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#### **Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees**

The Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) is governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees (Board), including the Governor, Senate President, and House Speaker or their designees, and 12 members appointed by the Governor. At least two trustees must be qualified with an advanced degree in archaeology or a closely related field and shall have experience in the field of archaeology. Of the trustees qualified in the field of archaeology, at least one must have experience in the field of submerged archaeology and at least one must have experience in the field of terrestrial archaeology. The term of a member is four years. The Board also includes representatives appointed by the Board, from areas of the state not represented by current Board members, who participate to the full extent as Board members, but cannot vote in full meetings.

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#### Who We Are & What We Do

Founded in 1961, MHT is the state agency dedicated to preserving and interpreting the legacy of Maryland's past. Led by Director and State Historic Preservation Officer Elizabeth Hughes, MHT is governed by a 15-member Board. Operating within the Maryland Department of Planning (Planning) and located in Crownsville, MHT serves as the State Historic Preservation Office, charged with implementing federal preservation programs at the state level.

The Office of Research, Survey, and Registration handles the state's information on historic properties and archaeological sites. This office supports new archaeological and architectural surveys, maintains the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties (MIHP) and



Medusa, mapping historic landmarks

online tools for archaeological and architectural research, and forwards nominations to the National Park Service's (NPS) National Register of Historic Places. This office also provides funding through the Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program and maintains the MHT Library with an extensive collection of resources.

The Office of Planning, Education, and Outreach produces the five-year statewide preservation plan, provides planning assistance for local governments, and partners with organizations and agencies to produce educational programming. This office coordinates MHT's communications efforts and offers grants for heritage tourism through the Maryland Heritage Areas Program and for planning activities through the Certified Local Government (CLG) Program.

The Office of Preservation Services includes the Maryland Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Program, African American Heritage Preservation Program, and Historic Preservation Capital Grant and Loan programs. This office also reviews state and federal actions for impacts to historic and cultural resources and manages the state's historic preservation easements. The Maryland Maritime Archaeology Program is also housed in this office.

The Office of Archaeology is responsible for studying, promoting, and preserving Maryland's rich archaeological heritage. Consisting of both terrestrial and maritime programs, MHT conducts research and coordinates public lectures, fieldwork opportunities, and the dissemination of information about Maryland's archaeological sites. Archaeology personnel and resources are distributed throughout MHT to accomplish the work of this office, which also coordinates with the gubernatorial-appointed Maryland Advisory Committee on Archaeology.

Located on 560 acres on the Patuxent River in Calvert County, Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum (JPPM) is the state museum of archaeology, offering events, tours, lectures, school visits, and workshops related to the site's historic and prehistoric heritage. The park is home to the Maryland Archaeological Conservation (MAC) Laboratory (Lab), a state-of-the-art facility dedicated to archaeological conservation and research.

The Office of Management oversees the administrative functions of the agency, and includes the director and deputy director, human resources and personnel management, and budget and grants management. The Governor's Commission on Maryland Military Monuments is also coordinated through this office.

## Maryland's Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Program

#### Competitive Commercial Tax Credits: FY22 Awards

Each year, owners of income-producing properties can compete for a state income tax credit of up to 20% of eligible expenses for substantial rehabilitation projects. Projects with high-performance buildings or low-income housing may also be eligible for an additional 5% credit, and projects participating in the Opportunity Zone program may qualify for enhancements of up to an additional 7.5%, as well as a higher per project cap. Since it began in 1996, the Maryland Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Program has invested more than \$425 million in communities across the state.

In FY22, 15 applicants sought more than \$18.8 million in tax credits for construction projects with a total estimated cost exceeding \$111 million. MHT awarded more than \$9 million in tax credits for FY22, which are expected to leverage more than \$64 million of private investment in the six projects described below.

#### Wilkins Rogers Mill - Howard County (\$3 million in tax credits)

Located on the site of the historic Ellicott Brothers' Grist Mill, the Wilkins Rogers Mill sits on the banks of the Patapsco River across from the historic core of Ellicott City. Large interior and exterior silos date from 1916-1917 with some later additions. As the last active flour mill in the state, operations ceased in 2020. Historically an industrial complex, the mill will become a mixed-use property with residential apartments and amenities, retail spaces, a restaurant, and a small museum that highlights the history of the site and the importance of flour production in the surrounding region.



## Becker Brothers/Gieske & Neimann Tobacco Warehouse Baltimore City (\$1.75 million in tax credits)

The Gieske & Neimann Tobacco Warehouse, a three-story Classical Revival warehouse with castiron and brick ornamentation, was constructed in 1875 by the Becker Brothers of Baltimore. It has been in light industrial use for the tobacco industry since its construction. Its location next to the railway line and three blocks from Gay Street, East Baltimore's main commercial and industrial corridor, made it convenient for importing and exporting raw and finished materials. The project will rehabilitate the existing building into updated commercial space to accommodate new commercial and retail programming.

## Eastern Health District Building Baltimore City (\$3 million in tax credits)

The City of Baltimore constructed the Eastern Health District Building (also known as the Huntington Williams Building) in 1953-1954 based on designs by Baltimore architect Charles Dana Loomis. Established in 1932, the Eastern Health District formed as a partnership between the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health and the Baltimore City



Health Department. The building, named after former Baltimore City Health Department Director Huntington Williams, is an excellent example of the International Style, featuring clean modernist lines, low horizontal massing, ribbon windows, and high-quality materials, including limestone and black serpentine. The modernist design reflects the spirit of progress, optimism, and technology of the mid-20th century. This project will convert the vacant office building into laboratory and office spaces.

