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Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation - Fall Preservation Lyceum - October 31 - November 1

Last chance to register for the Fall Preservation Lyceum in Historic Eufaula. Explore first-hand one of Alabama's most historic towns under imminent threat to the city's historic streetscapes. For background information, see

Alabama Heritage magazine <http://www.alabamaheritage.com/current-issue.html>, "Places in Peril," Dr. Michael Panhorst. For Lyceum program and registration, visit www.alabamatrust.info, call 205-652-3497 or email alabamatrust@athp.org.

National Trust For Historic Preservation Conference - November 11- 14

Register now for the 2014 National Trust for Historic Preservation Conference, a collaboration between the NTHP and the Savannah College of Art and Design in partnership with the Historic Savannah Foundation. To register or for more information, visit www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/npc/.

Digital Conference Hosted by Alabama Department of Archives & History - November 19 - 21

For historic collections, *Creating Connections*, a conference about best practices for managing digital collections. For more information or to register, email christine.garrett@archives.alabama.gov.

2015 Preservation Roundtable - February 6

Share the news and mark calendars now to attend the 3rd Annual Preservation Roundtable and Luncheon - a Summit meeting focusing on plans for the Alabama Bicentennial, 2017 - 2019. Explore and imagine what role your organization can play in celebrating Alabama's 200th anniversary as a U.S. Territory (1817) and State (1819). Location: Alabama Department of Archives and History, Montgomery. Date: Friday, February 6, 2015. Time: TBA. To receive information about the Preservation Roundtable/Bicentennial Summit, send name of organization, contact person and email address to alabamatrust@athp.org.

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES



National Leadership Grants for Museums

The Institute of Museums and Library Services (IMLS) offers grants for projects that address current and future needs of the museum field and that have the potential to advance practice in the profession. Sixteen grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$500,000 for up to three years will be awarded.

Deadline: December 1, 2014

Website: <http://www.ims.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=22>

Museums for America

IMLS also awards grants to strengthen a museum's ability to serve the public more effectively by supporting high-priority activities that advance the institution's mission and strategic goals. Grant amounts will range from \$5,000 to \$150,000 for a period of up to three years. The average award is \$110,000; 190 awards are anticipated for this program.

Deadline: December 1, 2014

Website: <http://www.ims.gov/applicants/mfa.aspx>

Our Town

The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) supports creative place-making grants that contribute towards the livability of communities and help transform them into lively, beautiful and resilient places with the arts at their core. Historic theatres are eligible as arts venues. The NEA anticipates funding five grants at one of six funding levels: \$25,000; \$50,000; \$75,000; \$100,000; \$150,000; or \$200,000.

Deadline: December 15, 2014

Website: <http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/introduction>

Events

BARBOUR COUNTY



Friday, October 31 - Saturday, November 1 - Fall Preservation Lyceum

Join the Alabama Trust for this fall weekend in "one of the most beautiful cities of the South" and home to the Alabama's oldest annual pilgrimage of historic homes and places. The Preservation Lyceum weekend will explore some of the history of the Chattahoochee Valley and current threats to Eufaula's historic heritage. For more information, visit

www.alabamatrust.info/. To register, call 205-652-3497 or email alabamatrust@athp.org.

Saturday, November 29, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Fendall Hall Christmas Open House

Experience period furnishings and holiday decorations in this Alabama antebellum Italianate-style house. Home interiors interpret the late Victorian Era. Location: 917 West Barbour Street, Eufaula. For admission fees and information, visit <http://preserveala.org/fendellhall.aspx>.

DALLAS COUNTY

Friday, October 31 - Saturday, November 1 - Common Threads

Program and workshop for the education, promotion and presentation of Alabama quilting heritage and master quilters. Event includes presentations by authors Agnes Pool and Frazine Taylor. Times: Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - Noon. Location: Carneal Building, Water Avenue and Church Street, Selma. Admission: Free, funding provided by the National Endowment for the Arts. Sponsors: Alabama Folklife Association, a program of the Alabama State Council on the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information, visit www.alabamafolklife.org or email alabamafolklife@att.net.

