



# State Historic Preservation Office

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## Historic Preservation News and Notes March 17, 2020

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The National Trust for Historic Preservation has compiled a webpage with resources for preservationists, museums, and historic sites in response to the Coronavirus. Visit <https://forum.savingplaces.org/learn/issues/sustainability/disaster-relief/covid-19>.

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### Archives Research Room Closed Starting March 18

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic the Research Room at the South Carolina Department of Archives and History will be temporarily closed beginning Wednesday, March 18th. Staff will continue to provide remote access to records in our collection via e-mail and telephone (803-896-6104 and 803-896-6105). Please [click on this link](#) for more information about making research requests.

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### State Board of Review Meeting Postponed

The meeting of the State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places scheduled for Friday, March 20, 2020 has been postponed until further notice. We will provide information about the rescheduled meeting when it becomes available. Thank you for your patience. If you have any questions, please contact Virginia Harness at [vharness@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:vharness@scdah.sc.gov), 803-896-6179 or Edwin Breeden at [ebreeden@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:ebreeden@scdah.sc.gov), 803-896-6182.

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## SC Historic Preservation Conference Postponed to September 25

The 2020 Historic Preservation Conference scheduled for April 17 has been postponed to September 25, 2020. Please mark your calendars and check the [conference website](#) for the updated details later in the summer. We will also announce updated details in this newsletter and on social media <https://www.facebook.com/scdah/> and <https://twitter.com/SCArchives>.

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## 2020 Statewide Historic Preservation Awards Deadline Extended to May 1

The deadline for nominating a project, person, or organization for one of the annual statewide historic preservation awards has been **extended to Friday, May 1, 2020**. In their 26<sup>th</sup> year, the awards are sponsored by the SC Department of Archives and History, Preservation South Carolina, and the Office of the Governor. The six award categories are: Honor Awards, Stewardship Awards, Preservation Service Awards, Heritage Tourism Award, Elected Official Honor Award, and Governor's Award. The nomination form is available at <https://preservesc.org/nominations-historic-preservation-awards/>. A list of previous recipients is available [here](#). If you have any questions contact Amy Fluette, 803-944-9425 or [info@preservesc.org](mailto:info@preservesc.org).

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## New Listing in the National Register of Historic Places

The Gaston Livery Stable, 1315 Richland Ave. East in Aiken, was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on February 27, 2020. Built in 1893, the Gaston Livery Stable is a former full-service livery stable that is locally significant for its association with Aiken's turn-of-the-century transportation industry and as a notable example of brick, U-shaped barn design and construction. Originally constructed under the ownership of Jonathan Steadman, the stable came to be identified with the family of D.W. Gaston, Sr., who acquired the property in 1909 and operated it with his son, D.W. Gaston, Jr., until the early 1930s. Like other livery stables, Gaston's business provided important services for year-round Aiken residents as well as members of the city's famed Winter Colony. The nomination and photographs are available on the SC Historic Properties Record at this [link](#).

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## FY20 Historic Preservation Fund Grant Applications Available

Applications and instructions for the FY 2020 federal Historic Preservation Fund subgrants are available at <https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/grants>. Administered by the SHPO, these matching grants can assist two types of projects:

- **Survey and Planning Projects**—eligible projects include surveys of historic properties, National Register nominations, preservation education, and preservation planning.
- **Stabilization Projects**—eligible projects include stabilizing historic buildings or protecting historic buildings from the adverse effects of the weather. Stabilization Projects are limited to projects located in South Carolina's [Certified Local Government \(CLG\) communities](#).

Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Survey and Planning Project. Local governments, non-profits and institutions located in a CLG community may also apply for a Stabilization Project. At least ten percent of the state's annual allocation from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. Grant awards generally range from \$2,500 to \$35,000. **Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM, on Thursday, April 30, 2020.** Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or [bsauls@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:bsauls@scdah.sc.gov) to discuss your project before you apply.

