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# Saving Delaware History



-DELAWARE'S 24TH ANNUAL CHAUTAUQUA-

## THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT



### Ready to be entertained by historical Chautauqua performances?

This year's fun-filled, "That's Entertainment!" Chautauqua programs are steeped in history and sprinkled with inspiring performances by the American Historical Theatre. Step back in history with us by visiting events in Lewes or New Castle.

Make history with us



## For historical preservation, climate is key

Find out what it takes to preserve artifacts with environmental controls, maintenance and continuous monitoring as climate conditions change.

[Get engaged](#)

## The Division welcomes new staff members in 2022

Join the Division in welcoming its newest staff members, who bring a wealth of experience in working with the public, historic sites, programs and more.

[Meet the staff](#)

## Highlighted Event

Have ideas on how to advance historic preservation in Delaware? The public is invited to share ideas during two virtual forums on Wednesday, Sept. 21, held by the University of Delaware with the Division and Preservation Delaware. Share your ideas

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## News & Updates

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### Researching Delaware's LGBTQ+ community

The Division is embarking on a research and engagement project with LGBTQ+ community members to share their history and stories. [Learn more](#)

### Division sets Cooch's Bridge site plan in motion

A new vision for the Cooch's Bridge Historic Site will soon come to life, thanks to a future interpretive plan and community engagement. [Get involved](#)

### Celebrate the upcoming U.S. Semiquincentennial

Americans can soon celebrate 250 years of the Declaration of Independence. How will you connect with this national story? [Prepare for 2026](#)

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## Preservation

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### Your preservation questions answered

Learn more about historic preservation in the First State in this Q&A with Delaware's deputy state historic preservation officer. [Dive into details](#)

### Details in Delaware: Serpentine stone

A greenish gemstone was once popular as a building material, but had its flaws. Read on to learn more about serpentine stone. [Learn more](#)

### "History of equal rights grant opportunity"

Select groups, including nonprofits and educational institutions, can apply for a new civil rights grant program through Sept. 14, 2022. [Apply here](#)

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## Media Roundup

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### Writing Black history at the Zwaanendael

Learn more about the story of "Segregated Sands" at the Zwaanendael Museum in this story on page 22 of the August edition of "Black Voices." [Read the story](#)

### Forgotten founder

Learn more about John Dickinson, "America's first political celebrity" in this article from Cooperative Living. [Read the story](#)

### Tree alive during American Revolution to be memorialized

Preservationists work on a proper remembrance of a 300-year-old sycamore tree as it nears the end of its life. [Read the story](#)

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## Activities & Exhibits

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### Throughout September

## Division-sponsored programs in September 2022

Make history with the Division this September by joining us for programs for all ages across the state.

### Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022

#### The Battle of the Chesapeake

Join this free presentation on how the French fleet paved the way to the ultimate victory for the American forces over the British.

### Wednesdays and Saturdays

#### East End Lighthouse tours

September is the last month of the season to catch Cape Water Tours's trips to the Delaware Breakwater East End Lighthouse.

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

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



## Saving Delaware History

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

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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