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Registration Open for 2014 Preservation Conference

Registration is now open for the 2014 Preservation Conference, which will be held April 22, 2014 at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia. The conference features 20 sessions on a wide range of subjects, time for networking, lunch, and an optional tour of the newly restored Woodrow Wilson Family Home.

A printer-friendly version of the brochure and registration form is available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. There are 2 ways to register:

- (1) Fill out and mail the registration form with your check.
- (2) Register and pay online with a credit card at <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/historic-preservation-conference-registration-10742421873>.

Questions about registration should be directed to Nancy Brooks of the Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation, 803-422-7803 or nancy@palmettotrust.org. **Early registration ends April 4, 2014.**

SCDAH Twitter and New Historical Marker Blog

We're (still) on Twitter! If you aren't already following us on Twitter (@SCArchives) <https://twitter.com/scarchives> make sure that you do. In addition to the content we've always provided, we're also posting more information from our Historical Marker program. We'll let you know when new markers are erected and ask for your help in finding some markers that remain on our "missing" list, among other things.

You can also follow our new historical marker blog at www.schistoricalmarkers.org where we will work to give you more background information and deeper context on selected markers. We want to tell big stories on small signs, but sometimes we just run out of room. This blog will give us an opportunity to enhance the content that we're providing to you. For more information please contact Ehren Foley, Historical Marker Coordinator, at efoley@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6182.

Newest Listing in the National Register of Historic Places

Prosperity Cemetery in Prosperity in Newberry County was listed in the National Register on January 15, 2014. Prosperity Cemetery is significant as an excellent example of 19th- and early-20th-century gravestone art in a small town or rural cemetery of the South Carolina piedmont. It contains a concentration of markers "signed" by local merchants, marble yard owners, and stonecutters. The cemetery is approximately three acres and contains roughly 1,065 graves, with the first burials occurring in 1802 and the most recent occurring in early 2013. The gravestones are largely either marble or granite and range from simple tympanum tablet markers to obelisks to large monuments with monumental sculpture. Funerary art includes the weeping willow, Easter lily, roses --either in bud form or broken, oak tree leaves, dove, cross and crown, and the hand of God reaching down from Heaven.

Lowcountry Digital History Initiative Launched

The [Lowcountry Digital Library](http://www.lcpldhi.org) at the College of Charleston has launched the [Lowcountry Digital History Initiative](http://www.lcpldhi.org) (LDHI). LDHI is an online platform for partner institutions and collaborative scholars to translate multi-institutional archival materials, historic landscapes and structures, and scholarly research into widely accessible digital public history projects. Current exhibitions include: *The Orangeburg Massacre*; *The Charleston Hospital Worker's Movement 1968-1969*; *A History of Burke High School in Charleston, South Carolina since 1894*; *African Laborers for a New Empire: Iberia, Slavery, and the Atlantic World*; *Forgotten Fields: Inland Rice Plantations in the South Carolina Lowcountry*; and *The Pollitzer Family of South Carolina*. Featured series include: *African Passages*, *Lowcountry Adaptations*, which describes the history of slavery, plantations, and the trans-Atlantic slave trade from the Atlantic World to Charleston and the South Carolina Lowcountry; and *After Slavery: Race, Labor, and Politics in the Post-Emancipation Carolinas*, which focuses on the complex history of Reconstruction that followed the American Civil War. Visit <http://ldhi.library.cofc.edu/>.

Webinar on Starting a Nonprofit

The SC Association of Nonprofit Organizations will host its [most popular webinar](#), **Before You Start a Nonprofit...** on Wednesday, March 26 at 3pm, presented by Benjamin Bullock, Administration and Member Services Coordinator. (Note: This free workshop is held quarterly throughout the year.) The hour long webinar will cover:

- How to assess your readiness to create a nonprofit
- What you need to know before starting a nonprofit
- How to acquire tax-exempt status
- How nonprofits generate money
- How to manage a nonprofit corporation
- Alternatives to forming a nonprofit - working with a fiscal sponsor
- Keys to success for a nonprofit corporation

Association for Preservation Technology Building Technology Heritage Library

The Building Technology Heritage Library is primarily a collection of American and Canadian, pre-1964 architectural trade catalogs, house plan books and technical building guides. Trade catalogs are an important primary source to document past design and construction practices. These materials can aid in the preservation and conservation of older structures as well as other research goals. The library is available here <https://archive.org/details/buildingtechnologyheritagelibrary>.

