works of art. Preservation projects involve properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places for National significance or designated a National Historic Landmark. The property may be listed individually or as contributing to a nationally significant district. Properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places at the State or Local level of significance are NOT eligible for SAT grants. To apply for funding for preservation projects go to opportunity number P22AS00049. For more information about the SAT grant program visit http://go.nps.gov/sat.

April 1, 2022 Greenville County Historic and Natural Resources Trust. The Trust was authorized under an ordinance created by the Greenville County Council in December 2020. The Trust Board has allocated up to \$500,000 of its 2021-2022 fiscal year funding allocation for this second round of projects. Funding requests of up to \$200,000 per project may be possible. Projects will be considered in four categories — Historic Sites, Natural Resources, Farms, and Trails. To be considered completed applications must be received by 5:00pm EDT April 1, 2022. Eligible entities (nonprofits, or local, state, or federal body or agency working in Greenville County) may submit applications via the Trust's online portal at www.gchnrt.org. Projects will only be considered where an eligible entity has negotiated the purchase of an interest in property from willing sellers either in fee simple or via a conservation easement. Questions regarding the application process should be sent to gchnrt@gmail.com.

April 28, 2022 FY22 Historic Preservation Fund Grants. Applications and instructions for the FY22 Historic Preservation Grants are available at https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/grants. Administered by the SHPO, the matching grants can assist two types of projects: Survey and Planning and Stabilization. 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. For more information contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or bsauls@scdah.sc.gov.

Online sources of grant information:

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

National Trust for Historic Preservation Special Grant Funds
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State Library Grants Research Assistance
SC Grantmakers Network
Federal grants Grants.gov

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