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May is [Preservation Month](#)

Throughout the month of May the South Carolina Department of Archives and History invites you to follow along with our *Preservation Primers* as we navigate through select *Preservation Briefs* to highlight ways owners can better maintain and understand the historic character of their properties. Please like, share and comment on these posts on the agency's [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts.

The City of Columbia also has several events scheduled to highlight Preservation Month, check out the calendar at [Preservation Month 2022](#).

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps as a Resource of Historic Research

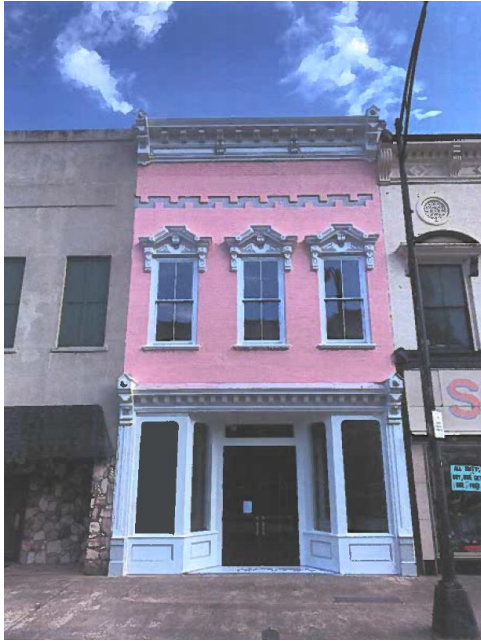
Check out a recent SCDAH blog post on [how to use Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps](#) when doing research on historic buildings.

Tax Credit Spotlight

This month's spotlight features a ca. 1890, two-story, masonry commercial structure located in the Anderson Downtown Historic District. This store building is a contributing resource to the National Register historic district and is typical of commercial structures east and west of the Courthouse Square constructed during the late-19th century's transition from wood-frame to masonry structures. During the 20th century, the late-Victorian detailing of the façade, notably the storefront and windows, were removed. With a private investment of nearly \$700,000 and federal and state income-producing tax credits, the façade was restored and the interior was rehabilitated with a boutique wedding planner on the ground level and a co-working space on the upper floor. The scope of work included restoring the façade based on historic documentation, repointing with compatible mortar, sensitively upgrading the HVAC and electrical and adding fire suppression, restoring the interior plaster, retaining and restoring the historic bead board ceiling and trim, restoring the hardwood flooring, retaining historic interior doors and designing compatible replacement doors where missing, preserving the historic skylight, and preserving the historic character of the interior layout while rehabilitating the building for new uses. For more information about tax incentives for historic properties visit <https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/tax-incentives>.



Photograph of the building before rehabilitation. Image courtesy of Kyle Campbell.



Photograph of the building after rehabilitation. Image courtesy of Kyle Campbell.

State Constitutions Exhibit at the Department of Archives & History

"All Political Power is Vested in and Derived from the People" The Constitutions of South Carolina is an exhibit of the recently conserved South Carolina Constitutions of 1776, 1778, 1790, 1861, 1865, 1868, and 1895. This is a rare opportunity to view the Constitutions of South Carolina. It is the first time these foundational documents have been displayed together for public viewing. Also on display is South Carolina's 1682 recorded copy of the Fundamental Constitution of Carolina. The free exhibit is at the South Carolina Archives & History Center at 8301 Parklane Road in Columbia. It is open Monday – Saturday 8:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. (On Saturdays the building closes from Noon – 1:00 P.M. for lunch).

Preservation South Carolina Sacred Spaces Online Survey

Preservation South Carolina is conducting an online survey to help identify sacred places that may be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. To learn more about their project and for a link to the survey visit <https://www.preservesc.org/copy-of-sacred-spaces-survey>.

SC Equalization Schools Digital Exhibit

Check out the new [Equalization Schools digital exhibit](#), part of the College of Charleston's Lowcountry Digital History Initiative created by a former SHPO staff member, Rebekah Dobrasko. It features an interactive map of all the known equalization schools, along with educational resources.

Two SC Sites to be Added to Brown v. Board of Education National Historical Park

The National Park Service [recently announced](#) a law to expand and redesignate the Brown v. Board of Education National Historical Park was signed by President Biden. The law added two school sites in South Carolina to the historical park upon acquisition by the National Park Service (NPS), and designates schools in Delaware, Virginia and the District of Columbia as affiliated areas of the NPS. The authorized additions to the park are:

- **Summerton High School (Summerton, SC).** Built in 1936 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Summerton High School was an all-white school that refused to admit black students prompting the *Briggs v. Elliott* case.
- **Scott's Branch High School (Summerton, SC).** The former "equalization school" was constructed for African American students in 1951 under the guise of providing facilities comparable to those for white students. Today, the former school is now the Community Resource Center owned by Clarendon School District 1.