## Maryland's Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Program



#### Updegraff Building - Washington County (\$847,957 in tax credits)

Built in 1882 and located in the Hagerstown Commercial Core Historic District, the Updegraff building once housed a department store and may have also housed a glove factory on the upper floors. The front façade is remarkably intact, with Eastlake design elements, the original metal cornice, and decorative brickwork. The building will be converted into apartments with a restaurant and brewery on the ground floor.

#### Randall House - Anne Arundel County (\$194,074 in tax credits)

Located in the Colonial Annapolis Historic District across from the Maryland State House, the Randall House is a significant example of Queen Anne and Eastlake architecture styles. The duplex building is one of the first of several large residences situated to face the circle and North Street. It survives as an important example of the influence British architecture had in America in the late 19th century. The project will convert one side of the duplex into a boutique hotel by removing non-historic interior partitions and adding new ones to create nine guest suites.





#### Earles Building - Washington County (\$394,121 in tax credits)

The Tudor Revival Earles Building (also known as the Holly Building), constructed in 1926, features cast stone decorative elements and a crenelated parapet on its Washington Street façade. Despite past modifications to the building, most notably to its storefront, many other features remain intact, including the historic steel windows. The building housed several department stores and discount retail chains on the ground floor, with rental office spaces available on the upper floors. The project will rehabilitate the building into apartments with a commercial space on the ground floor.

#### Small Commercial Tax Credits

In 2014, Maryland expanded the program to include a new \$4 million small commercial tax credit for modest rehabilitation projects. This authorization had become fully subscribed by the end of 2020, and in 2021, the legislature approved an additional \$1 million to increase the authorization to \$5 million, which went into effect in FY22. The Maryland Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Program approved 23 proposed small commercial projects in FY22 worth approximately \$942,500 in tax credits before the additional authorization was fully subscribed.

#### Homeowner Tax Credits

In Maryland, homeowners can earn a state income tax credit equal to 20% of qualified rehabilitation expenses for projects costing \$5,000 or more. In FY22, the Maryland Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Program approved 150 proposed residential projects worth an estimated \$1.48 million in tax credits.

## Maryland's Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Program

## Success Story: Phillips Packing Company, Plant F Dorchester County

Originally constructed in 1920 by T. Milbourne Bramble for the Cambridge Furniture Company, Plant F was acquired by the Phillips Packing Company in 1930 and is the only surviving building from the canning empire in Cambridge, once known as the tomato canning capital of the world.

A survey map of the Phillips Packing Company holdings prepared in 1949 indicates that Plant F was used for vegetable canning and making noodles, presumably to put in soups. The building is significant not only for its association with the Eastern Shore's canning industry but also for its 20th-century industrial architecture; it retains character-defining elements such as a simple brick exterior with repetitive bays and large, steel framed windows. Two brick smokestacks with "PPCO" in white letters are still extant and visible from the surrounding area.

The recently completed rehabilitation of the long-vacant and deteriorating 60,000 square foot Plant F building included the retention of



all remaining historic windows and doors, as well as the reintroduction of features that were missing or altered, including the restoration of the Dorchester Street elevation with its long run of repeating bays. The exterior brick walls and smokestacks were repaired and stabilized. The project exposed and repaired the historic monitor roof and repaired and replaced interior finishes such as beadboard, brick walls, quarry tile floors, the underside of the corrugated metal roof, and glazed walls. The interior maintains an open, light-filled, multi-story space that reflects its appearance during the peak of its industrial use.

Cross Street Partners, in partnership with Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, repurposed Plant F into a technology and creative hub, featuring a local food cooperative, event and community gathering spaces, coworking office space, eateries, and a commercial business incubator kitchen.

Governed by the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (MHAA) and administered by MHT, the Maryland Heritage Areas Program provides targeted financial and technical assistance within 13 locally designated heritage areas, each of which represents unique aspects of Maryland's historic, natural, and cultural character. In FY22, Maryland's Heritage Areas continued to grow through boundary amendments to the Baltimore National, Heart of the Civil War, Beach to Bay, Stories of the Chesapeake, Chesapeake Crossroads, and Mountain Maryland Gateway to the West heritage areas. These boundary amendments brought in dozens more natural, cultural, and historical partner organizations that offer new resources, engaging stories, and meaningful heritage perspectives.

In FY22, 206 grant applications from nonprofits and local jurisdictions were submitted, requesting more than \$9 million for heritage tourism projects and activities. MHAA awarded a total of \$5.1 million to 118 projects that foster economic development through heritage tourism, leveraging \$12,940,460 in non-state matching support. Capital and non-capital projects comprised \$3,432,225 of the total grants awarded. MHAA grants also helped support the operations of the 13 heritage area management entities (totaling \$1,238,734) as well as 11 block grants (totaling \$262,000), and six grants for marketing (totaling \$210,000). The block grants provide funding for smaller non-capital heritage tourism grants (or "mini-grants," typically under \$5,000), which heritage area management entities can distribute within their jurisdictions.

Making the MHAA Grant Program More Equitable. MHAA and a racial equity facilitator, Symphonic Strategies, began early phases of a program review, guided by a Racial Equity Working Group comprised of MHAA representatives, Heritage Area representatives, representatives from the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture (MCAAHC), and members of the public. Symphonic Strategies' work will include a review of MHAA program documents as well as partner and constituent interviews. The resulting report will provide recommendations to improve racial equity considerations in grant-making and outline next steps.