More Award Nominations Sought

The Southeastern Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians is accepting nominations for its **Best of the South: Preserving Southern Architecture Award**. The Award honors a project that preserves or restores a historic building, or complex of buildings, in an outstanding manner that demonstrates excellence in research, technique, and documentation. Projects completed in 2012 and 2013 in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia are eligible. **The deadline for submissions is July 1, 2014.** For more information on SESAH and the Best of the South Award, visit www.sesah.org, or contact Ruben Acosta at rubenacostahistorian@gmail.com.

The National Alliance of Preservation Commissions is now accepting applications for its [2014 Commission Excellence Awards](#) to recognize and honor outstanding efforts and achievements by local historic preservation commissions and boards of architectural review. Award categories include Best Practices - identification and protection of historic resources, public outreach, and technology - and Commission of the Year. **The deadline for applications is April 15.** Click [here](#) to download a nomination form or contact Paul Trudeau, NAPC Program Director, at [ptrudeau@uga.edu](mailto:p Trudeau@uga.edu) or 706-369-5881 for more information.

[Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Webinars on Section 106 Topics](#)

The series begins March 24 and April 1 with an updated program on "Understanding 36 CFR 800.12: Disaster Response and Emergencies." Prepare for the unexpected by learning how to move response actions through 106 reviews more efficiently or how to participate in expedited consultations. Additional webinars will focus on identifying historic properties in Section 106 reviews, offering participants the chance for an in-depth look at a series of perennially challenging issues: managing confidential information, defining the Area of Potential Effects, and meeting the reasonable and good faith identification standard.

Course details and registration instructions are now available at www.achp.gov/sec106webinar.html. If you have questions email webinar@achp.gov.

[Diversity Scholarship Applications for National Preservation Conference](#)

May 1 is the deadline for applications for the 2014 National Preservation Conference's Diversity Scholarship Program (DSP). The conference will be held in Savannah, Georgia. Scholarship recipients will receive stipends in the form of complimentary registration and lodging. Additionally, DSP participants will have an opportunity to present their preservation work during the conference and take advantage of National Trust programs after the conference. Click [here](#) for more information about the program and [here](#) for the application.

[PreservationDirectory.com](#)

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- [Historical Societies](#)
- [Museums](#)
- [Downtown and Main Street Programs](#)
- [Grants and Funding Sources](#)
- [Historic Theater Directory](#)
- [Undergraduate / Certificate Programs / Graduate Programs in Historic Preservation](#)
- [State Historic Preservation Office directory](#)
- [Books](#)
- [Certified Local Governments \(CLGs\) directory](#)
- [Tribal Historic Preservation Offices](#)
- [Preservation Library](#)
- [Preservation General Resources](#)

Conferences / Workshops / Events

NEW Masters of the Building Arts Festival, March 28-29, 2014, Charleston. Sponsored by the College of the Building Arts, the event celebrates the extraordinary skill and artistry of master craftspeople and the durability of traditional building techniques. This year's theme, Living Traditions, highlights the customs passed down by skilled craftsman who turn basic needs into objects of delight that inspire, excite and enthrall. For more information about the event see http://buildingartscollege.us/?page_id=1513.

NEW Georgia Historic Preservation Commissions Training, April 11-12, 2014, Athens, GA. Through a shared partnership, the Historic Preservation Division of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources and the Georgia Alliance of Preservation Commission will offer a two-day educational training for HPC members, staff, local government officials, and preservationists. Click [here](#) to download the registration form. A full schedule is available [here](#).

2014 Landmark Conference, March 26-28, 2014, St. Matthews. The Calhoun County Museum and Cultural Center will host the event, which will also celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Confederation of South Carolina Local Historical Societies. For more information contact the Museum and Cultural Center at 803-874-3964 or visit <http://www.palmettohistory.org/confederation/>.

SC African American Heritage Commission Annual Meeting and Awards, March 28, 2014, SC Archives and History Center, Columbia. The theme for the event is "Exploring African American History through the Arts." The keynote speaker will be artist Jonathan Green. Please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/res/Pages/SCAAHC.aspx> for information on how to register. The registration deadline has been extended until March 24, 2014.

Society of Architectural Historians Conference, April 9-13, 2014, Austin, TX. For more information visit <http://www.sah.org/conferences-and-programs/2014-conference-austin>.

