

# Historical and Cultural Affairs

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## News

### **National Women's History Month events among 16 special programs at division museums during March 2018**

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

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Operatic soprano Rosa Ponselle will be one of the artists featured in the "Women of Victor" program at the Johnson Victrola Museum on March 3, 2018.

#### **A woman of the '20s**

Article explores four outstanding female singers from the decade of the "New Woman."

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#### **Division notes passing of its physical-plant maintenance superintendent Ed Gillespie**

Fourteen-year agency veteran died on Feb. 15, 2018.

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#### **Division welcomes three new employees**

Recent hires help the agency in its efforts to save Delaware history.

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## Woodburn to be lit up in blue and green in honor of National Eating Disorders Awareness Week

Eating disorders have the highest mortality rate of any mental illness and will affect 30 million Americans at some point in their lives.

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## Help Save Delaware History

### Alice Guerrant retires after 38 years of service

Long-time division archaeologist was manager of the Historic Property Research Center.

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### National Historic Preservation Advocacy Week, March 12–14, 2018

Annual gathering promotes sound federal preservation policy and programs.

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### “Preserving Our Past for a Better Future: Delaware’s Historic Preservation Plan, 2013–2017”

Document provides a roadmap for focusing on the broad goals and needs of Delaware's preservation community.

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## Media Roundup

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

### [Black History Month Lesson at Zwaanendael Museum](#)

WRDE TV, Lewes, Del.—Feb.25, 2018

Article and video on one of the earliest African-American landowners in Delaware.

### [Andrew Lyter: A young man doing historic things](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—Feb. 20, 2018

Article on Zwaanendael Museum historic-site interpreter.

### [10 iconic places in Delaware you should visit](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Feb. 15, 2018

Noted sites include Old New Castle and the Dover Green.

### [Expedia likes Dover as state's 'Best Place to Escape'](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Feb. 5, 2018

Listing includes the John Dickinson Plantation and Old State House.

## Events

### Saturday, March 3

[The Road to the Vote](#) – The Old State House

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

[A Woman’s World: Quill Pen Writing](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

### Monday–Saturday, March 5–10

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

### Friday, March 9

[Concert by Single Origin](#) – The Old State House

**Saturday, March 10**

[Stories of Slavery and Freedom](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[Demonstrations by the Thistledown Fiber Arts Guild](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

**Wednesday, March 14**

[London in Wartime: Ration Books, Bomb Shelters and the Blitz](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

**Saturday, March 17**

[A Woman's World: Journal Making](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[The Minstrel Boy: The Life of John McCormack](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

[Running of the Mill](#) – Abbott's Mill Nature Center

**Saturday, March 24**

[A Dead Whale or a Stove Boat, Parts Two and Three](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

**Friday, March 30**

[Good Friday](#) – All museums of the State of Delaware open

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

## Exhibits and Displays

**Ongoing**

[Discovering Delaware's Maritime Past](#) – 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

[Rose Color to Gold to Glowing Red: Orville and Ethel Peets in Paris 1913-1914](#) – Zwaanendael 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





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Historical and Cultural Affairs is designed to stimulate public interest in the division's museums, programs and services, and to increase awareness of the value that history and historic preservation bring to the lives of Delaware's citizens and visitors. The newsletter is distributed during the last week of each month, via e-mail, to division staff members, Delaware's historical- and preservation-related communities and friends. Please submit relevant articles, news items and suggestions to Jim Yurasek, newsletter editor, at [jim.yurasek@delaware.gov](mailto:jim.yurasek@delaware.gov).

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