



SC African American Heritage Commission

April Newsletter

Welcome to the SC African American Heritage Commission newsletter. In it you will find updates about their activities and events pertaining to African American History in South Carolina!

Commission Activities

Commissioners have been busy the past few weeks participating in events. See below for a recap!



March 8, 2024: Commissioner Deacon Wilfred Pace led a tour of Bull Swamp School in Orangeburg, SC. Serving as Project Manager, Deacon Pace along with other committed members of the Bull Swamp Baptist Church have restored this WPA-funded school, to its former glory and are in the process of making the space locally based community assembly center.



March 14, 2024: Charmaine Clowney spoke on behalf of the Commission at the Gravesite Ceremony for Hettie Anderson, an African American model from SC whose likeness is on the Victory Statue in NY and the Saint Gaudens Double Eagle Coin. Karen G. Strickland, who is former chair of the Commission, the SC Numismatic Association, the Midlands Coin Club, The Honorable Senator Darrell Jackson, and The Honorable Mayor Rickenmann were in attendance.



March 15, 2024: Dr. Vernon Burton participated in the Southern History of Education Society (SHOES) conference. This free conference was held at Allen University and Dr. Burton served as the moderator for the "Educating Freedmen" panel.

Upcoming African American History Events!

Click on the flyer to learn more information

BRIGGS BEFORE AND BEYOND BROWN

Roundtable Discussion
Thursday, April 4, 2024
Luther F. Carter Center
200 West Evans Street, Florence, SC
5:30 PM

Moderator
Dr. Louis Venters

Panelists

Historian Dr. Larry Watson	Photographer & Museum Owner Mr. Cecil J. Williams
Briggs v. Elliott Descendant Mr. Nathaniel Briggs	Signer of Briggs v. Elliott Petition Mrs. Beatrice Rivers
Pearson Family Representative Dr. Akiva Ford	Attorney/Author/Humanitarian Dr. Tom Mullikin

Admission is Free
For Information Contact Jannie Harriot - 843-639-2455

This program sponsored By
The 1772 Foundation - 1772foundation.org
SC Humanities - <https://schumanities.org/>

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Mende Cultural Arts & Film Festival

Remembering Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Thursday, April 4th, 3-5 p.m.

Hurd/St. Andrews Library



Join us to celebrate Gullah Geechee culture and the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. in April. We will screen the film *Family Across the Sea* (SCETV) and offer a discussion about Sierra Leone and the connection to Gullah Geechee culture. This program is offered in partnership with The Gullah Geechee Group, Inc.



A discussion about:

Sierra Leone



Gullah Geechee artisans pictured left to right: Yaw Owusu - Blacksmith; Vermelle Rodrigues - Quilts (husband Andrew); Nancy Edwards - Sweetgrass Baskets

Presented by Hurd/St. Andrews Library, 1735 N. Woodmere Dr., Charleston, SC 29407 Phone: 843-766-2546



Let's Talk About...

After Brown v. Board of Education Now What?

with
Charmaine Clowney, J.D.
Chair of South Carolina
Heritage Commission



Saturday, April 13, 2024
1:00-3:00 pm

FREE ADMISSION
Q&A with Light Refreshments


Presented by
The African American Cultural Center of Camden

This event will be held at:
The Revolutionary War Visitor Center
212 Broad Street, Camden

For more information about the event call
Camden Archives & Museum at: 803-425-6050

Grant Opportunities from SCAAHC & SCDAH!

Is there a building, structure, or site in your town/city/county with historical African American significance that deserves to be recognized? Is your organization interested in a State Historical Marker but lack the funds to purchase the marker itself? The SC African American Heritage Commission would like to help! Please see the flyer below to learn more. Email Ayanna Goines, agoines@scdah.sc.gov with any questions! **Deadline: April 30, 2024**




South Carolina African American Heritage Commission FY 23-24 Historical Marker Funding Program

The South Carolina African American Heritage Commission is pleased to announce a new program to fund state historical markers that focus on African American historic places during state fiscal year FY23-24.

State historical markers mark and interpret places important to an understanding of South Carolina's past, either as the sites of significant events, or at historic properties such as buildings, sites, structures, or other resources significant for their design, as examples of a type, or for their association with institutions or individuals significant in local, state, or national history.

Between 15 and 20 applications will be eligible to have the cost of the marker paid for by the SC African American Heritage Commission. The Commission will be listed as a co-sponsor of the marker along with the sponsoring organization.



To be considered for funding, send a South Carolina [Historical Marker Application](#), a cover letter stating interest in this program, and all required supplementary materials to the SC Department of Archives and History Marker Program by **April 30, 2024**. Proposed marker topics **must** meet the marker Program Criteria and Guidelines listed in the application to be eligible for funding. (Please include a check for the \$250 Marker Research Fee with the application. Applications selected for funding will have their check returned as the fee will be paid on behalf of the applicant by the SC African American Heritage Commission. Applications not selected for funding will be notified and given the option to continue to have the application reviewed or request its return.)