Section 106: An Introduction, April 8-10, 2014, Tallahassee, FL. Offered by the National Preservation Institute, in cooperation with the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources. For more information go to <http://www.npi.org/sem-106i.html>.

South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference, April 22, 2014, Columbia. The conference brochure and registration information is available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. **Early registration discount available until April 4, 2014.**

Cultural Heritage Tourism Exchange, April 24-25, 2014, Washington DC. For more information visit <http://www.chtexchange.com/>.

NEW 2014 Savannah Preservation Festival, May 8 – 10, 2014, Savannah, GA. Sponsored by Historic Savannah Foundation, the Festival includes a lecture by Donovan Rypkema, a nationally recognized speaker on the economics of historic preservation and several tours. Details and tickets for all events are available online at www.myhsf.org.

2014 National Main Streets Conference, May 18-21, 2014, Detroit, MI. With the theme “Works in Progress” the conference will offer participants lessons on resilience, innovation, and hard work, all of which exemplify the Main Street movement across the country. See <http://www.preservationnation.org/main-street/training/conference/2014-detroit/>.

Association for Gravestone Studies 2014 Annual Conference, June 17-22, 2014, Franklin, IN. More information will be on the website <https://www.gravestonestudies.org/>.

National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Forum, July 16-20, 2014, Philadelphia, PA. This biannual gathering of local historic preservation commissions and boards of architectural review members and staff is the largest of its kind in the country. For more information, and to sign up for updates about the event go to <http://napc.uga.edu/forum2014/>. Or contact Paul Trudeau, NAPC Program Director, with any Forum-related questions at ptrudeau@uga.edu.

Slave Dwelling Project 2014 Conference “Preserving Our Sacred Spaces”, September 18-20, 2014, Savannah, GA. See <http://slavedwellingproject.org/slave-dwelling-conference/>.

NEW Southern Studies Showcase, September 19-20, 2014, Edgefield. Sponsored by the Old Edgefield District Genealogical Society. For more information contact Dr. Constance T. McNeill at connie@wctel.net.

NEW Preserving the Historic Road Conference, September 26-28, 2014, Savannah, GA. Information will be posted on <http://historicroads.org/>.

National Preservation Conference, November 11-14, 2014, Savannah, GA. See <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/npc/>.

Grant Application Deadlines

May 1, 2014: National Endowment for the Humanities Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions. Preservation Assistance Grants help small and mid-

sized institutions—such as libraries, museums, historical societies, archival repositories, cultural organizations, town and county records offices, and colleges and universities—improve their ability to preserve and care for their significant humanities collections. These may include special collections of books and journals, archives and manuscripts, prints and photographs, moving images, sound recordings, architectural and cartographic records, decorative and fine art objects, textiles, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, furniture, historical objects, and digital materials. For complete details see <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/pag.html>. Program questions should be directed to NEH's Division of Preservation and Access at 202-606-8570 or preservation@neh.gov.

May 1, 2014: Several **National Trust for Historic Preservation** grant applications are due May 1, 2014:

- [Cynthia Woods Mitchell Fund for Historic Interiors](#), awarding grants for the planning phases of interior restoration projects. Grants range from \$2,500 to \$10,000 and require a dollar-for-dollar match.
- [Hart Family Fund for Small Towns](#), providing preservation planning and education grants to projects taking place in communities of fewer than 5,000 people. Grants range from \$2,500 to \$10,000 and require a dollar-for-dollar match.
- [Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation](#), providing funding to deserving organizations demonstrating commitment to the protection of natural and cultural resources in the Mid-Atlantic region. Grants typically fall in the \$1,000 to \$2,000 range and no match is required.

If you have any questions, please contact the grants office at grants@savingplaces.org or 202-588-6277.

Online sources of grant information:

- <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/>
- <http://www.statelibrary.sc.gov/grant-and-funding-sources>
- <http://www.achp.gov/funding.html>
- <http://www.preservationdirectory.com/PreservationGeneralResources/GrantsFundingSources.aspx>

The U.S. Departments of Agriculture, Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and the Environmental Protection Agency have compiled a 44 page publication, *Federal Resources for Sustainable Rural Communities*, that lists programs, grants, and resources directed to rural communities. The publication is online at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/supportdocuments/RD_FedResourcesSustainableCommunities.pdf.

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