



News & Updates from Heritage Montgomery

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Gaithersburg Community Museum



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 the **Gaithersburg Community Museum**. For more information on the museum [click here](#).

Local history full steam ahead at the Gaithersburg Community Museum! Located in the B&O Rail complex in Olde Towne, the Museum's indoor/outdoor interpretive spaces provide hands-on learning centers for children that spark the imagination and exhibits that explore Gaithersburg's rich history. Now open Wednesday to Sunday from 11 am-4 pm and Tuesday by appointment. Learn more about the museum [here](#).

New Grant Announcements



Economic Development Administration Grant

- A new grant from the Maryland Department of Commerce is aimed at places where the travel, tourism, and outdoor recreation industries were hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic. To find out more about the funding including funding eligibility and to apply, follow [this link](#) to OTD's industry page. This grant has a rolling deadline (applications will be reviewed monthly).

Trader Foundation Grant

- The Trader Foundation offers grants for a variety of cemetery projects that can provide applicants with the necessary funds they need to see their plans to successful completion. The next application deadline is July 1, 2022, and all project scopes will be considered. Please [click here](#) for the application form and instructions and to learn more about past projects

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.](#)

National Scenic Byways Program Grant

- The National Scenic Byways Program Grant is looking to provide grants and technical assistance to be made available to States or Indian Tribes to (a) implement eligible projects on highways designated as National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads (America's Byways®), State scenic byways, or Indian Tribe scenic byways; and (b) plan, design, and develop a State or Indian Tribe scenic byway program. Contact Cheryl Ladota at cladota@mdot.maryland.gov to get started

Heritage Days 2022 - June 25 & 26



Heritage Days returns! After a two-year break we are pleased to once again sponsor our annual

celebration of Montgomery County heritage area parks, museums and historic sites! Join us for a weekend of free events and programs. Explore our miles of trails and scenic Rustic Roads! Discover our unique museums and heritage sites! For more information on this countywide event, visit HeritageMontgomery.org.

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.

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.**

Women as Street Car Conductors, Including Maya Angelou

A March 5 to April 24 at the National Capital Trolley Museum

Learn how women became Conductors and Operators on Washington DC's streetcars. It was *MEN ONLY* until staffing shortages in World War II forced a change.

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!



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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