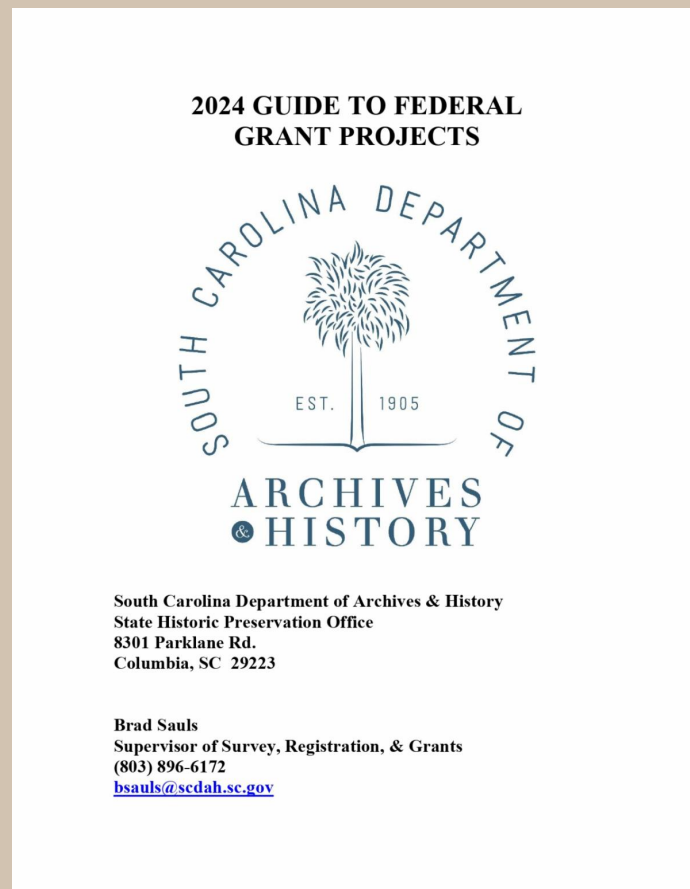
Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until all available funding has been committed.

A sponsoring organization will be eligible for the cost of ONE historical marker in FY23-24. Additional costs such as paying for marker installation or holding a dedication event are not covered. Please note that individuals are not eligible to be a sponsoring organization.

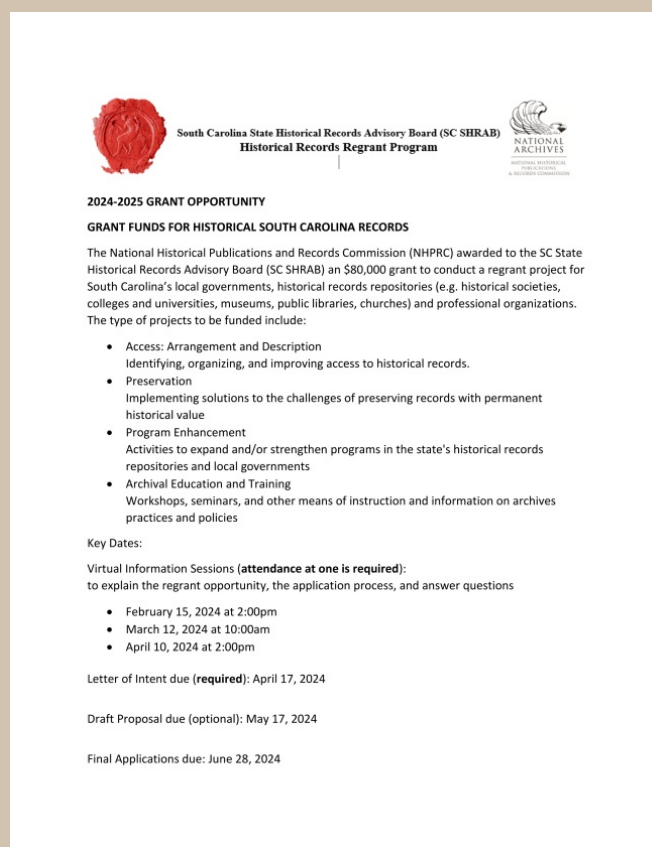
Sponsoring organizations will be responsible for proposing and securing a location for the marker and installing the marker. If a dedication event is held, the SC African American Heritage Commission will be notified and invited to participate.

Questions? Contact Ayanna Goines, 803-896-8256, agoines@scdah.sc.gov.

Federal Historic Preservation Subgrants: Click the flyer for more information.
Contact [Brad Sauls](mailto:bsauls@scdah.sc.gov), bsauls@scdah.sc.gov, for more information. **Deadline: April 30, 2024**



SC State Historical Records Advisory Board Historical Records Regrant:
Click the flyer for more information and contact [Erin Lowry](mailto:eshrab@scdah.sc.gov), SHRAB Coordinator at eshrab@scdah.sc.gov or 803-896-6128 with questions and to register for a Virtual Information Session or the Digital Planning Class. **Deadline: April 17, 2024**



Can't get enough of Conferences? Check out this upcoming one!

Click the flyer to learn more information.



South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference 2024

Friday, April 26, 2024

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Join us for the South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference featuring a wide range of topics on South Carolina history, historic properties, and current historic preservation issues.

Conference Location:

SC Archives & History Center - 8301 Parklane Road - Columbia, SC 29223

The SC Archives & History Center is located near the intersection of I-20 and I-77. Find directions and a map at <https://scdah.sc.gov/about-us/how-find-us>. Free parking is available in the front and side parking lots.

For any assistance, support, or general questions please contact us.

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