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ALERTS

2018 Board of Directors, Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation

Members of the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation are eligible to nominate directors of the organization. An e-ballot for nominations will be posted by October 13, 2017. Members may nominate individuals through November 15, 2017.



2018 Places in Peril

Is there an irreplaceable historic building or site in your area that is threatened by demolition or neglect? This is your opportunity to help save it! Places in Peril, a joint program of the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation and the Alabama Historical Commission, annually recognizes Alabama's most endangered historic resources. Each submission will be evaluated for its significance and threat. Please provide clear photographs of the site. Nominations will not be considered without at least one visual representation. To nominate a site, go to www.alabamatrust.info and click on the 2018 PIP link. **Deadline for nominations: March 30, 2018.**



2017 Alabama Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program

A 25% refundable tax credit available for private homeowners and owners of income-producing properties who substantially rehabilitate historic properties of 60 years or more are listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. For information about the three-part application process, visit the Alabama Historical Commission at <http://ahc.alabama.gov/alabamarehabetaxcredits.aspx> or contact Taylor Stewart, 334-230-2643 or Taylor.Stewart@ahc.alabama.gov.

ANNOUNCEMENTS for TEACHERS

AHF-NEH Institute for Teachers - Summer 2018 - The Stoney Road We Trod - Inquire Now

The Alabama Humanities Foundation, through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, will host a national teachers' institute *The Stoney Road We Trod* exploring Alabama's civil rights legacy. The summer 2018 marks the first time an extended, intensive institute of this kind will be offered. Spanning three weeks, teachers will hear from civil rights leaders and examine the legacy of the Civil Rights Movement with some of the country's leading scholars- all within the context of key places in America's civil rights history. To learn more about the institute, visit www.stonytheroad.org. To apply, visit www.stonytheroad.org/how-to-apply.

The Alabama History Education Materials Collection

For educators, the collection features instructional activities and lesson plans that were created from the collections of the Alabama Department of Archives and History. The materials cover topics in Alabama History from the *First Alabamians* to the modern *Civil Rights Movement* and

more. Materials are downloadable, printable, and free to use. To learn more about the collection's resources, visit <http://digital.archives.alabama.gov/cdm/landingpage/collection/lessons>.



Making Alabama - A Bicentennial Traveling Exhibit

This Alabama Bicentennial traveling exhibition celebrates Alabama's commonalities and honors our individualities. During October the exhibition will be on display at the following locations: Ashland Public Library, Ashland; Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, Tusculmbia; Greensboro Opera House, Greensboro; and Solomon Memorial Library, Headland. For specific dates and times, visit www.makingalabama.org/.

HOLD THE DATE

6th Annual Preservation Roundtable & Luncheon - January 18, 2018 - Hold the Date

Mark calendars now for the 6th Preservation Roundtable and Luncheon. All who are interested in preserving Alabama's historic places, artifacts and culture are welcome to attend this one-day event. Please forward suggested topics of interest to the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation at alabamatrust@athp.org. Location: Alabama Department of Archives and History, 624 Washington Avenue, Montgomery. Sponsors: Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation, Alabama Bicentennial Commission; Alabama Department of Archives and History.



Fall into Folklife Symposium and Expo - November 17 & 18 - Hold the Date & Register Now

Mark calendars now for the Fall into Folklife Symposium and Expo. All who are interested in preserving Alabama's historic places, artifacts and culture are welcome to attend this two-day event. Session topics include Alabama's folk architecture and rural landscapes, Native American Folkways, Metal Arts, and more. Meet and experience Alabama's rich folk traditions and practicing artists at the expo. For schedule and to register online go to http://alabamafolklife.homestead.com/FIF-2017.html?_id=1506534067225 Location: University of West Alabama campus, Lyon Hall & Julia Tutwiler Conference Center Sponsors: Alabama Folklife Association and UWA's Division of Economic Development and Outreach. The Symposium is funded in part by the Alabama Humanities Foundation, a statewide affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The Expo is funded in part by the "Support the Arts" Car Tag and the Alabama State Council on the Arts (ASCA) as well as monies provided to AFA and ASCA through the National Endowment for the Arts.

EVENTS

Baldwin County



Wednesday, October 18, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. - Who Haunts the Fort?