Saturday, November 1, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. - Old Cahawba Cemetery Tour

Take this walking tour of Old Cahawba's three cemeteries and explore the personal sagas of those who lived in one of Alabama's oldest towns. Learn Cahawba's history from the antebellum elite, to Union Army prisoners of war, to the early African-Americans to Alabama. Location: Old Cahawba Archeological Park, 9518 Cahaba Road, Orrville. For admission and information, visit www.cahawba.com or email cahawba@bellsouth.net.

DEKALB COUNTY

Friday, October 31 - Saturday, November 1 - Exhibition *Sacred Sounds of Alabama*

Exhibition about Alabama's sacred harp heritage, a deeply rooted musical tradition of Alabama. Location: Historic Fort Payne Coal and Iron Building, corner of 5th Street and Gault Avenue, Fort Payne. Admission: Free. Sponsors: Alabama Humanities Foundation, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities; Alabama Center for Traditional Culture, a program of Alabama State Council on the Arts; Big Wills Arts Council; City of Fort Payne; and the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information, visit www.alabamafolklife.org or email alabamafolklife@att.net.

ELMORE COUNTY

Wednesday, November 5 - Sunday, November 9, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Alabama Frontier Days

Living history specialists, in period costume, demonstrate many frontier trades and crafts of life on the southern frontier from 1700 - 1820. Location: Fort Toulouse/Jackson, 2521 West Fort Toulouse Road, Wetumpka. Admission: Free. For teacher and student groups, reservations recommended. Sponsor: Alabama Historical Commission. For reservations and more information, visit www.forttoulousejackson.org or call 334-567-3002.

JEFFERSON COUNTY



Wednesday, October 2 - Friday, November 7 - *From Water to Watts, 100 Years at Lay Dam*

Visit this special exhibition, which features artifacts and images highlighting the centennial anniversary of Lay Dam, Alabama Power Company's and Alabama's first large-scale hydroelectric plant. The exhibition is open to the public from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. Location: Alabama Power Company, 600 18th Street, N., Birmingham. Admission:

Free. Sponsor: Corporate Archives, Alabama Power Company. For the history of Lay Dam, visit <http://alabamapowernews.com/2014/06/24/preserving-the-history-and-memories-of-lay-dam/>.

LEE COUNTY

Friday, November 6 - Saturday, November 7 - Common Threads

Program and workshop for the education, promotion and presentation of Alabama quilting heritage and master quilters. Event includes the works of NEA Heritage Artist Mozell Benson and a keynote presentation by quilt collector, author and scholar Dr. Maude Wahlman, Professor of Global Arts, University of Missouri-Kansas City. Location: TBA, Auburn. Free, funding provided by the National Endowment for the Arts. Sponsors: Alabama Folklife Association, a program of the Alabama State Council on the Arts; the National Endowment for the Arts; and the Women's Resource Center, Auburn University. For more information, visit www.alabamafolklife.org or email alabamafolklife@att.net.

MADISON COUNTY

Saturday, November 1 - Ticket Sales Open for Annual Historic Mooresville Holiday Home Tour & Progressive Dinner

Residents of Alabama's oldest incorporated town, open their doors to the 1818 village of Mooresville for a holiday tour of six private homes and a holiday progressive dinner. Dinner

begins with salad in the Mooresville's old Brick Church and ends with dessert and coffee in Peebles' Barn. Date: Saturday, December 13. Tour: 2:00 - 7:00 p.m. Dinner: 3:30 for 4:30 p.m. seating; 5:00 for 6:00 p.m. seating. Location: Historic Mooresville. Reservations Required: \$65 per person. Proceeds benefit Historic Mooreville. To make reservations, visit www.mooresvilleal.com or call 256-355-2683.

