

News & Updates from Heritage Montgomery

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# Sugarland Community Video



We are pleased to release our first video featuring the historic Sugarland Community and St. Paul Church. The video is narrated by our dear friend, the late Gwen Reese.

This spring, Heritage Montgomery began a new video project. Working with our partner sites, we are shooting short videos highlighting the county's many wonderful attractions. We'll be releasing them every few weeks in this newsletter.

Once released, the videos will be available on our Heritage Montgomery YouTube channel, as well as through links on the HM website, and partner websites. By allowing visitors to "explore" sites before they travel, HM expects to reach a broader audience and expand promotional opportunities for everyone.

# Heritage Montgomery Mini Grants

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One of this year's mini-grant awards will fund a crowd-sourced transcription project for Sandy Spring Museum. The project will allow anyone with a computer and internet connections contribute to the discovery of Black history in Montgomery County.

We are pleased to announce our FY 2022 Mini-Grant awards. This year we had a robust turnout of applicants with many great projects from throughout Montgomery County. The total amount of HM funding awarded is \$24,635. <u>Click here</u> to view the complete list of awards.



Now is the time to contact Heritage Montgomery about grant ideas for the upcoming FY 23 Maryland Heritage Area Authority grant round.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation's Telling the Full History Preservation Fund is a onetime grant program to interpret and preserve historic places of importance to underrepresented communities across states and territories of the United States. This program is made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities' American Rescue Plan Humanities Grantmaking for Organizations and, as such, is subject to federal rules for award selection and reporting. More information can be found <u>here</u>.

The **Maryland Department of Commerce** has launched the **Maryland Innovation Investment Tax Credit**, which will help foster the growth of the state's technology sectors by incentivizing investment in early-stage companies. The program, which has \$2 million in funding for FY 2022, will also help increase overall investments in current and emerging tech sectors, and boost the number of individual investors in Maryland tech companies. <u>Read More...</u>

**Maryland State of Emergency Flooding 2021 Grants** available now through Maryland Capital Enterprises On Friday October 29th Governor Larry Hogan declared a state of emergency for areas of

Maryland along the Chesapeake Bay, Potomac River, and the Atlantic Coastline. Grant applications can be completed and submitted online starting Monday November 8th at 9:00 am and close on Friday November 19th at 4:00 pm. <u>Read More...</u>

# Upcoming Events



# Beauty and the Beast at the Onley Theater

#### November 5-January 2nd, 2022

Be our guest for the holidays as the classic animated story comes to life on the Olney Theatre Mainstage. Our biggest show of the year brings the whole family together for a magical and memorable musical about the redemptive power of love. Join Belle, Lumiere, Cogsworth, and the rest of the gang in the Beast's cursed castle for an escape to a world where beauty is more than skin deep and happily ever after is just a rose petal away.

## **BlackRock Art Exhibits**

#### November 13-December 23

A solo exhibit of large paintings on wood exploring sylvan landscapes by Douglas Moulden and a solo exhibit of over thirty mixed media works on paper incorporating multiple genres within a single work by Rula Jones.

# Adventure Theatre MTC's Winterfest at Glen Echo

#### November 19th-January 2nd, 2022

Get three shows for the price of one! Adventure brings favorites from the digital Jingle in July festival to the live stage. *Uri & Ora Light the Menorah*, *Connection*, and *Cranky Penguin*. Adventure brings favorites from the digital Jingle in July festival to the live stage.

# The Spring Open Mic at the Sandy Spring Museum

November 23rd - 7:00-9:00pm

Join us for the best open mic in Montgomery County. Hosted by Rob Hinkal and Rowan Corbett, and in collaboration with the Institute of Musical Traditions, the Spring Open Mic welcomes all performers – beginners, pros, and everywhere in-between – as well as listeners, to the open-air courtyard at Sandy Spring Museum.

## 2021 Virtual Annual Thanksgiving Breaking Break Together Prayer & Praise

#### November 25 - Noon

Coming together virtually is a powerful way to share prayers, praises, songs, poems, scriptures, or words of encouragement on Thanksgiving, so we truly hope you will join us. This is our 2nd year in breaking bread together for Thanksgiving. Whether you are alone or just with your family or friends we have come to realize that visual unity is not the same but it is still a form of engaging with others.

## Fine Arts & Crafts Holiday Gift Show

#### November 26-December 22nd

The annual Fine Arts & Crafts Holiday Gift Show features one-of-a-kind pieces including jewelry, quilts, pottery, and other fine arts and crafts – all created by local artists. Every item for sale is unique and individually crafted by regional artists who use their imagination and talents to make something special for everyone on your gift list.

### Seneca State Park Festival of Lights

#### November 26-December 31st

The City's Winter Lights Festival is getting ready to welcome visitors for another spectacular season. The 3.5 mile drive through the enchanted setting of Seneca Creek State Park takes you past more than 450 illuminated displays and beautifully lit trees that light up the night. The park is located at <u>11950</u> <u>Clopper Road</u>, conveniently accessible from I-270.

### The Puppet Co.'s The Nutcracker

#### November 26th-January 3rd, 2022

Join the Puppet Co. for our 33rd annual The Nutcracker! This time-honored seasonal celebration includes Tchaikovsky's familiar story of Clara and her prince, with some Puppet Co. nursery rhyme spin.

## The Puppet Co.'s Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins

#### November 26-December 31st

Hershel just wants to celebrate Hanukkah with the community, but the Queen and King of the Goblins have forbidden the lighting of the candles. Can Hershel save the day and lift the curse for this shtetl (village)?

## Mills in Montgomery County with Don Housley

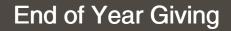
#### November 30th - 2pm

This presentation focuses on the rise and fall of the milling industry in Montgomery County. The talk describes the nature and diversity of milling operations on the major stream valleys in the County, along with some archaeology done on selected mill sites.

## 2021 Holly Trolleyfest

#### December 4th, 11th, 18th, & 19th

Ride the Street Cars, visit with Santa, and see our Winter Garden Railway. Reservations required. Ticketed admissions every 30 minutes from 12 Noon through 4 p.m. All COVID guidelines will be followed and capacity will be limited.





Last summer HM was pleased to offer emergency Mini Grants of up to \$1000 each to fund site reopening costs. We awarded over \$10,000 to 12 sites. Our ability to step up and offer these grants was due in large part to the generosity of our donors during our annual fundraising drive.

Once again, we ask that you consider a donation to Heritage Montgomery as part of your year-end giving. Some of the programs that provide much needed support to our county's rich heritage resources rely on your gift. Additionally, please let us know if you or your business would like to sponsor a particular project or program.



**Scotland AME Zion** has been awarded \$100,000 by the African American Heritage Commission through the State of Maryland. Congratulations!



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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