A guided tour by a historical interpreter of the known deaths and burials at Mobile point from 1813-1910. Tour limited to 100 people. Bring your own flashlights. Tickets: \$12 per person. To pre-purchase tickets, call 251-540-7127. Location: Fort Morgan State Historic Site Museum, 51 AL-180, Gulf Shores.

Dallas County

Saturdays, October 21 & 28, 7:00 - 10:30 p.m. - Old Cahawba Haunted History Tours

Alabama's most famous ghost town is rarely open to nighttime visitors, but on these select Saturdays evenings guests will be transported by wagon around the park to Old Cahawba's most haunted locations for authenticated stories of hauntings and, with the Alabama Paranormal Research group, ghost hunting. Tour Times: 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30 & 9:00 p.m. Tour length: 90 minutes. Some walking necessary. Recommended for ages 12 and up. Admission: \$20 per person. Location: Old Cahawba Archaeological Park, 9518 Cahaba Road, Orrville. For more information and tickets, call 334-872-8058 or visit www.cahawba.com .

Hale County

Saturdays, October 14 - 28, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - The Witch of Historic Magnolia Grove

Every Saturday during the month of October the Witch of Magnolia Grove will be available for photographs with children. Bring personal camera or cell phone. Price: \$2 per child. Proceeds benefit Historic Magnolia Grove. Location: Historic Magnolia Grove, 1002 Hobson Street, Greensboro. For more information, call 334-624-8618.

Marengo County



Thursday, October 12, 6 p.m. - Thank you Mr. Rosenwald

Susan Webb, a one-room school historian and America's Traveling Schoolmarn will engage the audience in a one-room school reenactment featuring a chapter from the history of Alabama education and African-American education in the South and the Rosenwald Schools in Marengo County at the Marengo County & Archives Museum. The event is free. Marengo County History & Archives Museum, Rosenbush Building, 101 N.

Walnut Street, Demopolis. For more information, call 334-289-0599.

Montgomery County

Wednesday, October 11, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. - Book Talk

Getting Out of the Mud: The Alabama Good Roads Movement and Highway Administration presented by scholar and author Dr. Martin T. Olliff. *Getting Out of the Mud* recounts the story of the Good Roads Movement and early twentieth-century progressivism in Alabama. Olliff explores how Alabamians overcame strained resources and significant political obstacles to build a modern road system. Martin Olliff is a professor of history and the director of the Wiregrass Archives at Troy University, Dothan Campus. His edited volume, *The Great War in the Heart of Dixie: Alabama in World War I*, was published in 2008 by the University of Alabama Press. Admission: Free. Location: Alabama Department of Archives and History, 624 Washington Ave., Montgomery. Sponsors: The Alabama Department of Archives and History; Alabama Humanities Foundation, a program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information, visit www.archives.alabama.gov.



Sunday, October 15, 2:00 p.m. - Discovery Sundays

Preview the forthcoming Equal Justice Initiative's Memorial to Peace and Justice. When completed, the memorial will honor those who died as a result of being lynching from 1877 to 1950. The preview event includes the museum that explores the legacy of slavery in the U.S and the link to contemporary American life. Admission: Free to the public.

Location: Meet Front Door, Equal Justice Initiative Building, 122 Commerce Street, Montgomery. For more information, visit <https://eji.org/national-lynching-memorial>.

Thursday, October 19, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. - Food for Thought Lecture Series

Dr. Christopher Haveman presents the Creek Indian Removal from Alabama - the emigration, relocation, and removal of over 23,000 Creek Indians from Alabama and Georgia between 1825 and 1836. Haveman, an assistant professor of history at the University of West Alabama, holds graduate degrees from Marquette and Auburn universities. His scholarship is focused extensively on the history of southeastern Native American tribes, and he is the author of *Rivers of Sand: Creek Indian Emigration, Relocation, and Ethnic Cleansing in the American South* (University of Nebraska Press, 2016) and *Bending Their Way Onward: The Creek Indians and the Long Journey West* (University of Nebraska Press, 2017). Admission: Free. Location: Alabama Department of Archives and History, 624 Washington Avenue, Montgomery. Sponsors: The Alabama Department of Archives and History; Alabama Humanities Foundation, a program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information, visit www.archives.alabama.gov.



