

# Historical and Cultural Affairs

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

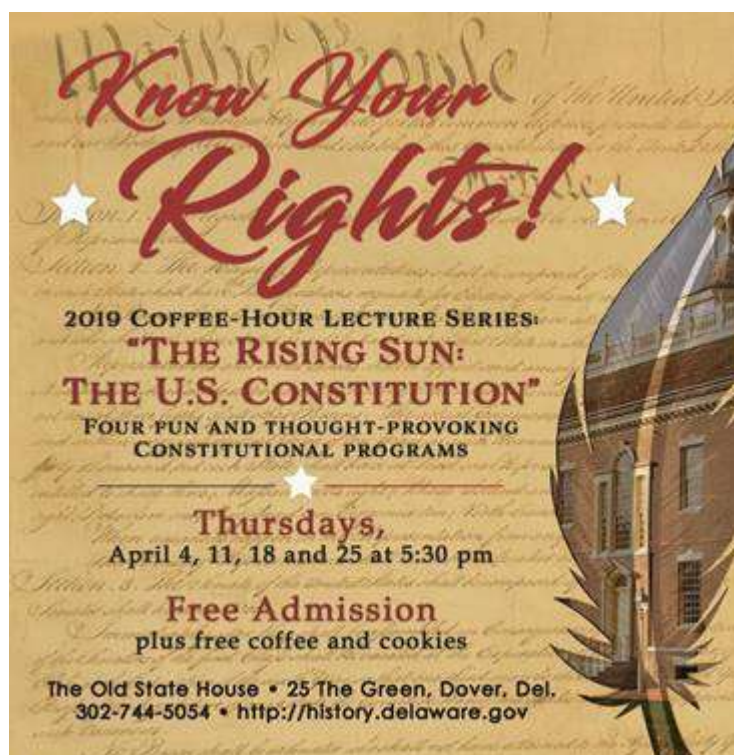
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## News

### **“The Rising Sun: The U.S. Constitution”: The Old State House’s Coffee-Hour Lecture Series to take place in April 2019**

Fun and thought-provoking Constitutional programs to take place on April 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2019.

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### **Division to sponsor 14 special events during April 2019**

Highlights include programs on the artist who created "His Master's Voice," the bombardment of Lewes and a festival at Fort Christina.

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### **DeBraak tours attendance increased by 46% in 2018; new tours scheduled for 2019**

Tours explore the surviving hull section of an 18th-century shipwreck.

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### **History museums and historic sites urged to complete national survey**

American Association for State and Local History survey seeks data on visitation to historic sites and organizations across the United States and Canada. **Deadline: April 30, 2019**

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# Help Save Delaware History

## 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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## Public input sought for Brandywine Creek Greenway

Public meetings and online survey seek input on a plan to preserve and enhance the natural, cultural, historic, recreational resources and trails surrounding the Brandywine Creek in Delaware.

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## Traditional building conference to take place at Winterthur Museum on April 10 and 11, 2019

Two-day interactive symposium will feature best-in-class experts and practitioners.

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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:

### [The story behind the 'Green Book'](#)

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.—March 1, 2019

Division historian Carlton Hall interviewed for the article on the travel guide for African Americans during segregation.

### [Archaeologists discover African-American burial site on housing development land](#)

WXDE-FM, Milford, Del.—Feb. 26, 2019

Eleven unmarked graves found so far at site in Frankford, Del.

## Events

### Wednesday, April 3

[Hale-Byrnes Open House](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

### Thursday, April 4

[The Constitutional Convention and Ratification](#) – The Old State House

### Thursday–Sunday, April 5–14

[Lewes Tulip Celebration](#) – Downtown Lewes

### Saturday, April 6

[The Old State House: A Symbol of Government](#) – The Old State House

[From Kidnapping to Escaping Enslavement](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[Francis Barraud: His Master’s Voice](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

[Lecture on the Bombardment of Lewes](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

### Thursday, April 11

[Articles One to Seven](#) – The Old State House

**Saturday, April 13**

[Buena Vista Spring Open House](#) – Buena Vista Mansion

[Archaeological Investigations at Fort Mercer \(Red Bank\) Battlefield](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

**Sunday, April 14**

[Wild Cat Manor](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

**Wednesday, April 17**

[Delaware State Review Board for Historic Preservation Meeting](#) – Delaware Public Archives

**Thursday, April 18**

[The Bill of Rights](#) – The Old State House

**Friday, April 19**

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

**Saturday, April 20**

[Dutch-American Friendship Day](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

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

**Sunday, April 21**

[Easter Sunday](#) – All museums of the State of Delaware closed

**Thursday, April 25**

[Amendments 11 to 17](#) – The Old State House

**Saturday, April 27**

[King's Day](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

**Sunday, April 28**

[Festival at the Fort](#) – Fort Christina National Historic Landmark

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



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

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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