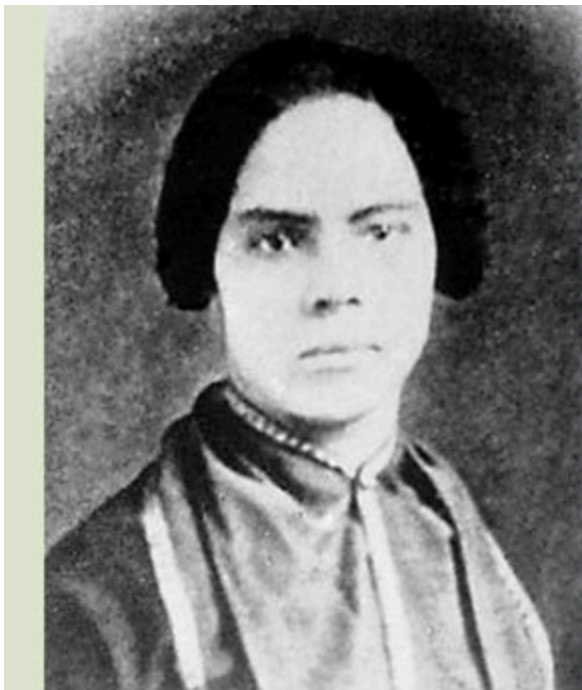


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# Saving Delaware History



## Celebrate *Women's History Month*

March 2023

### Women to know in Delaware history: Celebrate Women's History Month

March is National Women's History Month, but do you know of some of the First State's most famous female leaders, innovators, artists and change-makers? Learn more about a few notable women throughout Delaware history.

Know your history



## First State National Park featured on stamp

In case you missed it, the First State National Historic Park has been selected as the 2023 Mid-Atlantic Regional Stamp for National Parks visitors to collect.

[Check it out](#)

## Collection close-up: Kathy Carpenter's donations

This small collection of objects is symbolic of Ms. Sussex County Amateur Kathy Carpenter's life and the LGBTQ+ community in Sussex County, Delaware.

[Explore the donation](#)

## Highlighted Event

"The Kidnapping of Bathsheba Bungy," a March 18 dramatic performance at the New Castle Court House Museum explores the true story of a free, Black girl from New Castle who was kidnapped to be sold into slavery, and her subsequent rescue. Step back in time

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## News & Updates

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### Division mourns the loss of Jim Schilling

Longtime Johnson Victrola Museum volunteer passed away on Jan. 5, 2023. [Learn more](#)

### Join the Division as a dedicated volunteer!

Prepare for National Volunteer Month by signing up to volunteer at one of Delaware's historical sites, museums or events! [Sign up today](#)

### History orgs: Take national visitation survey

Data will examine in-person visitation trends at history museums, historic sites and other history organizations in the United States. [Help make history](#)

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## Preservation

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### **Call for papers: Archaeology and history symposium**

April 22, 2023 symposium to highlight Delaware-related archaeological or historical research. Abstracts due by March 10, 2023. [Find out more](#)

### **Historic Preservation Advocacy Week returns**

National Historic Preservation Advocacy Week returns March 6-8, 2023, in Washington, DC. [Learn more](#)

### **Details in Delaware: Homsey Architects**

Did you know Homsey Architects, based in Wilmington, was one of the first female-led architectural firms in Delaware? [Explore the details](#)

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## Media Roundup

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### **Delaware history: From celebratory to complicated**

Division Director Suzanne Savery discusses how the agency is grappling with Delaware's, and the nation's, complex and difficult history. [Learn more](#)

### **Townsend church receives preservation funding**

Ebenezer Methodist Church receives grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation's African American Cultural Heritage Action Fund. [Find out more](#)

### **Replica of 17th century Dutch town hall in Lewes**

Zwaanendael Museum commemorates Delaware's first European colony, established by the Dutch in 1631. [Step inside and see](#)

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## Activities & Exhibits

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### **Throughout March 2023**

## Enjoy Women's History Month programs

Six division-sponsored events honor and celebrate women's lives and historic achievements.

### Saturday, March 25

#### Cooch's Bridge homestead tours resume in March

Introductory program on the history of the Cooch's Bridge homestead, focal point of Delaware's only Revolutionary War land battle.

### Ongoing

#### Janie Comes Marching Home: Women's Fight to Serve

Display explores the participation of women in America's armed conflicts from the Revolutionary War to the present.

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

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## Saving Delaware History

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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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