2022 Research Symposium: Historic Cemeteries In Cultural Contexts, Local To Global Call for Papers

The Woodland Cemetery and African American Burial Ground Historic Preservation Project and the Legacy Council at Clemson University have issued a call for paper proposals for the second annual Research Symposium to be held October 24-25, 2022 at Clemson University. This year's theme, "Historic Cemeteries in Cultural Contexts, Local to Global," encompasses the broadest conception of burial grounds, from local cemeteries to shipwrecks on the seafloor. They seek proposals from the public, professionals, scholars, and graduate students of all disciplines who are working to research, publicize, and/or memorialize historic cemeteries and burial grounds. Proposals are due July 15, 2022. For more information about the symposium and how to submit a proposal [click here](#)

National Trust List of 11 Most Endangered Historic Places

In early May the National Trust for Historic Preservation released its annual list of [America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places](#), which represent a wide range of cultures, histories, and geographic areas of the country.

Conferences / Workshops & Training / Events

Docomomo 2022 National Symposium, June 1-4, 2022, Philadelphia, PA. The [Docomomo US National 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/>. **Registration is now open.**

NEW State Board of Review Meeting for the National Register of Historic Places, July 22, 2022, Archives & History Center, Columbia. More information will be available on the [Review Board web page](#).

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 American Association for State and Local History Conference, September 14-17, 2022, Buffalo, NY (in person) and November 1-4 (online). Started in 2021, AASLH offers a dual format conference: two meetings, one in-person and one online, joined by a single theme "Right Here, Right Now: The Power of Place". The 2022 AASLH Annual Conference will be held September 14-17 in Buffalo with the 2022 Virtual Conference following on November 1-4. Registration for the conference will open in early June. [Click here](#) for more information about the 2022 conference.

NEW Georgia Historic Preservation Conference, September 19-23, 2022. The conference will be presented by the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation, the Georgia Historic Preservation Division (HPD), and the Georgia Alliance of Preservation Commissions (GAPC). More information will be posted on the [conference web page](#).

Preserving the Historic Road International (PHRI) Conference, September 22-24, 2022, Portland, OR. 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.

Preservation North Carolina 2022 Annual Conference, October 27-28, 2022, Winston-Salem, NC. For more information visit <https://www.presnc.org/experience/conference/>.

NEW PastForward National Preservation Conference, November 1-4, 2022, online. For more information visit the [conference webpage](#).

NEW Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians Annual Meeting, November 2-5, 2022, Memphis, TN. For more information visit <https://sesah.org/2022/02/17/cfp-for-annual-sesah-conference-2022/>.

NEW 9th Preservation Policy Forum: A Critical Examination of New Design in Historic Contexts, March 2023, Charleston. The Clemson University/College of Charleston Graduate Program in Historic Preservation will be hosting the forum, which is **currently accepting paper proposals with a deadline of July 15, 2022**. More information about submitting a proposal is available [here](#).

Grant Application Deadlines

NEW August 10, 2022 Underrepresented Communities Grant. The National Park Service's [Underrepresented Communities Grant Program \(URC\)](#) is now accepting applications. Projects include surveys and inventories of historic properties associated with communities underrepresented in the National Register of Historic Places, as well as the development of nominations to the National Register for specific sites. All projects must result in the submission of a new nomination to the National Register or [National Historic Landmark Program](#), or an amendment to an existing nomination to include underrepresented communities. Grants are awarded through a competitive process and do not require non-Federal match. Eligible applicants include: State Historic Preservation Offices (SHPOs); Indian Tribes that meet the definition in 54 USC 300309 and Native Hawaiian Organizations that meet the definition in 54 USC 300314; and Certified Local Governments (CLG). A current list of CLGs is found at go.nps.gov/clglist. The URC grant opportunity number is [P22AS00294](#).

Monthly, SC Humanities Council Mini Grants. SC Humanities awards Mini Grants to support public humanities programs of modest cost, with awards of \$2,000 or less. Mini Grants are reviewed monthly with deadlines on the first business day of the month. For more information visit <https://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply/#minigrants>.

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 \$2,000 or less. Planning Grants are reviewed monthly with deadlines on the first business day of the month. For more information visit <https://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply/#planninggrants>.

Open for Applications, USDA - Rural Development Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grants. This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area. [Learn more & apply here.](#)

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](#)

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