



Museums in Partnership

NEWSLETTER

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Registration now open

Society of NC Archivists Spring meeting in Durham

The Society of North Carolina Archivists is celebrating its 25th Anniversary with its Spring 2009 Meeting at Duke University in Durham, March 11-13. Registration is now open, and program and registration materials are available online at www.ncarchivists.org/meetings/newmeet.html.

You may register for the meeting via the mail or online using PayPal. In order to be more environmentally friendly, SNCA no longer sends registration packets through the mail.

SNCA understands that the economy is taking a toll on everyone and hopes that people will still be able to attend the meeting. There are special rates for students. SNCA will be awarding the C. David Jackson Memorial Meeting Scholarship for this meeting. Please visit www.ncarchivists.org/awards/jackson.html for details. Application deadline is February 20.

The meeting is Friday, March 13. On Wednesday and Thursday, there are pre-conference workshops. Author and historian David Cecelski, Ph.D., will be Opening Plenary Speaker. He will discuss his soon-to-be-published biography of Abraham Galloway, a slave and abolitionist originally from Southport, NC.

Direct questions to Adina L. Riggins, UNC-W Archivist, Randall Library, UNC-W, 601 S. College Rd., Wilmington, NC 28403-5616, email rigginsa@uncw.edu, telephone (910) 962-4233.

Program

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11. Workshop:

9:00am-5:00pm: MARC According to DACS: Archival Cataloging to the National Content Standard

THURSDAY, MARCH 12. Concurrent Workshops:

1. 9:00am-5:00pm: Workshop: MARC According to DACS, continued (see above)
2. 9:00am-5:00pm: Workshop: Photographic Formats: Identification and Preservation for Archival Processing
3. 9:00am-5:00pm: Electronic Records: Principles and Practice

FRIDAY, MARCH 13. Opening Plenary and 3 Sessions:

9:15-10:30am: "Love in the Archives: A Historian's Journey through America's Great Libraries,"

1. 11:00am-12:00pm: Project Update: Endeca EAD Task Group
2. 1:30pm-3:00pm: SNCA at 25: A Presidential Perspective
3. 3:15pm-4:45pm: The Sky is NOT Falling: How to Keep Your Institution Afloat in a Bad Economy

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Friends of Mountain History (FOMH) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization supporting museums, heritage organizations, and cultural and heritage-related programs in twenty-five counties in Western North Carolina.

Museums in Partnership (MIP), which is supported by FOMH, is a new resource for museum professionals. Museums, historic sites, and heritage-related organizations in twenty-five counties of Western N.C. receive advocacy, educational support, and financial assistance as well as the MIP Newsletter, which includes announcements and updates from the region and informal sharing of ideas through networking. There are no dues for MIP membership, and communications are via electronic media. MIP welcomes nonprofit organizations that collect, interpret, preserve, and exhibit some aspect of Western North Carolina's culture and heritage.

CALL FOR ARTICLES ABOUT YOUR SITE

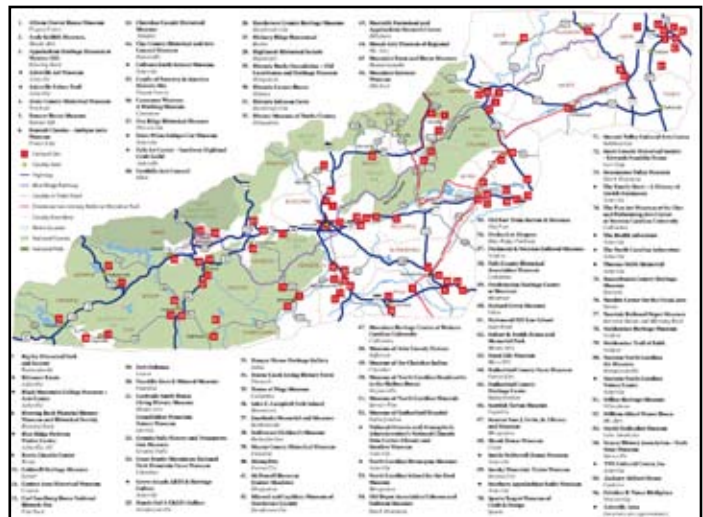


Museums, historic sites, and heritage-related organizations in the 25-county region of Western North Carolina served by FOMH are encouraged to share their news, announcements, and photographs of their programs and resources through our newsletter. Please email articles, photographs, or event listings to Ran Shaffner at highlandshistory@nctv.com for publication in a subsequent issue of the newsletter.

For a monthly listing of **MUSEUM CALENDARS OF EVENTS** during 2009, visit the Friends of Mountain History website at www.fomhnc.org or here at www.fomhnc.org/calendarofevents.php.

2009 Museum Guide and Map Now Available Online

The new 2009 Western North Carolina Museum Guide is now available for download from the Friends of Mountain History website or from here at www.fomhnc.org/FOMH2009Guide.pdf. Also available for download is the Museum Guide Map from here at www.fomhnc.org/FOMH2009Map.pdf, which locates the 86 cultural sites featured in the guide.





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Historic Preservation Resource Launched

Portland, Oregon – PreservationDirectory.com (www.preservationdirectory.com) the leading online historic preservation resource, has announced the launch of their new partner-website: HistoricForSale.com at www.historicforsale.com. The new website provides a vast directory of vintage homes and historic commercial properties for sale, real estate agents who specialize in historic houses for sale, and comprehensive historic preservation resources.