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### **South Carolina Hall of Fame**

The South Carolina Hall of Fame recently inducted two contemporary and one deceased inductees. Contemporary inductees were Darius Rucker, multi-Platinum recording artist and Dr. Leo Twiggs, artist, educator and museum director. The deceased inductee is Elizabeth Evelyn Wright (1872-1906), educator and founder of Denmark Industrial Institute (Voorhees College). For more information about the Hall of Fame visit <http://www.theofficialschalloffame.com/>.

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### **Federal Historic Tax Credit Annual Report for FY 2019**

The National Park Service has released the annual report on the federal tax incentives for rehabilitation historic buildings, available at <https://www.nps.gov/tps/tax-incentives/taxdocs/tax-incentives-2019annual.pdf>. The report features a case study on the Jackson Street Freedman's Cottages project in Charleston. Overall program activity remained strong with \$7.44 billion in estimated rehabilitation costs for and \$5.77 billion in rehabilitation costs for completed projects. Since 1977, the historic preservation federal tax incentives have generated a total of \$102.64 billion in estimated rehabilitation investment in 45,383 projects.

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### **Conferences / Workshops / Events**

**Please check with the organizations listed below for any cancellations or rescheduling of events.**

**SC Archives & History Foundation Spring Speaker Series**, Columbia. The SC Archives and History Foundation is hosting a spring speaker series at the SC Archives & History Center. For more information and to register visit <https://scarchivesandhistoryfoundation.org/2019/12/30/spring-speaker-series-2020/>.

**Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission**. The Commission has posted a list of [programs through June 2020 here](#), including film screenings, research workshops, book talks, living history, and arts events.

**National Preservation Institute Seminars**. The National Preservation Institute (NPI) has scheduled several seminars in the Southeast in the first half of 2020:

- [The Secretary of the Interior's Standards: Treatment Considerations](#), April 21-22, 2020, Richmond, VA
- [Conflict Management and Negotiation Skills for Cultural and Natural Resource Managers](#), May 5-7, 2020, Mount Vernon, VA

For more information about NPI seminars and registration visit <https://www.npi.org/seminars>.

**15<sup>th</sup> Annual Native American Studies Week, March 20-26, 2020, Lancaster.** **The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Native American Studies Week is being postponed until a later date.** The exhibits and galleries remain open for the public at this

time. For more information call 803-313-7172, email: [usclnasp@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:usclnasp@mailbox.sc.edu) or visit: <http://sc.edu/lancaster/nas>.

**Alliance for Historic Landscape Preservation**, April 2-4, 2020, Natchitoches, LA. The Alliance for Historic Landscape Preservation is an inter-disciplinary professional organization dedicated to the conservation of historic cultural landscapes in all their variety, from formal gardens and public parks to vernacular urban and rural environments. Information about the annual meeting is at [this link](#).

**Landmark Conference**, April 16-18, 2020, Charleston. Sponsored by the SC Confederation of Local Historical Societies, the theme of the conference is Charleston – *350 Years of Change*. The Conference schedule and the registration form are on the [Conference web page](#).

**Vernacular Architecture Forum 2020 Conference**, May 6-10, 2020, San Antonio, TX. The conference theme is "Landscapes of Succession", and features tours, paper sessions, workshops and special events. Visit <http://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org/conference>.

**National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers**, May 11-15, 2020. **The conference is being postponed until a later date.** Please contact Dr. Valerie Grussing at [valerie@nathpo.org](mailto:valerie@nathpo.org) or 202-628-8476 for additional information.

**Main Street Now Conference**, May 18-20, 2020, Dallas, TX. Celebrate 40 years of community redevelopment and reinvestment, focus on strategic areas of growth, network with peers, find solutions to common problems, and discover innovative techniques and tools to help your community thrive. Visit <https://www.mainstreet.org/howwecanhelp/mainstreetnow>.

**Archaeological Prospection Workshop**, May 18-22, 2020, Monroe County, IA. The workshop focuses on the use of geophysical, aerial photography, and other remote sensing methods as they apply to the identification, evaluation, conservation, and protection of archaeological resources across this Nation. It includes lectures on the theory of operation, methodology, processing, and interpretation with on-hands use of the equipment in the field. For further information contact Steven L. DeVore at 402-437-5392, [steve\\_de\\_vore@nps.gov](mailto:steve_de_vore@nps.gov).

