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News

“Rose Color to Gold to Glowing Red: Orville and Ethel Peets in Paris 1913-1914”

New exhibit now open at Lewes, Del.'s Zwaanendael Museum.

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Portrait of Ethel Canby Peets by Orville Peets.

Division to sponsor 14 free programs during March 2017

Highlights include events celebrating National Women's History Month and National Harriet Tubman Day.

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Public comment sought regarding Sheriff's House rehabilitation and use plan

First State National Historical Park to hold public meeting on March 8, 2017 in New Castle.

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Harriet Tubman Day to be celebrated on March 11, 2017

Events to be held at the Delaware History Museum and Friends Meeting House in Wilmington.

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Division employee earns bachelor's degree in business management

Scott Hayes of the Preservation Maintenance Team recently graduated from Wilmington University.

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Help Save Delaware History

Division to hold public meetings seeking input for Delaware's 2018–2022 State Historic Preservation Plan
Five meetings to be held at locations across the state in March 2017.

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City of New Castle receives Certified Local Government status

Designation encourages successful preservation programs and practices.

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Incorporating Historic Preservation into Community Revitalization

Recent policy statement by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

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Call for papers: Symposium on the early-Colonial Delaware Valley

Deadline for submission of abstracts: March 31, 2017

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National Historic Preservation Advocacy Week, March 14–16, 2017

Annual gathering promotes sound federal preservation policy and programs.

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Historic Jehu M. Reed House fades into the past

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Feb. 11, 2017

Property is in a state of collapse.

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Black history school: 'The only place we had to play'

Delmarva Daily Times, Salisbury, Md.—Feb. 1, 2017

Plans underway to restore historic Richard Allen School in Georgetown.

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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:

[Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs hosts new, ongoing exhibits](#)

Dover Post, Del.—Feb. 23, 2017

Article notes exhibits and displays at the John Dickinson Plantation, New Castle Court House Museum, Old State House and Zwaanendael Museum.

[Zwaanendael Museum features new Peets exhibit](#)

Sussex Countian, Georgetown, Del.—Feb. 23, 2017

Exhibit opened on Feb. 15, 2017.

[Who was best president — Washington or Lincoln?](#)

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Feb. 11, 2017

Article on the Feb. 19, 2017 program at The Old State House.

[8 Delawareans re-create African Americans out of history](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Feb. 9, 2017

Article on first-person historical interpreters includes two division employees.

[Rehoboth Art League celebrates Women's History Month with four new exhibitions](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—Feb. 3, 2017

Exhibit entitled "Mid-20th Century Women in Art at the RAL" was curated by Ann Baker Horsey, the division's curator of collections.

['Listen Up! African American History' program rescheduled](#)

Dover Post, Del.—Feb. 1, 2017

Program will now take place on March 11, 2017.

[Rolling on the River: Delaware in the American Revolution](#)

Journal of the American Revolution—Jan. 25, 2017

Article by historian Kim Burdick

[The Ten Best Museums in Delaware!](#)

Best of Delaware—February 2017

Article includes Johnson Victrola Museum, New Castle Court House and Zwaanendael Museum.

Events

Saturday, March 4

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

[The Influence of the Shadd Family](#) – The Old State House

[From Prima Donnas to Divas: A Victor Creation](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

Monday–Friday, March 6–10

[Tales of Slavery and Freedom Walking Tours](#) – Dover Green

Monday–Sunday, March 6–12

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

Tuesday–Saturday, March 7–11

[Run For Freedom](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

Friday, March 10

[Concert by Mike Nielsen on Celtic harp and bouzouki](#) – The Old State House

Saturday, March 11

[Harriet Tubman Day in Delaware](#) – Downtown Wilmington

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

[Listen Up! African American and Women's History](#) – The Old State House

[Patriots and Loyalists: Life in Lewes—A Town Torn During the Revolution](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

Saturday and Sunday, March 11 and 12

[Thomas Garrett and his Role in the History of Delaware Slavery](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

Saturday, March 18

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

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

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

Monday, March 27

[Log'd Dwelling Clean Up](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

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

Exhibits and Displays

Thru August 2017

[World War II Through the Lens of William D. Willis](#) – Middletown Historical Society

Ongoing

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

[Emeline Hawkins: Her Journey from Slavery to Freedom on the Underground Railroad](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[Five Stories](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[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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