#### FY22 Maryland Heritage Areas Authority Grants

County	Organization Name	Project Title	Grant Amount
Allegany	Allegany Museum, Inc.	Allegany Museum's Creation of New Exhibition Space	\$64,500
Allegany	Board of County Commissioners of Allegany County	Washington Street Library Restoration	\$95,000
Allegany	Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority	FY22 Management Plan Update	\$30,050
Allegany	Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
Allegany	Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority	FY22 Block Grant	\$100,000

County	Organization Name	Project Title	Grant Amount
Anne Arundel	Chesapeake Arts Center, Inc.	Expanded Gallery Space and Exhibitions Program at Chesapeake Arts Center	\$62,750
Anne Arundel	Smithsonian Environmental Research Center	Woodlawn Heritage Trail Planning and Design	\$25,000
Anne Arundel	Galesville Heritage Society, Inc.	Replacement and Acquisition of Outdoor Interpretive Panels	\$8,524
Anne Arundel	London Town Foundation, Inc.	Enhancing the Visitor Experience in the Gardens	\$15,765
Anne Arundel	Galesville Community Center Organization, Inc.	Persistence, Purpose and Preservation: Rosenwald Schools in Anne Arundel County	\$49,500
Anne Arundel	Annapolis, London Town, and South County Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Marketing Grant	\$25,000
Anne Arundel	Annapolis, London Town, and South County Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Anne Arundel	Annapolis, London Town, and South County Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
Anne Arundel	Annapolis Maritime Museum, Inc.	Lighting the Park – A Public Safety and Accessibility Project	\$95,000
Anne Arundel	Annapolis Maritime Museum, Inc.	Outdoor Exhibits: An Extension of "Our Changing Waterfront"	\$40,000
Anne Arundel	NPS, Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail	Star-Spangled Banner Trail Mobile Visitor Center	\$32,000
Anne Arundel	Historic St. Mary's City Foundation, Inc.	Maryland Dove Chesapeake Bay Heritage Tour	\$25,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Streetcar Museum, Inc.	Museum Exhibition Phase 2: Completion of the Main Gallery Exhibition	\$49,850
Baltimore City	Pride of Baltimore, Inc.	ReENGINEering Pride of Baltimore	\$95,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Heritage Area Association, Inc.	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
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Baltimore City	Baltimore Heritage Area Association, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Baltimore City	Historic Ships in Baltimore, Inc.	USS Constellation Critical Dry Docking	\$95,000
Baltimore City	The Peale Center for Baltimore History and Architecture, Inc.	Peale Museum Final Interior Renovations and Finishes	\$95,000
Baltimore City	B'nai Israel Congregation of Baltimore, Inc.	B'nai Israel Preservation Project	\$23,067
Baltimore City	Poe Baltimore, Inc.	Edgar Allan Poe House Visitor Center	\$95,000
Baltimore City	Living Classrooms Foundation, Inc.	Living Classrooms' Post-Pandemic Fleet Restoration	\$63,336
Baltimore City	Mayor and City Council of Baltimore	Installing the Stage for Black Heritage Tourism in West Baltimore	\$70,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Office of Promotion & the Arts, Inc.	Bromo Seltzer Arts Tower Development and Rehabilitation	\$80,000
Baltimore City	Greater Remington Improvement Association, Inc.	Ghost Rivers Neighborhood History Installation	\$47,110
Baltimore City	The Star-Spangled Banner Flag House Association, Inc.	Archeological Survey of the Star- Spangled Banner Flag House	\$50,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Heritage, Inc.	Diversifying Baltimore Heritage's Virtual & In-Person Content with Student Research	\$7,500
Baltimore County	Catonsville Rails to Trails, Inc.	Catonsville Cycling Connection II	\$5,000
Baltimore County	Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
Baltimore County	Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY22 Marketing Grant	\$10,000
Baltimore County	Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Baltimore County	B'more Artists Guild, Inc.	Music Heritage Concert Series	\$15,400
Calvert	Browns UMC Multi Cultural Heritage Center, Inc.	Brown United Methodist Church Stabilization	\$8,500

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Calvert	Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Calvert	Calvert Marine Museum Society, Inc.	Making Community Connections: An Interpretative Plan for the Maritime Gallery	\$50,000
Calvert	American Chestnut Land Trust, Inc.	Phase 2: Parkers Creek Heritage Trail	\$25,827
Calvert	Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland	Southern Maryland Grandma's Hands Recipe Video Project	\$24,500
Calvert	Friends of Calvert Cliffs State Park, Inc.	Marsh Restoration to Improve User Experience and Increase Nature Tourism	\$20,555
Calvert	JPPM	Patterson Center Greenhouse Conservation Project	\$6,070
Caroline	County Council of Dorchester County	Interpretive Planning Along the Chesapeake Country Byway	\$50,000
Caroline	Eastern Shore Heritage, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$45,033
Caroline	Eastern Shore Heritage, Inc.	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
Carroll	Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Marketing Grant	\$25,000
Carroll	Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Carroll	The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Westminster	Historic Durbin House, Adaptive Reuse-Phase I	\$95,000
Carroll	County Commissioners of Carroll County	Stitching History: Connecting Our Community Through Quilting and the Carroll County Barn Quilt Trail	\$23,000
Cecil	Lower Susquehanna Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
Cecil	Lower Susquehanna Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Charles	Friends of Chapman State Park, Inc.	Keys to History: Making Mount Aventine Accessible for All	\$7,750
Charles	Friends of Maxwell Hall, Inc.	Maxwell Hall: Discovering and Raising New Voices: Phase I Research and Geophysical Survey	\$18,000