**2020 Docomomo US National Symposium**, June 3-6, 2020, Chicago, IL. The symposium is the primary event in the United States for professionals to discuss and share efforts to preserve modern architecture. This event will showcase modern movement architecture in Chicago through tours and educational sessions. For more information <http://docomomo-us.org/events/national-symposium>.

**Association for Gravestone Studies 2020 Conference**, June 23-28, 2020, Austin, TX. The conference will include presentations, hands on activities, lectures, field trips to cemeteries, and a conservation workshop. **Applications for student scholarships are due March 31, 2020.** For more information visit <https://www.gravestonestudies.org/conferences>. Questions about proposals? Email: [AGSConfProposals@gmail.com](mailto:AGSConfProposals@gmail.com).

**National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Forum 2020**, July 22-26, 2020, Tacoma, WA. Forum is the only national conference focused on issues facing local historic preservation commissions and historic districts. The conference will offer dozens of educational sessions and discussion panels, mobile workshops and tours,

as well as networking for staff and volunteers representing local, state and national organizations and government agencies. For more information visit <http://napcommissions.org/forum/>.

**American Association of State and Local History Annual Meeting**, September 23-26, 2020, Las Vegas, NV. More information is available at <https://aaslh.org/2020annualmeeting/>.

**NEW SC Historic Preservation Conference**, September 25, 2020, SC Archives & History Center, Columbia. The 2020 Historic Preservation Conference scheduled for April 17 has been postponed and re-scheduled for September 25, 2020. Please mark your calendars and check the [conference website](#) for the updated details later in the summer. Questions? Contact Donna Foster at [dfoster@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:dfoster@scdah.sc.gov), 803-896-0339 or Elizabeth Johnson at [ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov), 803-896-6168.

**NEW Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians (SESAH) 2020 Annual Conference**, September 30–October 3, Natchez, MS. The conference will be co-hosted by the Historic Natchez Foundation, Natchez National Historical Park, and the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. For more information visit <https://sesah.org/2020-natchez-ms/>.

**8th National Forum on Historic Preservation Policy: A Critical Examination of Preservation & the 21st Century City**, October 9-10, 2020, New Orleans, LA. For more information visit <https://www.architecture.tulane.edu/event/2019/4203>.

**PastForward 2020 National Preservation Conference**, October 28-30, 2020, Miami, FL. With a focus on resilience and relevance, presenters will share case studies on resiliency planning, equitable development, and funding for preservation. For more information visit <https://savingplaces.org/conference#.Xj3duGhKiF4>. Online registration will open July 1.

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### Grant Application Deadlines

**April 22, 2020 National Fund for Sacred Places.** The National Trust for Historic Preservation has joined Partners for Sacred Places and the Lilly Endowment to establish the National Fund for Sacred Places. Through the National Fund, Partners for Sacred Places provides planning grants, technical assistance, and capacity-building support, while the National Trust provides preservation expertise and capital grants up to \$250,000 to help congregations restore and preserve historic places of worship. **Letters of Intent are due April 22.** For more information visit <https://fundforsacredplaces.org/>

**April 30, 2020 FY 2020 Historic Preservation Fund Grants.** Applications and instructions for the FY 2020 Historic Preservation Grants are available at <https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/grants>. Administered by the SHPO, the matching grants can assist two types of projects: Survey and Planning and Stabilization. Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Survey and Planning Project. Local governments, non-profits and institutions located in a CLG community may also apply for a Stabilization Project. At least ten percent of the state's annual allocation from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. Grant awards generally range from \$2,500 to \$35,000. For more information contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or [bsauls@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:bsauls@scdah.sc.gov).

**June 30, 2020 American Battlefield Protection Program Land Acquisition Grants.** The National Park Service (NPS) makes available funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to help States and local communities acquire and preserve threatened Revolutionary War, War of 1812, and Civil War Battlefields. The Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants are administered by the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) and awarded through a competitive process. For more information visit <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/battlefields/battlefield-land-acquisition-grant-program.htm>.

**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
- [Foundation Center](#) Foundation Directory Online

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