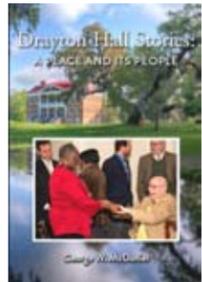


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# South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference 2023

**Friday, April 28, 2023**

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Join us for the South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference featuring a wide range of topics on South Carolina history, historic properties, and current historic preservation issues.

#### Conference Location:

**SC Archives & History Center - 8301 Parklane Road - Columbia, SC 29223**

The SC Archives & History Center is located near the intersection of I-20 and I-77. Find directions and a map at <https://scdah.sc.gov/about-us/how-find-us>. Free parking is available in the front and side parking lots.

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, April 28, 2023 Registration 8:30 – 9:00 AM

## SESSION 1: 9:00-9:45 AM

**The Value of Incentives in Downtown Revitalization \***  
Rob Wolfe with the Town of Cheraw and Jenny Boulware of Main Street SC, will explore the value of historic preservation incentives at the local level and their ability to encourage small scale historic preservation projects and larger redevelopment projects. The session will highlight the Town of Cheraw's use of façade grants, a local historic building rehabilitation grant, and the Bailey Bill (local property tax incentive) to promote the preservation of historic commercial properties. It will feature a local case study of a public-private partnership that demonstrates how even small public investments can have big impacts. State and federal tax programs will also be discussed along with an on-demand training program to help educate local leaders and developers on the potential value of tax incentives to projects.

## Come Back to the Land: An Exploration of African American Settlement Communities

Learn how researchers undertook a study of African American Settlement Communities on James and Johns Islands in response to public comments on the proposed Mark Clark Expressway expansion project. Sean Stucker and Renee' Donnell of New South Associates will share the steps they followed to gain a better understanding of the potentially affected communities and their families, histories, and geography, through oral history interviews and archival research. The resulting report is a collection of narratives and archival information combined with historic images, maps, and a "cultural atlas" of the identified communities. The session will include video clips from the oral histories and conclude with suggestions for future preservation.

## SESSION 2: 10:00-10:45 AM

### Preservation Blunders and How to Avoid Them \*

With a long history of preservation work in historic buildings, the staff of Bennett Preservation Engineering have seen a number of mistakes, and might have even made a few themselves. In this session they will share these experiences, showing examples of things that have not performed well, mistakes that have been made, and poor decisions by owners, designers, builders, and even historic review boards. Often these blunders are subtle and may not present themselves for many years after the fact. They will focus on how things can be done correctly, and hope to share the lessons they have learned.

### Introduction to South Carolina's American Revolution 250<sup>th</sup> Commission

The mission of the 250<sup>th</sup> Commission is to celebrate and promote South Carolina's role in the American Revolution by educating, engaging, and inspiring South Carolinians and visitors. Molly Fortune, Executive Director, and Heather Hawkins, Grants Manager, will introduce the vision, mission and goals of the Commission and how they relate to each community, county, and the state. As part of the presentation, learn about how to become involved and about the grants that are available to assist a wide range of projects.

## SESSION 3: 11:00-11:45 AM

### Unlocking Access to Federal Funds: The Secrets Behind Good Grant Applications \*

In this nuts-and-bolts session, Megan Brown and Katherine Carey of the National Park Service (NPS) will describe the 8 NPS competitive grant programs (with over \$83 million in funding) and walk attendees through the steps to successfully apply for these funds. Barb Habegger of the Edisto Island Open Land Trust, a recent South Carolina grant awardee, will share their experience with the African American Civil Rights grant program. The session will include collaborative strategies for organizations with limited capacity and how they can unleash their potential by working with an experienced partner for financial guidance. Attendees will leave with a strong familiarity with grant programs available through the NPS State, Tribal, and Local Plans and Grants Division, the ability to register for all federal grants through SAM.gov, and skills to research Grants.gov and enroll in grant notifications.

### Current Topics in Preservation Education Research

Students in the Clemson University Graduate Program in Historic Preservation will share research on a wide range of topics in a series of fast-paced presentations, from technical preservation to policy issues to historic research in the Lowcountry and beyond. Jon Marcoux, director, or Amalia Leifeste, associate professor with the program, will serve as the moderator.

### Archives Tour

Curious about how to do research at the Archives & History Center? Take a behind-the-scenes tour of the archives, and get tips on how to conduct research in the collections. Meet in the Lobby.