County	Organization Name	Project Title	Grant Amount
Dorchester	Waugh Chapel United Methodist Church, Inc	Waugh Chapel United Methodist Church Cemetery Restoration	\$5,000
Dorchester	County Council of Dorchester County	Saving the Historic Bayly Cabin	\$25,250
Dorchester	The Friends of Stanley Institute, Inc.	Christ Rock United Methodist Church	\$11,825
Dorchester	The Nanticoke Historic Preservation Alliance, Inc.	Handsell Front Porch Restoration	\$21,000
Dorchester	County Council of Dorchester County	FY22 Marketing Grant	\$50,000
Dorchester	County Council of Dorchester County	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
Dorchester	County Council of Dorchester County	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Dorchester	Alpha Genesis Community Development Corporation	Harriet's Journey Home Sculpture	\$50,000
Dorchester	Mace's Lane Community Center, Inc.	Edythe M. Jolley Museum and Cultural Center Construction	\$95,000
Frederick	Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc.	Only the Third Owner: Saving a Worker House in Historic Catoctin Furnace	\$100,000
Frederick	Main Street Middletown, Inc.	Phase 2 Rehabilitation of 19 West Main Street	\$44,463
Frederick	The Delaplaine Arts Center, Inc.	Roof Replacement & Window Sill Restoration	\$80,861
Frederick	Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
Frederick	The African American Resources- Cultural and Heritage Society Incorporated	Visitor Experience Plan for the National Shrine Grotto	\$10,737
Frederick	Mount Saint Mary's University, Inc.	Children and the Celtic Way (Festival Expansion)	\$6,000
Garrett	Highland Festival of Garrett County, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Garrett	Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, Inc. Home of Deep Creek Lake	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000

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Garrett	Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, Inc. Home of Deep Creek Lake	FY22 Block Grant	\$12,000
Garrett	Garrett County Trails, Inc.	Trail User & Activity Survey	\$5,483
Garrett	Spruce Forest Artisan Village, Inc.	Restoration and Repurposing of Granary Building	\$45,000
Harford	Steppingstone Museum Association, Inc.	Invigorating the Land of Promise: Essential Preservation and Enhancement Project FY22	\$7,500
Harford	The Friends of Concord Point Lighthouse, Inc.	Preserve Concord Point's Lighthouse and Keeper's House	\$11,174
Harford	The Hosanna Community House, Inc.	Transition to Freedom: Signage of Significant Sites	\$30,937
Harford	Havre De Grace Decoy Museum, Inc.	Oral Histories - Enhancing the Visitor Experience at the Havre de Grace Decoy Museum	\$25,000
Howard	EC250, INC.	Ellicott City's Sestercentennial Commemorative Celebration Events	\$40,000
Kent	Washington College	Chesapeake Heartland: Mapping African American Heritage	\$50,000
Kent	Bayside H.O.Y.A.S., Inc.	Frederick Douglass Celebration (Day of Acknowledgement)	\$35,387
Kent	Town of Rock Hall	Telling Our Story: Rebuilding Rock Hall's Infrastructure through Strategic Planning	\$10,000
Kent	Town of Millington	Freedom Trail Serenity Park	\$9,200
Kent	Kent Cultural Alliance, Inc.	Raimond Center Interior - Final Phase	\$95,000
Montgomery	Conference and Visitors Bureau of Montgomery County, Inc.	FY22 Marketing Grant	\$50,000
Montgomery	IUL Smithville School Museum and Education Center	Property Rehabilitation & Charles McGee STEM Program Project	\$25,000
Montgomery	Audubon Naturalist Society of the Central Atlantic States, Inc.	Interpreting the Natural and Cultural Heritage of Woodend	\$50,000
Montgomery	Grand United Order of Oddfellows Sandy Spring Lodge #6430, Inc.	Fabrication of the Sandy Spring Odd Fellows Hall Signs	\$5,000
Montgomery	The Menare Foundation, Inc.	Barn Restoration-Phase II	\$19,000

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Montgomery	National Capital Historical Museum of Transportation, Inc.	Truck Overhaul to Support the Body of CTCo 1430 Trolley	\$35,000
Montgomery	The Montgomery County Historical Society, Inc.	Local History in a Digital World: Montgomery History's New Website	\$50,000
Montgomery	Scotland A.M.E. Zion Church	Phase 2 Stabilization Completion and Elevation of Scotland A.M.E. Zion Church	\$95,000
Montgomery	Heritage Tourism Alliance of Montgomery County, Inc.	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
Montgomery	Heritage Tourism Alliance of Montgomery County, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Prince George's	World Arts Focus, Inc.	Joe's Movement Emporium's Story of Water and Art	\$50,000
Prince George's	Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Block Grant	\$25,000
Prince George's	Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$100,000
Prince George's	Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Marketing Grant	\$50,000
Prince George's	City of College Park	Lakeland Community Heritage Augmented Reality Tour	\$15,000
Prince George's	Town of North Brentwood	North Brentwood Dance Pavilion Construction	\$55,000
Queen Anne's	Calvary-Asbury United Methodist Church	Dudley's Chapel Roof Replacement	\$37,550
Queen Anne's	Queen Anne's County Department of Parks & Recreation	Before the Bridge - Matapeake Clubhouse, Restoration, Site Improvements and Interpretation	\$25,000
Queen Anne's	Kent Narrows Development Foundation, Inc.	Kent Narrows Waterfront: Pedestrian Wayfinding Project with Maritime Heritage Enhancements	\$19,000

