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HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Call for Session Proposals: 2016 SC Preservation Conference

We are now accepting proposals for education sessions at the 2016 Historic Preservation Conference, which will be held April 22, 2016 in Columbia at the SC Archives and History Center. Education sessions can cover a variety of topics, and range in difficulty from “Preservation 101” to advanced discussions of cutting-edge issues. For more details, please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. **Proposals are due January 15, 2016.**

SHPO Accepting Applications for FY 2016 Federal Grants

Applications and instructions for the FY 2016 Historic Preservation Fund matching grants are now available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. Two types of projects are eligible: survey and planning, and stabilization (only for projects located in one of SC’s 35 [Certified Local Government \(CLG\) communities](#)). **Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM, February 5, 2016.** Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or bsauls@scdah.sc.gov to discuss your project before you apply.

State Board of Review Approves 5 Nominations

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places met on Friday, November 20, 2015 at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia and approved the following nominations:

- Hickman Mill Historic District, Graniteville, Aiken County
- Beth Israel Synagogue, Greenville, Greenville County
- Miller Brothers Cotton Warehouse, Columbia, Richland County
- Duncan Park Baseball Stadium, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County
- Inman Mills, Inman, Spartanburg County

These nominations will be forwarded to the Keeper of the National Register at the National Park Service in Washington, DC who makes the final decision about listing the property in the National Register. For more information about the program and staff contacts see <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/natreg/Pages/default.aspx>.

New Listings in the National Register of Historic Places

The **James A. Fulmer House** in Fountain Inn was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on October 5, 2015. The Fulmer House, located near downtown Fountain Inn in lower Greenville County, is significant as a remarkably intact example of a one-story, brick-veneered, Tudor Revival cottage with Craftsman style windows and interior details. It was built in 1932 and based in part on plans originally drafted by noted Atlanta plan book architect Leila Ross Wilburn.

Converse Mill in Spartanburg was also listed in the National Register on October 5, 2015. It is significant for its association with the mill industry in Spartanburg County from 1903 to 1965, and as an intact example of a turn of the century industrial complex. Originally constructed in 1896 as Clifton Mill No. 3, it was one of the largest mills in the United States with 34,944 spindles and 1,092 looms by the year 1900. Completely destroyed in June of 1903 by a flash flood, Converse Mill was rebuilt by late 1903 as a five-story mill complex with adjacent cotton warehouses by the famed Boston mill engineering and architectural firm Lockwood, Greene, and Company.

The **Sinclair Service Station** in Ridgeland was listed in the National Register on October 13, 2015. The former Sinclair Service Station, constructed in 1937, is significant in the area of transportation for its association with the building of U.S. Highway 17, which served as the primary coastal highway connecting the northeast to Florida. It is also significant as a well-preserved example of a Mission Revival style service station for Sinclair Corporation.

Photographs of recent National Register listings are posted on the agency [Facebook page](#).

SC African American Heritage Commission Seeks Award Nominations

The South Carolina African American Heritage Commission seeks nominees for its "Preserving Our History in Places" awards. The nomination form is available online at http://scaaheritagefound.org/2016_POPIH_awards_info.pdf. The deadline for nominations is December 4, 2015. Awards will be presented January 29, 2016.

Endangered Roadside Resources Sought

The Society for Commercial Archeology, an organization that studies and advocates for roadside resources (i.e., diners, motels, tourist courts, etc.), is seeking nominations for its 2016 list of endangered resources, Falling By the Wayside. Information on the list and the nomination form can be found on their website at sca-roadside.org/falling-by-the-wayside. Nominations are due by January 4, 2016.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

South Carolina Federation of Museums Annual Conference, March 9-11, 2016, Edgefield. This year's conference will focus on how museums are moving forward and expanding through new construction, technology, programs and partnerships. Visit <http://www.southcarolinamuseums.org/conference> for more information.

National Council on Public History Annual Conference, March 16-19, 2016, Baltimore, MD. Visit <http://ncph.org/cms/conferences/2016-annual-meeting/> for more information. The conference program has been posted and registration is open <http://bit.ly/NCPH2016>.

7th National Forum on Historic Preservation Practice, "A Critical Examination of the Next 50 Years," March 19-20, 2016, Goucher College, Baltimore, MD. Click on [this link](#) for details about the call for papers for this conference.

