



SC African American Heritage Commission

Preserving Our Places in History Awards Master List, 2006-2021

2006 Award Recipients

Elected Individuals

- Congressman James E. Clyburn- National Elected Official
- State Representative Lonnie Hosey- State Elected Official
- Mayor Joseph P. Riley, Jr. of Charleston- Local Elected Official

Organizations

- Bettis Academy Heritage Team- Renovation of Biddle Hall
- Mt. Zion Rosenwald Preservation Committee- Preservation of Mt. Zion Rosenwald School
- Sweetgrass Cultural Arts Festival Committee- Sweetgrass Cultural Arts Festival
- GLEAMNS Human Resources Commission, the Palmetto Conservation Foundation, and the City of Greenwood- Preservation of the Benjamin E. Mays House
- The Committee for the Beautification and Restoration of Randolph Cemetery- Restoring Randolph Cemetery
- Historic Columbia Foundation- Jubilee Festival

2007 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Cecil J. Williams

Lifetime Achievement Award

Emory Campbell

Group or Organization Award

Center for Heirs' Property Preservation

Project Award

Camden African American Heritage Project

2008 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Clifton W. Anderson

Project Award

- Women's Baptist Educational and Missionary Convention of South Carolina
- Rock Hill Historical Marker Committee and the Piedmont Regional Association of Realtors

Group or Organization Award

54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment, Company I Civil War Reenactment Unit

Lifetime Achievement Award

Ronald Daise

"Trailblazer" Award

Honorable Judge Matthew J. Perry

2009 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Harlan Greene

Project Award

Carolina Low Country & Atlantic World Program (CLAW)

Group or Organization Award

David Williams & The Williams Muscadine Vineyard & Farm

Lifetime Achievement Award

The Penn Center

"Trailblazer" Award

- Rhoda Green
- Bobby Gin

2010 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Andrew Agha & Nicole Isengarger

Project Award

The Daufuskie Island Historical Foundation

Group or Organization Award

The Sweet Grass Cultural Arts Festival Association

Lifetime Achievement Award

- Queen Quet
- Dr. Cleveland Sellers, Jr.

2011 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Dr. Karen Chandler

Project Award

The Seashore Farmers' Lodge Museum & Cultural Center

Group or Organization Award

Southeast Rural Community Outreach

Lifetime Achievement Award

Wilhelmina Prince Johnson

Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr. Trailblazer Award

African American Historical Alliance of South Carolina

2012 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Rev. Dr. M. Charmaine Ragin

Project Award

Historic Columbia Foundation Connecting Communities Through History

Group or Organization Award

Fort Sumter National Monument

Lifetime Achievement Award

Jack Solomon Bass

Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr. Trailblazer Award

AT&T African American History Calendar & Website

2013 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Curtis Franks

Project Award

Town of Mount Pleasant for US 17 Road Widening Project

Organization Award

Charleston County for Palmetto Commerce Parkway, Inland Rice Fields Mitigation Effort

Group Award

Historic Columbia Foundation for the Mann-Simons Site

Lifetime Achievement Award

Dr. Walter Edgar

Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr. Trailblazer Award

Congressman James E. Clyburn

2014 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Anita Joyce Singleton-Prather

Project Award

- Historic Brattonsville's By the Sweat of Our Brows
- Columbia SC 63: Our Story Matters

Group or Organization Award

- Preservation Society of Charleston
- The Mitchelville Preservation Project

Lifetime Achievement Award

Kitty “Miss Kitty” Wilson-Evans

Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr. Trailblazer Award

Jannie Harriot

2016 Award Recipients

Individual Award

State Representative Joseph Neal

Project Award

- Daufuskie Endangered Places Program
- Restoration of the Woodrow Wilson Family Home

Group or Organization Award

Slave Dwelling Project

Lifetime Achievement Award

Senator Clementa Pinckney

Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr. Trailblazer Award

- Mayor Steve Benjamin
- Jonathan Green
- Willie Jefferies
- Attorney I.S. Leevy Johnson
- Rev. Nelson B. Rivers, III
- Dori Sanders
- Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Sr.
- Congressman James E. and Mrs. Emily Clyburn
- Cecil Williams
- Justice Ernest Adolphus Finney, Jr.
- Harvey Bernard Gantt
- Eugene Harold Robinson
- Marian Wright Edelman
- Charles Frank Bolden, Jr.
- Mayor Joseph P. Riley

2017 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Dr. Bobby Donaldson

Project Award

Heyward-Washington House

Group or Organization Award

Beaufort Monument Committee

Leon A. Love Lifetime Achievement Award

Dr. David H. Swinton

Herbert A. DeCosta Trailblazer Award

Dr. Luns C. Richardson

2017/2018 Award Recipients

Project Award

- Gullah Geechee Wisdom Cards
- There is Something About Edgefield

Group or Organization Award

WMBF News for In Their Own Words: Stories of Former S.C. Slaves told by Descendants

Leon A. Love Lifetime Achievement Award

Mabel James Dickey

Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr. Trailblazer Award

Dr. Barbara Williams Jenkins

Student Award

Enfinitee R. Irving for “How Did We Get to Now”

Legislator of the Year Award

Senator Vincent Sheheen

2019 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Mrs. Cassandra Williams Rush

Project Award

- Garvin-Garvey House
- Holly Springs Colored School
- Champion Pearson Funeral Home

Group or Organization Award

- Historic Charleston Foundation
- W. Gresham Meggett Equalization School Project
- City of Hartsville African American Cemetery Committee

Leon A. Love Lifetime Achievement Award

Dr. Willie Harriford

Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr. Trailblazer Award

Dr. Vivian Ayers Allen

Commissioner of the Year Award

Dr. Larry Watson

Legislator of the Year Award

Representative Robert Q. Williams

2021 Award Recipients

Individual Award

Dr. Beatrice Rice Thompson

Project Award

The Cecil Williams South Carolina Civil Rights Museum

Group or Organization Award

- The Village Group
- Drayton Hall Preservation Trust

Leon A. Love Lifetime Achievement Award

Joseph McGill

Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr. Trailblazer Award for Innovative Leadership

Marilyn Hemingway

Legislator of the Year Award

State Representative Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr.

Student Award

Keighla Pope

SCAAHC Commissioner of the Year

Dr. Abel Bartley

Jannie Harriot Founders Award

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