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Somerset	Beach to Bay Heritage Area, Inc.	FY22 Management Grant	\$93,701
St. Mary's	Historic St. Mary's City Foundation, Inc.	1634 St. Mary's Fort Pavilion Construction	\$50,000
St. Mary's	Historic Sotterley, Inc.	Historic Sotterley - Transcending Barriers to Common Ground	\$15,015
Talbot	Talbot County Parks and Recreation	Frederick Douglass Park on the Tuckahoe - Park Development and Interpretive Plan Phase I	\$50,000
Talbot	Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Inc.	Watercraft Heritage Exhibition	\$50,000
Washington	Washington County Historical Trust, Inc.	Saylor House in Kiwanis Park, Hagerstown Restoration	\$30,849
Washington	The Hagerstown Aviation Museum, Inc.	Dome Hangar Visitor Experience Project 2021	\$8,081
Washington	Town of Sharpsburg	Sharpsburg Interpretive Plaza	\$22,433
Washington	City of Hagerstown	Jonathan Hager House Visitor Center	\$25,000
Wicomico	Beach to Bay Heritage Area, Inc.	All Hallows Episcopal Church Historic Structure Report	\$10,000
Wicomico	The Ward Foundation, Inc.	Nature Trail Interpretation	\$23,423
Worcester	Furnace Town Foundation Incorporated	Furnace Town Rehabilitation	\$26,000
Worcester	Town of Snow Hill	Upgrade and Refurbishment of Paddlewheel Ship's Hull	\$29,715
Worcester	Pocomoke City, Maryland	Sturgis One-Room African- American School Museum & 1850 Heritage House	\$10,000
Worcester	Delmarva Discovery Center & Museum, Inc.	Otter Exhibition Emergency Repairs	\$27,788

#### Success Story:

#### **Nanticoke River Jamboree (Dorchester County)**



On October 9, 2021, the Nanticoke Historic Preservation Alliance (NHPA) hosted the Nanticoke River Jamboree, a living history event that also marked the culmination of several grant-funded projects to restore the brick house known as Handsell, which dates to the late 1700s. MHAA provided \$78,300 in matching grant support to the restoration project over multiple years, as well as \$28,445 in planning and documentation work prior to restoration. This funding includes MHAA's FY22 grant of \$21,000 to repair the building's front porch. MHT's Historic Preservation Capital Grant Program also invested \$48,000 in the project in 2008.

Handsell sits on the ancestral land of the Nanticoke people, and the NHPA strives to share an inclusive set of stories through its programming and exhibits. The jamboree included representation from the Nanticoke, the Pocomoke Indian Nation, the Lenni Lenape of Delaware, and the Nause-Waiwash Band of Indians. Alongside the stories of indigenous people and settlers with European ancestry, Handsell also focuses on the history of Africans and African Americans – both enslaved and free – who lived and worked on the site over the years. A memorial to the enslaved people of Handsell was dedicated as a part of the day's events.



Visit the Nanticoke Historic Preservation Alliance's website to see upcoming events and chances to visit the historic house and replica village site: <a href="https://www.restorehandsell.org">www.restorehandsell.org</a>

The African American Heritage Preservation Program (AAHPP) encourages the preservation of buildings, sites, and communities of historical and cultural significance to the African American experience in Maryland. Permanently reauthorized in 2015, the program is jointly sponsored by MCAAHC and MHT. Of the 39 eligible project proposals requesting nearly \$3.3 million for FY22, MCAAHC allocated \$1 million to 13 projects. The following grant awards were approved by the MHT Board and the Secretary of Planning and announced in November 2021.

#### FY22 Grant Awards

#### Banneker-Douglass Museum (formerly Mt. Moriah AME Church) Annapolis, Anne Arundel County (\$100,000)

Built in 1874 by a free Black congregation with roots back to 1799, Mt. Moriah AME Church is one of Maryland's earliest African American churches. Over its history, Mt. Moriah served as a house of worship, an educational facility, and a meeting place for social and cultural events. It is currently the home of the Banneker-Douglass Museum, a state-owned museum of African American history and culture. The grant project includes interior flooring repairs.



#### Sphinx Club - Baltimore City (\$100,000)

Opened in 1946 by Charlie Tilghman in an era of segregated public venues, the Sphinx Club was one of the nation's first minority-owned membership night clubs. The Sphinx Club became the center of social life along Pennsylvania Avenue, where African Americans could enjoy some of America's most famous musicians and entertainers, and it remained in operation until the 1990s. Grant funds will assist the Druid Heights Community Development Corporation in developing plans for stabilization, creating a conceptual design, and continuing stabilization efforts. Once complete, the Sphinx Club will be used as commercial space for artists and community education purposes.

## Mt. Nebo AME Church – Upper Marlboro Prince George's County (\$67,000)

Constructed in 1925 to replace an earlier building from 1877, the Mt. Nebo AME Church is the only surviving AME church in Prince George's County from the 20th century. Due to this rare status, in 2012 it was nominated by Preservation Maryland to their Endangered Maryland list. The current project will augment and continue the work underway to rehabilitate the building for use as a community center.



#### St. James AME Church - Havre de Grace Harford County (\$55,000)

One of the oldest African American churches in Harford County, St. James AME Church traces its roots to 1849. In 1864, members of the Gravel Hill community constructed the gable-front frame church building, which also served as a school and social hall. Extensive renovations and additions were completed in the 1970s and 1980s. Adjacent to the church is St. James AME Cemetery, where several Civil War veterans are buried. Grant funds will assist with exterior repairs and other rehabilitation work, as well as an assessment of the cemetery.



