Historic Preservation News and Notes
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FY21 Historic Preservation Fund Grant Applications Available

Applications and instructions for the FY 2021 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 29, 2021. Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or bsauls@scdah.sc.gov to discuss your project before you apply.

New Listing in the National Register of Historic Places
Noel Court and Apartments in Myrtle Beach was listed in the National Register of Historic Places January 7, 2021. The Noel Court and Apartments is significant for its association with the evolution of tourist lodging in Myrtle Beach from the 1930s to the 1960s and as an unusual local example of a pre-Hurricane Hazel tourism establishment. The oldest buildings on the property, the cottages, date to approximately 1938 and were individual homes before they were repurposed as part of the 1950s motor court. Constructed in 1952, the one-story motor court building provided five units to supplement the four cottages on the property. As a motor court lodging establishment, Noel Court and Apartments primarily represents Myrtle Beach’s tourism industry prior to the Populuxe motel era that arose after the destruction brought by Hurricane Hazel in 1954. It is one of the few remaining examples of a motor court in Myrtle Beach. To access photographs and the nomination visit http://schpr.sc.gov/index.php/Detail/properties/73532.

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Welcome New SHPO Staff Members

The SHPO has recently welcomed two new staff members.

Alethea Harrison has joined the staff as the Historic Preservation Specialist, focusing on providing administrative and technical assistance in several SHPO programs, and support for the SC Historic Properties Record (SCHPR). Alethea is a graduate of Clemson University where she majored in History, and is currently pursuing a master’s degree in Anthropology. She previously worked part-time for the Department of Archives and History assisting in the digitization of survey records for SCHPR.

Christopher Tenny has joined the staff as the new Historic Architecture Consultant, serving as coordinator of the state historic tax credit program for homeowners, and providing architectural reviews and technical assistance for other SHPO programs. Chris received his master’s degree in Historic Preservation from the Clemson University / College of Charleston graduate program, and his bachelor’s degree in Applied Anthropology from the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. He most recently worked with Historic Columbia as a Research Coordinator and previously interned with the Preservation Society of Charleston.

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2021 Most Endangered Places Nominations Due February 1, 2021

Since 1988, the National Trust for Historic Preservation has issued an annual list of America’s 11 Most Endangered Historic Places to raise awareness about the threats facing historic places across the nation. The lists, which have identified more than 300 sites to date, have helped galvanize preservation efforts to protect sites, and less than five percent of sites on the list have been lost. For more information about the program and to nominate a property visit https://savingplaces.org/11-most-nominations#.YAM_M-hKiF4.

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Call for Session Proposals for National Preservation Conference

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is accepting proposals for educational sessions for PastForward, the national preservation conference to be held November 2-6, 2021. For more information about submitting a proposal visit https://savingplaces.org/conference#.YANAuhKiF4. The deadline is February 1, 2021.

The National Trust has made several recordings from the virtual 2020 Past Forward conference available online, visit https://savingplaces.org/conference#.YANAuhKiF4 for information on how to access.
Conferences / Workshops / Events

**NEW Professional Development Webinars for South Carolina Educators.** The WeGOJA Foundation and the SC African American Heritage Commission are hosting a series of free professional development webinars for educators to help enhance their classroom instruction. The webinars provide easy-to-follow, curriculum based lesson plans, activities and resources for 3rd and 8th grade art and social studies. The material incorporates African American history and heritage into lesson plans, and, through modeling, demonstrates how to address complex historical subjects in the classroom, like slavery and Civil Rights. To register visit [https://www.wegoja.org/teachers-webinars](https://www.wegoja.org/teachers-webinars).

**NEW National Preservation Institute Online Training Courses.** The National Preservation Institute has launched a series of online training courses on a wide range of topics ranging from Section 106 to GIS to Historic Wood Windows to Streetscape Designs. Visit [https://training.npi.org/](https://training.npi.org/) for more information and listings, including several free offerings.

**Real Places 2021 Conference.** February 3–5, 2021, online. The Texas Historical Commission annual conference will connect attendees with industry-leading experts in heritage tourism and historic preservation from across the U.S. to learn practical, actionable solutions they can apply in their communities. Learn more about the conference and register at [realplaces.us](http://realplaces.us).

**National Council on Public History Annual Meeting.** March 8-27, 2021, online. For more information visit [https://ncph.org/conference/2021-annual-meeting/](https://ncph.org/conference/2021-annual-meeting/).


**2021 Keeping History Above Water: Charleston Communities in Action.** Charleston. Originally scheduled for March 2021, the organizing committee plans reschedule the conference to the Summer or Fall of 2021. For more information visit [http://historyabovewater.org/2021-charleston/](http://historyabovewater.org/2021-charleston/).

**NEW Past Forward National Preservation Conference.** November 2-6, 2021. Visit [https://savingplaces.org/conference#_YANAuAhiF4](https://savingplaces.org/conference#_YANAuAhiF4) for more information and to sign up for conference updates.

**Grant Application Deadlines**

**February 1, 2021 National Trust Preservation Funds.** Grants from the National Trust for Historic Preservation encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects and are awarded to nonprofit organizations and public agencies. The majority of funds are awarded to planning and education programs. Grants are awarded annually in three competitive rounds. For more information and to learn how to apply, visit [https://savingplaces.org/grants#XcBeJvKjDA](https://savingplaces.org/grants#XcBeJvKjDA).

**February 12, 2021 Battlefield Preservation Planning Grants.** The American Battlefield Protection Program at the National Park Service is now accepting applications from state, local, and tribal governments, other public
entities, non-profit organizations, and educational institutions for projects that focus on planning, interpreting, and protecting battlefields and historic sites associated with armed conflicts on American soil from any time period in history. Grants can fund research, documentation, oral history, community engagement activities, interpretation and education, preservation planning, and more. They do not require matching funds. To learn more visit https://www.nps.gov/subjects/battlefields/battlefield-planning-grants.htm or email abpp@nps.gov.

NEW April 29, 2021 FY21 Historic Preservation Fund Grants. Applications and instructions for the FY21 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
Preservation Directory Grants & Funding Resources
State Library Grants Research Assistance
SC Grantmakers Network
Federal grants Grants.gov
Foundation Center Foundation Directory Online

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program of the SCDAH, encourages and facilitates the responsible stewardship of South Carolina’s irreplaceable historic and prehistoric places.

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