Saturday, October 28, 8:30 a.m. - Trekking Through the Past

Walk through history with Mary Ann and Collier Neeley. Explore and learn about Montgomery's oldest, documented burials in Historic Oakwood Cemetery where some graves are identified and others are to wonder about. Recommended, comfortable clothes and shoe and bottle of water. Admission: Members of the Landmarks Foundation of Montgomery, Free; Non-members \$10. Location: Main Gate, Oakwood Cemetery, 829 Columbus Street, Montgomery. Sponsors:

Landmarks Foundation of Montgomery and Ross Clayton Funeral Homes. For more information, call 334-240-4500. In case of rain, check www.facebook.com/LandmarksFoundationMgm for possible cancellations.

Monday, October 30, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Genealogy Workshop

Taught by the Alabama Archives reference/collections Nancy Dupree, *Untangling the Web: Finding Your Ancestors in Cyberspace* will provide valuable knowledge of the best websites, online resources and most effective genealogical search strategies to take your family history research to the next level. Dupree will provide instruction about how to use online resources including Ancestry.com and Fold3. This workshop is suited for all levels of research experience. Admission: Public, \$30 per registration; Friends of the Archives, \$20. Location: Alabama Department of Archives and History, 624 Washington Avenue, Montgomery. To register, visit www.archives.alabama.gov/press_release/Fall_GenealogyWorkshops.html.

Sumter County

Monday, October 9, 8 p.m. - Ghost walk

The University of West Alabama will host a walking ghost tour of Livingston led by Dr. Alan Brown, author of more than 30 ghostlore books. Meet at the Bell Conference Center at 8 p.m. located in the historic heart of the UWA campus. For more information, call Student Activities at 205-652-3400.

NEWS



Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Announces New Online Courses

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) offers new online courses to provide historic preservation professionals and stakeholders training in the use of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act to protect historic properties. Two courses cover the integration and coordination of Section 106 reviews within the National Environmental Policy Act's review process. Are policy changes at all levels of government responding to new ways to create efficiencies in regulatory processes and

advance infrastructure projects? is just one question to be examine.

A free online course, "What is Section 106?" for the public provides a broad overview of the Section 106 review process and the opportunities to play a role in such reviews. For more information, visit www.achp.gov/elearning.html. For up-to-date information from the Alabama Historical Commission, visit <http://ahc.alabama.gov/section106.aspx>.

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, headquartered in Washington, D.C., is an independent agency of the United States government that promotes the preservation, enhancement, and productive use of the nation's historic resources.



Historic Huntsville Foundation Prepares for Care of Historic Cemeteries

Excerpt with permission from the Historic Huntsville Foundation, Paying our Respects - The Preservation of our Historic Cemeteries

"Every historic place has meaning for those of us who care about the preservation of historic spaces, but there is something about an old cemetery that captures our imaginations and calls us to linger. Often, families are no longer nearby to tend these gravesites."

The Historic Huntsville Foundation believes every preservation community has a special role in protecting these sacred spaces. Acting on this belief, HHF and the City of Huntsville held a two-day Cemetery Conservation Workshop at Glenwood Cemetery, an African-American cemetery established by the City of Huntsville in 1870. The workshop, led by Jason Church, conservator with the National Park Service's Materials Conservation Program, provided education and training to members of the Huntsville-Madison County community interested in maintaining, restoring and researching the history of our historic cemeteries. During the workshop, Church noted that cemetery care had once been a touchstone of southern culture. Decoration Day was a red-letter day in church calendars and the gravesites of loved ones were frequently sites for family reunions. Graves sites and tombstones were regularly tended through these traditions.

To read the full article, visit www.historichuntsville.org/paying-respects-preservation-historic-cemeteries/. To learn more about Alabama's traditions of Decoration Day and Grave Shelters, visit www.journeyproudalabama.com. Episodes Decoration Day and Grave Houses.



Main Street Alabama launches third Main Street program in Alabama's Black Belt

Creating Jobs. Keeping Character.

Main Street Alabama has launched a third program in the Black Belt, Marion. Marion joins Selma and Monroeville as one of 21 Designated Communities in the state. The program was launched in June and their resource team visit is complete. The final presentation may be viewed at: <https://youtu.be/KkCzKaAlek8>.

SHARE PRESERVATION NEWS AND STORIES STATEWIDE

Send historic preservation announcements, events and news to the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation at alabamatrust@athp.org. Please submit information by October 20 for inclusion in the November issue of the Alabama Preservation E-Newsletter.



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