#### Bethel AME Church - Mountain Lake Park, Garrett County (\$100,000)

Built on a lot in Oakland purchased by trustees in 1895, Bethel AME Church served as a house of worship for a small Black community in Garrett County. The property was foreclosed on in the 1930s and a local farmer purchased the structure, disassembled it in large pieces, and reassembled it on a nearby farm for use as a carriage house and blacksmith shop. The sale of the church coincided with an exodus of African Americans from Garrett County caused by racial terror and economic conditions. Grant funds will help Engage Mountain Maryland, Inc., move the gable-roofed frame building to the town of Mountain Lake Park for use as a community gathering space.

### Havre de Grace Colored School Museum and Cultural Center Havre de Grace, Harford County (\$100,000)

In 1910, Harford County Public Schools constructed the original, two-room Havre de Grace Colored School to educate primary-school-age Black children. In 1930, a four-room brick addition expanded the building to create the first public high school for African American students in Harford County, who would no longer have to travel to



Baltimore City, Cecil County, or Pennsylvania to receive a high school education. The property currently serves as a museum and cultural center, and grant funds will help alleviate water infiltration issues and repair the foundation and water-damaged interior.



#### Scotland AME Zion Church – Potomac Montgomery County (\$100,000)

After the Civil War, freed men and women established a settlement known as "Snakes Den" along Seven Locks Road. In 1924, community members constructed the Scotland AME Zion Church. Throughout the 1960s, discriminatory financing practices left many in the community vulnerable to development pressure and condemnation, and the church served as the hub for a successful community resistance. Grant funds will assist with exterior repairs and other rehabilitation work.

### Franklin Cemetery (Tanyard Cemetery) – Deale Anne Arundel County (\$18,000)

Located in the small community of Deale, the Tanyard-Franklin Cemetery is associated with the Franklin United Methodist Church, an African American gathering place in southern Anne Arundel County. Local residents as well as congregants of Franklin United Methodist Church are interred in the cemetery, with the oldest grave marker dating to 1842. Additionally, the cemetery holds the remains of Revolutionary War soldiers, including an African American drummer named Primus Thompson who fought in a skirmish at nearby Tracey's Landing. The grant will assist in the conservation and protection of the cemetery.





#### Bellevue Passage Museum - Royal Oak, Talbot County (\$56,000)

The Bellevue Passage Museum, launched to celebrate the historically African American maritime community of Bellevue, will be housed in one of the town's few remaining historic buildings, the John U. Greene Store. Built c. 1900 on a lot on Dawson Street, the small, single-story, rectangular frame building with a hipped roof has been moved several times throughout its history. The museum honors the first Black-owned businesses of the seafood and farming industries on the Eastern Shore. Grant funds will help the Mid-Shore Community Foundation, Inc., relocate the structure to a lot on East Poplar Street for museum use.

## Hollingsworth House at Historic Elk Landing Elkton, Cecil County (\$48,000)

Zebulon Hollingsworth built the original portion of Elk Landing's Hollingsworth House, adjacent to a once-navigable port at the confluence of two creeks, sometime after he acquired the property in 1735. When a fire gutted the house in 1848, the subsequent remodeling in Greek Revival style added an east wing, new roof, and front porch, as well as a kitchen with possible slave quarters above it. Grant funds



will help with the creation of a partial Historic Structures Report that will investigate the building campaigns that came after the fire and assist in rehabilitating the space above the kitchen. Once complete, the Historic Elk Landing Foundation will have a new opportunity to interpret the African American experience at the site.



#### Carroll Family Farm - Nanjemoy, Charles County (\$56,000)

The Carroll Family Farm and Cemetery includes a vernacular frame farmhouse that was largely constructed in the late-nineteenth century by Lelita (Lottie) Diggs. Formerly enslaved, Diggs later became the matriarch of the influential Carroll family who helped found Mt. Hope Baptist Church, the site of the oldest Baptist African American congregation in Charles County. Significantly, this property has remained in the ownership of the same family from the late 19th century to the present. This grant will be the first step to transform this vacant property into a heritage and cultural site.

#### Sanaa Center - Baltimore City (\$100,000)

Located in the Old West Baltimore National Register Historic District, the Sanaa Center will expand the adjacent Harris-Marcus Center, originally built in 1936, to include co-working and arts incubator spaces, as well as outdoor site improvements. The Sanaa Center will also help provide the creative community with resources and programming with workshops, residencies, masterclasses, coaching, and networking, enabling artists to realize their economic potential. The Pennsylvania Avenue Black Arts and Entertainment District, Inc., will use grant funds for acquisition and pre-development of this project, which is intended to support Black artists, entertainers, and entrepreneurs.



#### St. Paul Church – Denton, Caroline County (\$100,000)

The St. Paul Church is one of the earliest African American churches in Caroline County, with burials in the associated cemetery dating back to at least the 1840s. The church building was purchased from the white Concord United Methodist Church, and it serves as a historical landmark for African American citizens in the county. FY22 funding will focus on the church's exterior. The church building will no longer be used for religious purposes, but as a community center to host events, as meeting and office space, and to promote awareness of local African American culture in the 19th and 20th centuries.