## LUNCH: 12:00-1:00 PM

Lunch will be served in the Proprietor's Hall outside of the meeting rooms and auditorium. Seating will be available in the meeting rooms and lobby areas. Weather permitting, seating will also be available outside in the garden.

## SESSION 4: 1:00-1:45 PM

### Uncovering the Cemetery at McLeod Plantation: What We Know, What We Are Learning, Why It Matters

Since opening in 2015, McLeod Plantation Historic Site, operated by the Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission, has radically shifted the traditional plantation narrative to one that honors, uplifts, and dignifies the individuals who lived, loved and died on the property. The seven-acre cemetery directly across the street holds stories of the enslaved, the indigenous, men of the military, women, children and some people whose names will probably never be recovered because the cemetery was also used as a burial site for the indigent. Toby Smith, Cultural Historic Interpretation Coordinator for the Commission will share information about work being done at the cemetery to recover these complicated narratives.

### Reconsidering Modernism in Historic Charleston

The Modernist movement is not typically associated with Charleston, a city steeped in 18<sup>th</sup>-and 19<sup>th</sup>-century history. This session will discuss why Modernism struggled to take hold in the Holy City and how Modernist architects ultimately overcame negative perceptions of Modern architecture. Caroline Wilson of Ryan LLC and Lauren Fowler-Ellis, an independent consultant, will highlight several sites on the Charleston Peninsula, with a special focus on local architects Augustus Constantine, a Greek born architect who played a substantial part in shaping Charleston's 20<sup>th</sup> century built environment, and Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr., an African American contractor and architect who played a pivotal role in bringing Modernism to the city and later in historic preservation.

## SESSION 5: 2:00-2:45 PM

### Good Maintenance Turns Tall Preservation Challenge: Stabilizing the Iconic Tower of Hightower Hall \*

Hear how a plan to paint the 1854 Hightower Hall at Historic Brattonville, an open-air living history museum in York County, turned into a four-year project to address advanced wood decay in major structural members of the tower. Joseph C. Mester and Sara Johnson will share how they assessed the damage and designed the scope of work. Craftsmen were able to preserve the traditional joinery while adding modern materials to ensure the longevity of repairs.

### Know Your State and Make It Known: An Introduction to the South Carolina Historical Marker Program

Established in 1936, the South Carolina Historical Marker Program is administered by the SC Department of Archives & History and is one of the oldest state marker programs in the country. Since the program's beginning, nearly 2,000 markers have been approved by SCDAH and erected across the state by local sponsoring organizations, bringing attention to places, events, people, and topics important to South Carolina history. Dr. Edwin Breeden, marker program coordinator, will provide a brief overview of the program including its history, criteria, the application process, and potential value for preservationists as well as educators.

## SESSION 6: 3:00-3:45 PM

### Documenting an Historic Church Cemetery in Beaufort

Staff of the Savannah River Archaeological Research Program (SRARP) were contacted in early 2020 to aid in a ground penetrating radar (GPR) survey of the cemetery at the Wesley United Methodist Church in Beaufort. The historic African American congregation was aware that their cemetery's history extended to the 1830s and were concerned that it could no longer sustain new burials. The session will be led by George Wingard and Brian Milner and will include the video "Death Rides on Every Passing Breeze: A Ground Penetrating Radar Survey of the Wesley United Method Church" created by the SRARP about the church and how the GPR survey was conducted.

### Historic Preservation: The Art of Making a Difference in South Carolina's Smaller Communities \*

Today in many of the state's rural communities, stylish buildings and pleasing squares remain, but the once bustling

and vibrant shops, restaurants, and hotels are now empty. City leaders are now wondering: Where do we go from here? How do we revitalize our town? Board members and the staff of Preservation South Carolina will share "real-life" examples of using historic preservation to help revitalize these communities, looking beyond tax incentives and grants or bricks and mortar. Hear how they addressed questions like: How is this landmark part of the greater community? Can this fuller and more inclusive story help shape a city's future?

## MISSION STATEMENT

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## SAVE THE DATE for these upcoming SC Archives & History Foundation events:

March 18, 2023: Illicit Pleasures: Colorful Stories of South Carolina's Sometimes Scandalous Past

September 21, 2023: 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Preserving Historic Cemeteries Workshop

November 19, 2023: 5<sup>th</sup> Annual American Revolution Symposium

For more information:  
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