MONROE COUNTY



Thursday, November 6 - Saturday, November 8 - Pioneer Days & Cane Syrup Makin'

Interactive learning experiences for teaching Alabama history offered to teachers and students on Thursday and Friday (see NEWS for EDUCATORS below) and to the public on Saturday. Events include hands-on historical experiences, such as washing clothes; making yarn and baskets; playing old-timey instruments and more. Mac, the mule, pulls the mill stone for grinding sugarcane for cane syrup and fresh corn for cornmeal. *Rikard's Mill Cane syrup available for purchase on Saturday only. One jar per customer.* Location: Rikard's Mill Historical Park, Beatrice. Admission: \$5 per person. Sponsor: Monroe County Heritage Museum. For times and more information, contact the Monroe County Heritage Museum at mchm@frontiernet.net or 251-575-7433 or Rikard's Mill at 575-789-2781.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Saturday, November 8, 1:00 p.m. - Curator's Tour Museum of Alabama

"Alabama & World War I" with Graham Neeley, Collections Curator. During the Veteran's Day weekend, explore Alabama's participation in WWI, 100 years after the start of the conflict. No pre-registration for Curator Tours is required. Location: Farley Auditorium, Alabama Department of Archives and History, 624 Washington Avenue, Montgomery. Admission: Free. Sponsor: Alabama Department of Archives and History. For more information, visit www.archives.alabama.gov.

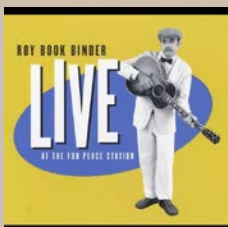
Thursday, November 13 - Friday, November 14, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. - State Capital Holiday Open House

The annual holiday open house and book signing, a favorite Alabama event featuring Alabama books, food and art. Sip mulled wine and nibble on holiday cookies. Free tours of the Alabama State Capital at 9:00 and 1:00 a.m. and 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. Location: Goat Hill Gift Store, Alabama State Capital, 600 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/pages/Goat-Hill-Museum-Store.

Thursday, November 20, Noon - 1:00 p.m. - Architreasures: Food for Thought Lecture

Presentation "Alabama National Forest, 1914 - 1936" by Robert Pasquill, forest archeologist and author of *The Civilian Conservation Corps in Alabama, 1933-1942*, among other books. Location: Farley Auditorium, Alabama Department of Archives and History, 624 Washington Avenue, Montgomery. Admission: Free. Sponsors: Friends of the Alabama Archives and the Alabama Humanities Foundation, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information, visit www.archives.alabama.gov.

SUMTER COUNTY



Friday, November 21, 7:00 p.m. - Sucarnochee Revue

Join The Sucarnochee Revue live stage show, "Rag Time Guitar Hero," with host Jacky Jack White and special guests. The show offers a multi-artist package with a wide range of musical styles including internationally acclaimed Roy Book Binder, a master of the ragtime guitar and one of folk music's best story tellers. Location: Bibb Graves Auditorium, University of West Alabama, Livingston. Admission: \$10. Sponsors: Center for the Study of the Black Belt, University of West Alabama. For more information, visit www.jackyjack.com or call 205-499-9988.

WILCOX COUNTY

Saturday, November 29, 9:00 a.m. - 19th Annual Hunter Appreciation Day

Join this fall gathering to enjoy stories and tales of hunting in Alabama's Black Belt, *Alabama In the Making* exhibition and heritage arts and crafts of the region. Activities include a parade, live music, good food and the Big Buck contest. Location: Historic Downtown, Pine Apple. Admission: Free. Sponsors: Alabama Folklife Association, Black Belt Heritage Area and Pine Apple Promotions. For more information, visit www.pineapplealabama.com/index.htm.