## Success Story: Bowling Alley at Liberty Grace Church of God (Baltimore City)

Built in 1925, Ashburton's Liberty Grace Church of God (formerly First United Church of Jesus Christ) included an unusual three-lane bowling alley in its basement. Although the bowling alley closed in 1960, Senior Pastor Dr. Terris A. King recognized the significance of the facility to the Ashburton community after reading Antero Pietila's first book, "Not in My Neighborhood: How Bigotry Shaped a Great American City," which details the struggle of African Americans and Jewish immigrants as they migrated to Maryland and settled throughout Baltimore. According to Pietila, the West Baltimore neighborhood of Ashburton became the first neighborhood in the nation to openly embrace integration between African Americans, Jews, and non-Jewish whites. When the bowling alley closed in 1960, white and lewish people had begun to leave the neighborhood. The Liberty Grace Church of God applied to the AAHPP for funding in FY20 to rehabilitate the bowling alley. Now open for church events and by appointment for small groups, the bowling alley also serves as a museum that highlights the unique history and relationship between the African American and Jewish communities of Ashburton.



#### Success Story: Mt. Gilboa AME Church (Baltimore County)

The Mt. Gilboa AME Church was constructed in 1859 on a worship site that has served the Black community since the 18th century. In 1836, the Ellicott family formally deeded the property to the Black community as "an African Meeting House and School House," as long as the property continued to function for religious and educational purposes. Built by free Blacks, the church houses the oldest active African American congregation in Baltimore County. The two-story building was designed as a worship center on



the upper level and, on the lower level, as a one-room school and social center from the late 1800's to early 1900's. Free Black scientist, inventor, and mathematician Benjamin Banneker worshiped and attended school there. In FY18, AAHPP grant funds helped restore the windows and the portico. The building will continue to be used for religious purposes, as a space to educate and memorialize a rich African American legacy which includes Benjamin Banneker, and as a meeting place for community organizations.





## **Historic Preservation Capital Grants & Loans**

The Historic Preservation Capital Grant Program provides support for preservation-related acquisition and construction projects, as well as for architectural, engineering, archaeology, and consulting services needed in the development of construction projects. Nonprofit organizations, government entities, business organizations, and individuals are eligible to apply for funds to rehabilitate, restore, or acquire properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (see p. 24). For FY22, the Historic Preservation Capital Grant Program received a \$600,000 appropriation, with \$596,000 awarded and an emergency fund planned for the remaining funds. Of the 41 applications requesting approximately \$3.2 million, seven projects were approved for funding by MHT Board and the Secretary of Planning.

The Historic Preservation Loan Fund offers low-interest loans to nonprofit organizations, business and government entities, and individuals to refinance, acquire, or rehabilitate properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Loan applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

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## US Coast Guard Cutter WHEC-37 (X-Taney) Baltimore City (\$85,000)

Located at the Inner Harbor in downtown Baltimore City and commissioned in 1936, this National Historic Landmark had a 50-year plus active career with the US Coast Guard and remains the only United States fighting ship still afloat which saw action during the attack on Pearl Harbor. The ship is currently used as a memorial and museum. Capital grant funds will help apply a protective coating on the ship's white superstructure above the main deck, which will provide long-term protection from the salt air and weather and greatly enhance the ship's outward appearance for the visiting public.





### Charles H. Chipman Cultural Center – Salisbury, Wicomico County (\$100,000)

The Charles H. Chipman Center is the oldest African American congregation and a site of many firsts, including the first site for African Americans to hold religious services in the region during and after slavery, the first school for children of freed slaves in the region, and the first Delmarva Peninsula high school for African American students after the Civil War. The original church dates to 1838 but has been enlarged and evolved stylistically to what exists today. The building currently serves as a cultural center and small museum focusing on African American heritage on Delmarva. The wood shingle roof of the building has reached the end of its useful life, so the capital grant funds will help replace the roof in-kind.

#### Easton Armory – Easton, Talbot County (\$90,000)

The imposing Easton Armory, also known as the Waterfowl Building, reflects the period when armories were built to resemble fortresses. Built in 1927, the building served as an armory and social space for the Easton community until it was acquired by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in 1976. Since 1997, the building has primarily served as administrative headquarters for Waterfowl Festival, Inc., providing space for staff, volunteers, storage, and events. Capital grant funds will help complete the rehabilitation of several original metal windows.



## **Historic Preservation Capital Grants & Loans**

### Buckingham House and Industrial School Complex/Bank Barn – Adamstown, Frederick County (\$100,000)

Established in 1898 to provide housing and education for boys in poverty, the Buckingham Industrial School for Boys includes a 6,300 square foot, hemlock-framed Pennsylvania Bank Barn. The barn represents a type of large agricultural outbuilding found throughout central and northern Maryland and still retains its original pine siding, wood roof, and interiors. These barns were generally built into the side of a small hill and have a ramp that provides access to a second floor. Capital grant funds will help restore the barn's doors and stone cheek walls and reconstruct the roof vents to match the original design. The barn will be used as a meeting space and for youth summer camp programming.



#### Stone House at Elk Landing - Elkton, Cecil County (\$61,000)

The Stone House at Elk Landing, built in 1782-83, is significant for its architecture and association with early Scandinavian and Finnish settlements in Maryland. Its simple fieldstone construction, original center hall plan, and symmetrical massing are characteristic of late-18th-century vernacular dwellings in northeastern Maryland. The house includes a rare exterior-corner fireplace that is vented at the eaves. The other fireplace in the house was more common in Maryland, a type that sits back-to-back at interior corners and shares a common chimney stack that exits at the roof ridge. The Historic Elk Landing Foundation currently operates the house for historical interpretation and fundraising activities, although these activities are limited due to its current condition. Capital grant funds will help restore the stone fireplaces and will support exterior masonry work.

