



News & Updates from Heritage Montgomery

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King Barn Dairy MOOseum Video



We are proud to release the latest video in our local heritage sites series, this month on the King Barn Dairy MOOseum

This historic 10,000 square foot dairy barn once housed 122 cows and now tells the story of the nearly 400 dairy farms that existed in the first half of the 20th century in Montgomery County. The Kings, who purchased this farm in 1913, were among the first families in the area to turn a small family enterprise into a large commercial operation.

MHAA Grant Announcement



Applications Open for FY23 MHAA Project Grants!

Intent to Apply due January 28, 2022

Applications due March 18, 2022

[See more and access the application.](#)

Q&A Sessions

Q&A Session: Jan. 12 at 11 AM

Q&A Session: Jan. 20 at 6 PM

Q&A Session: Jan. 26 at 4:30 PM

[Sign up for webinar and Q&A Sessions](#)

The Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (MHAA) Grant Program is a source of funding designed to assist and encourage the preservation of historical, archeological, natural, and cultural resources and support economic development through heritage tourism within heritage areas certified by the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority. MHAA Project Grant awards may be as high as \$50,000 for non-capital projects and \$100,000 for capital projects. This matching grant opportunity is open to nonprofit organizations and local or federal government agencies in the boundaries of the heritage area. Proposals should align with the goals and priorities of Heritage Montgomery.

Have a project in mind? Contact director@heritagemontgomery.org about getting started.

Additional Grant Opportunities

[Historic Preservation Capital Grant Program Webinars](#)

The Historic Preservation Capital Grant Program promotes the acquisition, restoration, and rehabilitation of historic properties in Maryland. Eligible properties are limited to those which are listed in or determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, either individually or as a contributing structure within a district. The program typically receives an annual appropriation of \$600,000 for grants per year. Applications for the Historic Preservation Capital Grant Program are typically available in February and due in mid-March, with decisions made by July every year.

Learn about eligibility of applicant organizations, properties, and projects; documentation required for the application; selection criteria, and more during a webinar or Q&A Session during January or February. [See dates and register here.](#)

[Application Available for NEH Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions](#)

Applications are due January 13, 2022. Maximum funding is \$10,000 or \$15,000 for particular types of projects. Preservation Assistance Grants help small and mid-sized cultural institutions improve their ability to preserve and care for their significant humanities collections through assessment, consultation, training and the purchase of supplies, furniture, and equipment. Projects may support the preservation of physical as well as digital humanities collections.

Creativity Grants

Creativity Grants for Projects, offered by the Maryland State Arts Council, strengthen the vitality and sustainability of artists and small organizations and provide opportunities to serve the growing needs of relevant arts projects and collaborations within Maryland communities. Intended to support specific arts projects, events, or programs, this option is available for independent artists, as well as organizations. Each application should focus on a proposal for one specific project or program. Deadlines for the Creativity Grant Program are rolling. Applications are reviewed monthly, and Creativity Grants are awarded throughout the fiscal year until allocated funding is depleted. The grant period for FY21 is July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021.

Upcoming Events



Cemetery Hike

January 16, Noon at the Patuxent Nature Center

Join a volunteer ranger for a hike of the park's new Red Trail. The hike will be about 3.5 miles round trip, explores a new area of the southern park, and visits the historic Howard family cemetery. There are two "step across" creek crossings and varied terrain. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water. Meet at the Nature Center, which will be open after the hike.

Free.

Walk this Way Art Experience

January 14-22 along the Kingsley Trail at Little Bennett Regional Park

Slow down and connect with the natural elements surrounding the Kingsley Trail through play, observation, and appreciation with this newly-installed art experience on the one-mile trail. The signs along the trail invite participants to further explore the trail by igniting their imagination and encouraging them to think outside the box. The installation ends at the lawn that is home to the historic Kingsley Schoolhouse. Make sure to venture over the bridge to check it out! Parking is available on-site in the Kingsley Trailhead parking lot. The art is by Rockville-based multimedia artist Inga Adda.

Free.

MLK Day of Service Transcribe-a-Thon

January 17, 10-1pm In-person and 1-4pm Virtual from the Sandy Spring Museum

Explore the history of Sandy Spring through transcription! Transcribe original archival documents, helping to make these fascinating and important artifacts searchable and accessible to all.

Free.

Make Magazine Coasters for Seniors

January 17-22 Virtual Event from the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection

Make good use of magazines you have at home and repurpose them into coasters! This is a wonderful project hosted by the Montgomery County Department of Environment Protection.

Free.

Nature Search

January 19 and January 26, 10-11am at Brookside Nature Center

Join a Park Naturalist for a winter scavenger hunt in Wheaton Regional Park. Young park guest and their adult companion will look for colors, numbers, and other age-appropriate objects in nature. All attendees must register and pay. Make sure to dress for the weather and for natural surface trail conditions.

Intended for ages 3-5 yrs

Bring History to Life! Volunteer in Parks Historic Sites

January 19, 6-8:30pm Virtual or In Person

Share your love of history, the great outdoors, agriculture & old buildings with visitors of all ages.

Become a trained Montgomery Parks volunteer historic sites tour guide! Parks needs your help at these historic sites: [Oakley Cabin African American Museum](#) (Olney) and [Kingsley Schoolhouse](#)

(Clarksburg). Oakley Cabin docents (tour guides) share with visitors the history and culture of former African American tenants who lived there during the 19th century and other African American communities in the local area. Kingsley Schoolhouse docents share with visitors information about early education in Montgomery County in this 19th-century one-room schoolhouse. Free training and cool uniforms – shirts and hats – provided.

Free.

Montgomery History Conference

January 21-29

Join Montgomery History from January 21-29, 2022 for the 16th annual Montgomery County History Conference! This year the conference will be held in a virtual format hosted over nine days, offering myriad opportunities to take part online, including three keynote sessions, twelve breakout sessions, a movie screening, and a virtual Trivia Night!



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.

