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Saving Delaware History



Continuing the search for lost voices in Delaware history

Efforts to expand The Plantation Stories Project, which aims to capture the stories of African American people who were oppressed and marginalized at the John Dickinson Plantation, continue.

Know your history



A new chapter for Buena Vista's greenhouse

A nearly century-old greenhouse in northern Delaware has been restored. Learn more about its importance in Delaware's history.

[Dig deeper](#)

Reenact history this summer in New Castle

Discover how Native Americans used the land, explore colonial life and weigh in as a juror during the New Castle History Summer Camp slated for this summer.

[Make history with us](#)

Highlighted Event

Join guest speaker Tamara Burks for a virtual Juneteenth program at 4 p.m., Saturday, June 18, to learn about Rosedale Beach, a coastal resort for people of color during times of segregation and rampant racism in Delaware. Join us

News & Updates

Division-sponsored programs in June 2022

Tours, lectures and Separation Day activities will be featured virtually and at historic sites and museums. [Make history](#)

UD students explore history at Cooch's Bridge

Delaware's newest public historic site also has doubled as a classroom for a handful of students from the University of Delaware. [Learn more](#)

New Castle Court House Museum to reopen in June

The museum, a National Historic Landmark, will reopen in June after a months-long closure for upgrades to its sprinkler system. [Learn more](#)

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Preservation

Rehabilitation of the Sheriff's House is underway

The National Park Service's \$5 million restoration effort will allow this landmark to serve as a welcome center for sites in Delaware. [Restoring history](#)

Brown v. Board National Historical Park Expansion

A new federal law aims to expand recognition of landmark sites involved in historical desegregation of schools, including in Delaware. [Expanding impact](#)

11 most endangered historic places in 2022

The National Trust for Historic Preservation has identified nearly a dozen historic places at risk of neglect and other threats. [Learn more](#)

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Media Roundup

Underground Railroad classroom program launched

The Kalmar Nyckel Foundation's new program examines Delaware's connection to the Underground Railroad. [Read the story](#)

Exploring Delaware's Green roots

The Division recently received a donation of pottery fragments from a site known as the Green Pottery site in Smyrna. [Read the story](#)

Delaware has a museum dedicated to Victrolas

The Victrola marked the beginning of the history of recorded music, which is on display at this Delaware museum. [Read the story](#)

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Activities & Exhibits

Friday and Saturday, June 10-11, 2022

Separation Day celebration

Celebrate the 246th anniversary of Delaware's separation from Great Britain and Pennsylvania and the formation of the Delaware State.

Saturday, June 25, 2022

An uphill battle: Unfulfilled promises

In honor of Juneteenth, this 1 p.m. talk at the Old State House in Dover explores laws and cultural changes that came after the Civil War.

Wednesday, June 29, 2022

Well Seasoned Heirlooms

Learn about the culinary practices, recipes and personalized cookbooks of women throughout Delaware history.

[Go to the full calendar of activities](#)

[Go to the full list of exhibits and displays](#)



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Saving Delaware History 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.

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