News

PRESERVATION NEWS



Alabama Power Celebrates Historic Lay Dam

Alabama Power celebrated the 100th anniversary of Lay Dam with events bringing members of the corporate community and former residents of the Lay Dam village. In addition to the *From Water to Watts, 100 Years at Lay Dam* exhibition at its corporate headquarters in Birmingham, Alabama Power has recorded oral history interviews with surviving residents of who, as children, lived in the village for Lay Dam where their parents worked. As part of the Lay Dam Centennial Anniversary, two existing village structures were restored to add to the historic assets interpreting the history of Alabama Power and the State of Alabama.

Alabama Public Television Features State's Folk Traditions

Journey Proud continues Sunday, November 16 at 6:00 and 6:30 p.m. with episodes *Guadalupe Celebration* and *Gourd Houses*. Produced by Alabama Public Television and hosted by Joey Brackner, the director for the Alabama Center for Traditional Culture, *Journey Proud* is a documentary series about Alabama's historic folkways and current day practitioners. Episodes repeat on Monday, November 17 at 10:00 and 10:30 p.m. For more information and to view previous episodes, visit www.aptv.org/series/1915/Journey-Proud/.

From the River's View - Paddling Along the Historic Cahaba Waters

From its Trussville headwaters to its confluence at Old Cahawba, Alabama's first state capital, the Cahaba River touches some of the state's endangered species and important historic sites - all to be viewed by canoe while paddling the river. Sunday, November 2 will see the first **Cahaba Classic River Race** sponsored by the Cahaba River Society and Old Cahawba State Archeological Park. Teeming with wildlife, sections of the river take travelers by historic Indian towns and early Alabama homesites. For more information, visit www.cahawba.com, www.cahabariversociety.org or <http://alabamaliving.coop/article/cahaba-river-race/>.

NEWS FOR EDUCATORS

SCHOOL RESOURCES FOR TEACHING ALABAMA HISTORY!

Online Educational Resources Teach Alabama's Traditional Folk Culture

Journey Proud, a nine-episode documentary series about Alabama's folkways and folk practitioners, offers teachers online resources to accompany the on-air episodes and a Q&A query site to pose questions to folklife experts. November episodes airing Sunday the 16th and Monday the 17th feature *Guadalupe Celebration* and *Gourd Houses*, a native Alabama tradition. Previous episodes are available for video streaming at <http://video.aptv.org/program/journey-proud/> with related educational resources as well at <http://iqlearnonline.org/course/view.php?id=138>. *Journey Proud* is a joint production of Alabama Public Television in concert with the Alabama

State Council on the Arts.

Monroe County Heritage Museum Offers Servers Students and Teachers Interactive Learning Experience in History

For teachers and students statewide Rikard's Mill, a restored 1845 grist mill in Beatrice, offers interactive learning with hands-on historical experiences: washing clothes; making yarn and baskets; playing old -timey instruments and more. Mac, the mule, pulls the mill stone for grinding sugar for cane syrup and fresh corn for cornmeal. Students lend a hand to candle makers and watch the local blacksmith hammer raw metals into handy tools. Reserved for school trips, Thursday, November 6 - Friday, November 7; 9:00 a.m. - noon; \$5 per student, teachers/chaperones free. For more information, schedule a field trip, or reserve a space for a class, contact education director, Wanda Green, at 251-575-8168 or email mchm@frontiernet.net.



Project C: Lessons from the American Civil Rights Movement - November 13

Produced by Alabama Public Television for middle and high school classes studying history, civics and government, the live, Web-interactive Episode 4 will feature the relationship between civic actions by ordinary citizens in Alabama to the 1964 Civil Rights Act. Episode 4 will be webcast on November 13 at 10:00 a.m. and noon. For more information or to register

for the webcast, visit www.aptv.org/Project-C/index.asp.

SHARE PRESERVATION NEWS AND STORIES STATEWIDE

Send Event Information and News Stories to the ATHP

Email information for the December issue of the *Preservation e-Newsletter* by November 20 to alabamatrust@athp.org. Please mark as Attention: E-News.

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