HistoricForSale.com works closely with PreservationDirectory.com's historic real estate directory to maximize exposure for these wonderful historic homes and commercial properties. Both websites share the same database, allowing HistoricForSale.com to tap into the vast network established over the last ten years by PreservationDirectory.com. In addition, those seeking to list on either site will have the option of listing, for a small additional fee, on both websites.



According to Tim Cannan, President of PreservationDirectory.com, "Our website has grown over the years into one of the major resources for historic preservation online, and our historic real estate directory has always been one of the most popular components of the website. We are dedicated to providing the most exposure for the historic homes listed on our website, and as such it was a no-brainer to launch HistoricForSale.com. The new resource will greatly increase our reach and go a long way towards meeting the needs of the preservation community. We are confident that HistoricForSale.com will piggyback off the overwhelming success of PreservationDirectory.com."

The internet has continued to be essential for those seeking to buy a home and HistoricForSale.com will be a key resource for those seeking vintage homes and historic commercial property. According to The

2008 National Association of Realtors® Profile of Home Buyers and Sellers, “87 percent [of buyers] used the Internet” and “buyers most commonly start their search process online and then contact a real estate agent.”

Features of HistoricForSale.com include:

- Listings allow up to 11 photos, complete seller contact information, and unlimited text that describes the property's physical description and history.
- Instant listings – upon submitting listings, they are added within seconds!
- Manage listings 24/7 with password protected members area.
- Upload your photos directly through the listing form (no need to email separately).
- Google™Maps integration.
- Track hits to listing in real time.
- “Email to a Friend” feature.

The only criteria used for eligibility is that the home or property must be 50 years old or older (some exceptions are made) and the property does not have to be listed on the local, State, or National Register of Historic Places. For more information about listing on HistoricForSale.com, please go to www.historicforsale.com/historicrealestate/propertylistinginformation.aspx. Questions concerning HistoricForSale.com and/or PreservationDirectory.com can be directed to info@preservationdirectory.com.

About PreservationDirectory.com: PreservationDirectory.com is a primary online resource for historic preservation, building restoration, and cultural resource management in the United States & Canada. Our goal is to foster the preservation of historic buildings, historic downtowns and neighborhoods, cultural resources and to promote heritage tourism by facilitating communication among historic preservation professionals and the general public. Founded in 1999 and headquartered in Portland, Oregon, PreservationDirectory.com has continually expanded and evolved to cover a comprehensive array of topics and resources of most interest to the historic and cultural resource community.



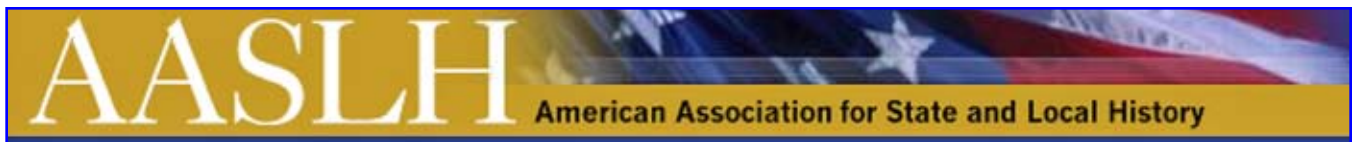
MARCH 31 IS THE DEADLINE FOR NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUMS COUNCIL'S FREE ON-SITE CONSULTING SERVICE APPLICATION

The North Carolina Museums Council's FOCoS (Free On-Site Consulting Service) is a valuable program available to any museum located in North Carolina, including historic sites and societies. Applications for the 2009-2010 cycle must be submitted by March 31, 2009, and can be downloaded from the NCMC web site (www.ncmuseums.org, click on NCMC Programs; or go directly to www.ncmuseums.org/ncmc/focos.html). Completed applications can be sent electronically to the NCMC Vice President at vicepresident@ncmuseums.org.

The FOCoS program is offered to one or two deserving museums each year. Consultants assigned and stipended through the program visit and tour the site over a two-day period and offer professional advice relating to needs specified as priorities by the recipient.

Consultation is offered in (but is not limited to) the following topic areas: exhibit design and construction; collections management; administration of facility; educational programming; volunteers; and marketing.

For more information, please contact Richard Sceiford, NCMC Vice President, by e-mail (vicepresident@ncmuseums.org), or at (910) 297-2392.



SAVE OUR HISTORY GRANTS

The AASLH is thrilled to announce the 2009-2010 **SAVE OUR HISTORY GRANTS!** The Save Our History Grant Program, available to AASLH members and the field at large, provides funding to history organizations that partner with schools on a local community preservation project.

Since launching the Save Our History Grant Program in 2004, AASLH and History (formerly The History Channel) has awarded over \$1 million in grants.

During the 2009-2010 school year, History will again award grants of up to \$10,000 to historical organizations to fund hands-on, experiential educational projects that teach students about their local history and actively engage them in its preservation.

Apply Today! For guidelines and criteria, important dates, and to apply, please visit www.saveourhistory.com, and click on grants. Applications are due Friday, June 6, 2009.

Questions? Any questions can be directed to info@saveourhistory.com.