



News & Updates from Heritage Montgomery

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Montgomery County's Rustic Roads



We are pleased to release the latest video in our Heritage Montgomery sites series, click the above image to watch. We hope you enjoy this week's video featuring **Montgomery County's Rustic Roads**. For more information [click here](#).

Montgomery County's Rustic Roads are historic and scenic roadways that reflect the agricultural character and rural origins of Montgomery County. Roads in the Rustic Roads Program are narrow, low-volume roads used by drivers, farmers, equestrians, bicyclists, and hikers. Each road is unique, and some have special surfaces such as gravel or concrete that have become rare.

All videos in the Heritage Montgomery Sites Series are available on our Youtube channel, [click here](#) to view the entire series, as well as through links on the HM website and partner website.

Heritage Days 2022 - June 25 & 26



This year marks the 23rd annual Heritage Days weekend – a countywide festival offering programs, activities, and tours appealing to visitors of all ages and interests. With over 30 free events all around Montgomery County, Heritage Days Weekend, is the perfect time to explore local history, culture, and nature. Sites are open from noon to 4pm unless otherwise indicated.

Plus, celebrate Montgomery County's extensive collection of cultural and heritage museums all month long with Museum Month in June! Create your own self-guided road trip experience and visit wide-range of participating museums. Extend your weekend with exclusive hotel packages. Head over to VisitMontgomery.com to learn more.

Grant Announcements



National Park Service Historic Preservation Grants Funding

- The National Park Service is now accepting applications for the inaugural round of the Semiquincentennial Grant Program. Eligible costs for this program include architectural/engineering services (not to exceed 20 percent of the grant award) and physical preservation projects. The Semiquincentennial Grant Program is funded by the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) and is administered by the NPS. Congress has appropriated \$10 million

for the Semiquincentennial Grant Program for the fiscal year. Applications are due May 3. [Follow this link for more information and to apply](#).

The African American Heritage Preservation Program (AAHPP)

- This grant seeks to provide funding to assist in the preservation of buildings, sites, or communities of historical and cultural importance to the African American experience in Maryland. The AAHPP is administered as a partnership between the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) and the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture (MCAAHC). Grants range from \$10,000 to a maximum of \$100,000. The deadline to apply to the grant program is July 1, 2022 at 11:59pm. To apply, register for a workshop, view grant documents, or for more information, visit MHT's [website](#).

Upcoming Events



[Go Birding!](#)

All Spring Long throughout Montgomery County

It's Join the Montgomery Bird Club at some of Montgomery County's top birding spots. Visit their website [here](#) to find the best spots in the county, resources, and more. **Free.**

[42nd Bloomin' Birdathon](#)

All Throughout Montgomery County from the Audubon Naturalist Society

Calling all ANS members and supporters! Spring is approaching and so are migrating birds! Soon, we will be seeing precious wildflowers. Let's get outside and count nature's wonders in support of ANS's environmental education, conservation, and restoration programs. **Free.**

[Canal Quarters](#)

C&O Canal Trust

We are pleased to announce that our Canal Quarters lockhouses are open with new protocols in place with your health in mind! When you stay in one of our lockhouses, you have it to yourself for the duration of your stay, providing you with a fun place to socially distance while you enjoy the beautiful C&O Canal with your family and friends. Also, [click here](#) for more opportunities.

[Who's Your Farmer?](#)

Events on April 30th and May 7th from the Montgomery Countyside Alliance

If you are itching to get outside this spring, look no further than the Ag Reserve - which besides the

typical recreation opportunities has some farms offering open houses and plant sales at the start of the season plus art and the promise of cherries and berries soon.

[Carousel Day at Glen Echo Park](#)

April 30, 11 am - 4 pm at Glen Echo Park

Join us for a festival event in celebration of Glen Echo Park's 101-year-old Dentzel Carousel as it opens for the season! In addition to riding the carousel, families are welcome to enjoy many other FREE activities throughout the Park, including live music & performances, kids' arts & crafts, open artist studios & galleries, and lots more!

[Cocktails & Confections](#)

May 1st, 5-6:30 pm at the Sandy Spring Museum

Two delectable delights (and experts)! At Cocktails & Confections: A Long Overdue Partnership, we are pleased to welcome two masters in composing after-dinner delights, Annie Clemmons and Mick Perrigo, to make sublime confections and build expert cocktails, crafted to complement one another. Participants will be given unique recipes to create their own harmonious pairings at home, which will add a distinctive note to their next celebration with friends and family.

[Off the Beaten Path in Montgomery County](#)

May 13th, a Virtual event from the Germantown Historical Society

Discover hidden gems in Montgomery County you can visit in this virtual program presented by local historian Ralph Buglass who will discuss the "Top 10" lesser-known spots in Montgomery County with historical importance, amazing natural beauty, or superlative in some other way.

Job Postings and Opportunities

- **Historians Available:** Two term-contract Historians with the Montgomery County Planning Department are completing term-limited positions and will be available for new opportunities beginning in July. Working to support the [County's Segregation Mapping Project](#) they are skilled in public history, deed research, and knowledgeable about archival resources regarding African American history in Maryland. Contact Rebeccah Ballo at rebeccah.ballo@montgomeryplanning.org for more information.
- Montgomery History seeks a skilled, experienced, and enthusiastic professional for the position of Development and Communications Manager. Follow the [link](#) for the full position description and application instructions.
- National Capital Trolley Museum seeks applicants for its new Executive Director see the full job posting [here](#).



Heritage Montgomery is dedicated to the mission of preserving and promoting local history, culture, and distinctive natural areas, and fostering stewardship and economic development in Montgomery County, Maryland.

The economic impact of the Heritage Montgomery is \$376.1 million annually.

The employment impact of the Heritage Montgomery is 5,327 jobs supported and sustained.

Heritage Montgomery is one of 13 state-certified heritage areas in Maryland.

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