

Historical and Cultural Affairs

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News

Division museums add Thursday operating hours

Visitation guidelines in keeping with Gov. Carney's Phase II reopening of the state.

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Log'd dwelling (foreground) and mansion house at the John Dickinson Plantation. The State of Delaware's five museums have added Thursdays to their operating schedules beginning on Aug. 6, 2020.

Save the date—"Women's Work: Campaigning for Social Change"

22nd annual Chautauqua tent shows to take place in Lewes and New Castle, Del. during September 2020.

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Zwaanendael Museum announces winners of its "Uniquely Lewes" photo contest

Contest challenged amateur photographers to submit images of what makes Lewes unique.

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Delaware Breakwater East End Lighthouse to be repainted

Project expected to be completed before summer's end 2020.

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New Castle Academy garden wall repaired

Deteriorating section of the wall was cleaned and repointed.

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Division seeks two historic-site interpreters, a physical plant maintenance/trades mechanic and a horticulturalist

Positions will aid the agency in helping to save Delaware history.

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Chris Hall named lead historic-site interpreter at the Johnson Victrola Museum

Hall had served as a historic-site interpreter for the division since 2011.

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Division welcomes Curator of Collections Elizabeth Coulter

New employee will take a leadership role in the curation, management and interpretation of the State's collection of materials made, and used, by Delawareans throughout history.

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Help Save Delaware History

Delaware State Review Board for Historic Preservation meeting to take place remotely on July 29, 2020

Virtual meeting to consider nomination of the American Vulcanized Fibre Company in Wilmington to the National Register of Historic Places.

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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:

[Delaware Road Trip: Beaches, History, And Charming Towns](#)

Travel Awaits, online—July 15, 2020

Article notes historic sites across the state.

[Lewes lighthouse being repainted](#)

Delaware State News, Dover—July 14, 2020

Project expected to be completed before summer’s end 2020.

[Rehabilitation work ongoing on Zwaanendael Museum in Lewes](#)

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.—July 6, 2020

Exterior work to include cleaning, repairing and painting.

Events, exhibits and displays

In keeping with Gov. Carney’s [Phase II guidance](#) for reopening the state in wake of the coronavirus pandemic, the five museums administered by the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs are open for self-guided tours via reservation only. Go to the following for [information](#).

To explore Delaware history online, go to the [Delaware Digital History Museum](#).



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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.

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