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Redesigned Plantation Stories Project offers a way to explore history

The public can now explore information about the free, indentured, enslaved and freedom-seeking people who lived, worked and died at the John Dickinson Plantation through an enhanced online spreadsheet that showcases the Plantations Stories Project.

Explore the stories



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What it's like to work in Delaware history

Working at the Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs is not only a wonderful way to earn a living, but a way to learn more about Delaware's past, present and future.

Learn about the team

For the love of history: A Q&A with Susan Emory

Susan Emory is a historic site interpreter at The Old State House, and has been sharing Delaware history for decades in this role and others with the division.

Hear her story

Highlighted Event

If you're in the market for a true historical adventure, spend a day or two at division sites participating in the 18th Century Market Fair, which brings the colonial past to life through themed performers and vendors. Make history

News & Updates

Public invited to descendant community forums

The public is invited to participate in forums on Nov. 28 and Dec. 1 to learn more about the division's work engaging descendant communities. Attend a forum

Friends of Folk kick off new concert season

The Delaware Friends of Folk have returned to The Old State House for a 10th season of family-friendly concerts. <u>Learn more</u>

Division-sponsored events in November 2023

Experience a variety of programs and events at historic sites and museums throughout the state this November. <u>Make history with us</u>

Read additional articles

Preservation

New members join Delaware State Review Board

This year will see new members join the Delaware State Review Board for Historic Preservation. Learn more about the board and its members. Meet the board

Bats love historic buildings, too

Bats live in the First State year-round, and there are ways that we can help them without sacrificing historic preservation. <u>Learn more</u>

Everything you want to know about saving places

Check out this interesting webinar from the National Trust for Historic Preservation that offers the ins-and-outs of preservation law. <u>Saving places</u>

Read additional articles

Media Roundup

Federal funding to boost Cooch's Bridge site

The site of Delaware's sole Revolutionary War land battle is getting a makeover. Read the story

The Green features LGBTQ+ history project

Delaware Public Media's Joe Irizarry talks with Meg Hutchins about the new project. <u>Hear the interview</u>

Delaware advocates push for Asian American history

Make Us Visible Delaware wants to see the First State follow others in requiring and funding more Asian American history in schools. Read the story

Read additional articles

Activities & Exhibits

Friday, Nov. 3, 2023

The Dutch in early America

Learn from this program contextualizing the 1631 Swaanendael colony and how it fit into the grander Dutch schemes of the 1600s.

Saturday, Nov. 18, 2023

A lost story of the American Revolution

Learn more about The Great New York Fire of 1776 at an American Revolution Round Table of Northern Delaware lecture.

Thursday, Nov. 30, 2023

Holiday-themed program at the Zwaanendael Museum

Enjoy historical interpreters, demonstrations, music and seasonal refreshments, with seasonal decorations by the Sussex Gardeners.

Go to the full calendar of activities

Go to the full list of exhibits and displays





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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.

Please submit relevant articles, news items and suggestions to Maddy Goss, newsletter editor, at madeline.goss@delaware.gov or Dana Behling, communications manager, at dana.behling@delaware.gov.

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