

# Historical and Cultural Affairs

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## News

### Site of purported African-American cemetery discovered near Frankford

Development slated for nearby property.

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Headstone of C.S. Hall of the United States Colored Troops which was found on the purported site of a historical African-American cemetery near Frankford.

### National Women's History Month events among eight special programs at division museums during March 2019

Activities honor and celebrate women's lives and historic achievements.

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### "When Janie Comes Marching Home: Women's Fight to Serve" display at Legislative Hall

Display explores the participation of women in America's armed conflicts and their struggle to be allowed to serve in the nation's military forces.

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### Division welcomes historic-site interpreters, executive housekeeper

New employees help the agency in its efforts to save Delaware history.

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### New Castle Green street lamp repaired

Old lamp given a complete overall.

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# Help Save Delaware History

## Archaeologist John W. Martin joins State Historic Preservation Office staff

New employee has 39 years of experience in archaeology and historic preservation.

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## Historic revitalization subgrants available for eligible rural communities

Program supports the preservation of historic buildings in rural communities that are listed, or eligible for inclusion, in the National Register of Historic Places.

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## National Historic Preservation Advocacy Week, March 12–14, 2019

Annual gathering promotes sound federal preservation policy and programs.

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## Frozen in time: The rigors, and the rewards, of purchasing a historic home

Washington Post, D.C.—Jan. 31, 2019

Article features properties in historic New Castle, Del.

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## “Partners in Preservation: Planning for the Future—Delaware’s Historic Preservation Plan, 2018–2022”

Document outlines six broad goals for preserving Delaware’s heritage for the future.

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# Media Roundup

The following Delaware history-related articles have recently appeared in the media:

## [Commentary: Civility ascendant: Washington’s 110 rules of behavior](#)

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Feb. 15, 2019

Topic was presented at an event at The Old State House.

## [Golden Fleece Tavern Site](#)

Atlas Obscura, online—Feb. 15, 2019

Article on the Dover site where Delaware ratified the U.S. Constitution.

## [Program details lost history of Rosedale Beach](#)

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Feb. 9, 2019

Article on African-American resort notes research by division historian Carlton Hall.

## Articles on discovery of purported African-American cemetery in Frankford

Eleven unmarked graves found so far.

### [Archaeologists thank Sussex oral history for unmarked African-American grave discovery](#)

Daily Times, Salisbury, Md.—Feb. 25, 2019

### [Civil War soldier’s gravestone discovered, may offer vital clue to long-lost African-American cemetery](#)

Fox News, New York, N.Y.—Feb. 22, 2019

### [Archaeologists Surveying Del. Site Find What Appears To Be Unmarked African-American Grave Site](#)

Blavity, online—Feb. 21, 2019

### [Delaware archaeologists find African-American graves that may date to Civil War](#)

WHYY, Philadelphia, Pa.—Feb. 20, 2019

[19th Century African American Cemetery Found Near Frankford](#)  
WBOC TV, Salisbury, Md.—Feb. 19, 2019

['A needle in a haystack': archeologists find 11 graves at Frankford site](#)  
Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.—Feb. 19, 2019

[Unmarked graves found at site where blacks said to be buried](#)  
Washington Post, D.C.—Feb. 19, 2019

[African American cemetery discovered during archaeological dig at Frankford plantation](#)  
WDEL Radio, Wilmington, Del.—Feb. 18, 2019

[Archaeologists Unearth What Appears To Be African American Cemetery In Delaware](#)  
KYW-TV, Philadelphia, Pa.—Feb. 18, 2019

[Unmarked graves found at development project where African-Americans said to be buried](#)  
Daily Times, Salisbury, Md.—Feb. 18, 2019

## Events

### **Saturday, March 2**

[The Female Artists of Victor](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

[The Fashionable Bad Girls of Delaware](#) – The Old State House

### **Friday, March 8**

[Concert by the Slinging Daisies](#) – The Old State House

### **Friday–Sunday, March 8–10**

[Stories of Freedom](#) – The Old State House

### **Saturday, March 9**

[Pine Tar and Petticoats](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

### **Saturday, March 16**

[The Green Book](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[Abbott's Mill Guided Tour](#) – Abbott's Mill Nature Center

For a comprehensive, long-term calendar of division-sponsored events, [go here](#).

## Exhibits and Displays

### **Ongoing**

[Delaware Railroads: Elegant Travel and Timely Transport](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Drawing America to Victory: The Persuasive Power of the Arts in World War I](#) – Online

[Five Stories](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[Letters From a Farmer in Pennsylvania](#) – Online

[New Castle: Three Forts, One Community](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[The Old State House: A True Restoration 1976-2016](#) – The Old State House

[The Path to Freedom: A History of the Underground Railroad in Delaware](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[Sculpture by Charles Parks](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[A Seaborne Citizenry: The DeBraak and Its Atlantic World](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Simple Machines](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[When Janie Comes Marching Home: Women's Fight to Serve](#) – Legislative Hall



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The historic-preservation and museums newsletter of the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs.

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