Landmark Conference, March 23–25, 2016, Beaufort. The SC Confederation of Local Historical Societies will hold its annual conference and awards in Beaufort. More information will be available in the coming months.

Keeping History Above Water, April 10-13, 2016, Newport, RI. This international, multi-disciplinary conference will focus on challenges and solutions for saving historic structures and neighborhoods in coastal communities. See <http://www.historyabovewater.org/>. If you have questions contact historyabovewater@newportrestoration.org.

South Carolina's Historic Preservation Conference, April 22, 2016, Columbia. The call for session proposals is now available. Proposals are due January 15, 2016. For more information visit <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>.

National Main Streets Conference, May 23-25, 2016, Milwaukee, WI. [Click here](#) for more information.

2016 Vernacular Architecture Forum Conference, "From Farm to Factory: Piedmont Stories in Black and White," June 1-4, 2016, Durham, NC. For information, visit [this website](#), where details will be added as planning progresses.

National Alliance of Preservation Commissions FORUM 2016, July 27-31, 2016, Mobile, AL. A historic preservation conference and training program focused on the issues of preservation commissions and commission staff. More information can be found on the [NAPC website](#).

A Century of Design in the Parks: Preserving the Built Environment in National and State Parks, June 21-23, 2016, Santa Fe, NM. The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training is organizing this conference on how to preserve the built environment within national and state parks. Learn about preservation efforts for sites from early rustic, CCC, WPA, post-WWII era, NPS Mission 66 campaign, and beyond. See [the call for papers](#) which are due **by January 15, 2016**. Questions? Call Debbie Smith at NCPTT (318) 356-7444 ex 259 or email: Debbie_Smith@nps.gov.

Grant Application Deadlines

January 13, 2016: Humanities Council^{SC}'s Major Grants. Major Grants (\$2000 - \$8000) support public programs designed to be accessible by a broad audience, to serve citizens in urban, rural, and small-town settings, and to make possible humanities programs that illuminate and enrich the lives of both audiences and scholars. Drafts are strongly encouraged and will be accepted any time prior to the deadline listed below. For more information visit <http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply/> or contact T.J. Wallace at tjwallace@schumanities.org.

Information about other Humanities Council grants such as mini-grants, planning grants, and "South Carolina: The Common Good", is also available at <http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply/>.

January 14, 2016: American Battlefield Protection Program Battlefield Preservation Grants. Non-profit groups, academic institutions, and local, regional, state, and tribal governments are invited to apply for grants for eligible projects in three categories: site identification and documentation, planning and consensus building, and interpretation and education. All project applications must clearly demonstrate that the proposed activity will contribute directly to the preservation of battlefield land or an associated site. The application form and complete guidelines are available at <http://www.nps.gov/abpp/grants/battlefieldgrants/2015grants.html>.

February 1, 2016: National Trust Preservation Funds. These grants encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects. Grants

generally start at \$2,500 and range up to \$5,000. The selection process is very competitive. Members of the National Trust at the Forum or Main Street levels are eligible to apply for funding from the National Trust Preservation Fund. To learn more about the grant program and how to apply go to <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/>.

February 5, 2016: Federal Historic Preservation Grants. Administered by the SHPO, these grants can assist two types of projects: (1) Survey and Planning Projects—eligible projects include surveys of historic properties, National Register nominations, preservation education, and preservation planning; (2) Stabilization Projects—eligible projects include stabilizing historic buildings or protecting historic buildings from the adverse effects of the weather (only for projects in Certified Local Government (CLG) communities). Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Federal Historic Preservation Grant. At least 10% of the state’s annual grant from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. As funding is available after the required CLG minimum is met, then non-CLG projects may also be selected for funding. Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$25,000. The 2016 application is online at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. For additional information or to discuss a potential project contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, bsauls@scdah.sc.gov.

Online sources of grant information:

National Trust offers grants to Main Street towns through its Historic Properties Redevelopment Program. [Click here](#) to learn more.

- [National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) Finding Preservation Funding
- [Preservation Directory](#) Grants and Funding Resources
- [State Library](#) Grants Research Assistance
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