## Parren J. Mitchell House and Cultural Center Baltimore City (\$100,000)

This property is best known as the long-time home of Parren J. Mitchell, a renowned professor, scholar, and Maryland's first African American U.S. Congressman, serving from 1971 to 1987. A World War II veteran and Purple Heart recipient, Mitchell also helped found the Congressional Black Caucus. In 1950, he won a landmark legal case against the segregated University of Maryland that allowed admission for all races into their graduate school. He became the first African American to graduate with a master's degree from the university, and his case is considered instrumental in the desegregation of higher education in Maryland. Capital grant funds will help the Upton Planning Committee complete an overall interior and exterior rehabilitation of the house, which will serve as a community and resource center.





#### Hays House - Bel Air, Harford County (\$50,000)

Constructed around 1788, the Hays House was originally owned by Thomas A. Hays, the cartographer of the earliest known map of the town. It is the oldest private residence in Bel Air, distinguished by its gambrel roof – the only one in town. While there have been few alterations to the exterior over time, in 1960 preservation advocates moved it one block from its original site to save it from demolition. Hays House now serves as a house museum and the headquarters of the Historical Society of Harford County. The capital grant project will assist in restoring the north wall, which is severely deteriorated due to prolonged moisture issues.

## **Historic Preservation Capital Grants & Loans**

## Success Story: Baltimore and Ohio West Bound Tower (Frederick County)

Constructed c.1910, the B&O WB Tower is the westbound railroad control tower for the Brunswick stop. This vernacular structure was a typical building type for the B&O Railroad at that time, but it serves as an important tangible and visual link to Brunswick's strong historical association with the railroad. This capital grant funded project saved the tower from demolition by moving it 200 feet north to another CSX Railroad parcel without jeopardizing its integrity or rendering the building ineligible for the National Register of Historic Places. To prepare the structure for moving, it was jacked onto I-beams placed underneath the floor joists, and then



onto Buckingham-power dollies, which were controlled by remote control. To move the tower across the tracks, a stone ramp base was built on both sides of the track, while steel plates and cribbing were placed on the tracks. Then the tower was lowered into place on the new concrete foundation, similar to its historic foundation. CSX donated the building to the City of Brunswick, which plans to rehabilitate the tower and use it to interpret railroad history.

## Success Story: Shriver Grist Mill Flume at Union Mills Homestead (Carroll County)

The Shriver Grist Mill in the Union Mills Homestead Historic District was built in 1792 along Big Pipe Creek outside of Westminster, an area once distinguished by a bustling commercial and transportation corridor that ran from Baltimore to Pittsburgh, PA. The mill building, built for \$420 (about \$9,400 today), features Flemish bond bricks that were made on site. The mill and its machinery have a patented design—the third ever issued by the United States—engineered by Oliver Evans in 1790. It remained active until 1942 when the machinery was sold for scrap metal to support the war effort during World War II. The Shriver Grist Mill received capital grant funding to restore the



mill flume, headgate bridge, and related gates. Today, the public can visit the site and, on some occasions, observe the functioning mill.







## National Register of Historic Places

As Maryland's federally-designated State Historic Preservation Office, MHT nominates Maryland properties to the National Register of Historic Places. Listing in the National Register confers recognition for a property's historic character and provides access to financial incentives, as well as a measure of protection from harm by federal- or state-funded projects. Properties newly listed in FY22 include:

The National Institute of Standards and Technology Historic District (listed 8/5/2021), built between 1962 and 1969, is a federal research campus located in Gaithersburg, Montgomery County. Vorhees Walker Smith & Haines designed the campus to include International Style buildings integrated into a landscape plan characteristic of Federal government research campuses in the Post-war Era.

The **Beatty-Cramer House** (listed 8/17/2021), located just outside of Frederick in Frederick County, is a rare surviving example of Dutch timber framing techniques, which were uncommon to this region. These techniques include Dutch H-bent timber framing with Flemish bond brick nogging, beaded corner posts, molded plates and brick chimneys.

The **John Sands House** (listed 12/22/2021) is a contributing resource in the National Register-listed Annapolis Historic District. Among the earliest frame dwellings in Annapolis (c. 1740), this unique architectural structure has a longitudinal gambrel roof, lobby-entry hall-parlor plan, central chimney, and partially expressed structural system – these combined features led to its recent individual nomination.

**Clifton Park**, a public park created in 1895 on the grounds of a former summer estate of Johns Hopkins, was originally listed on the National Register in 2007. Additional documentation recorded new findings about the Thompson/Hopkins mansion on the property, which was accepted as part of the National Register listing on 10/13/2021.



#### Highlight: Phillips Packing Company Plant F

Located in a small industrial area east of downtown Cambridge, the Plant F building (listed in the National Register on 10/28/2021) is the surviving property most closely associated with the Phillips Packing Company, a major player in the Eastern Shore's canning industry in the early- to mid-20th century. Around 1920, tomato canning company T. Milbourn Bramble built Plant F, which was enlarged several times after being acquired by the Phillips Packing Company in 1930. The building showcases early 20th-century factory architecture, featuring a relatively

plain brick exterior with steel awning windows. Around the time it purchased Plant F, the Phillips Packing Company grew to be the largest producer of canned tomatoes in the world, with Plant F its facility. Despite employing more than 2,500 people in Cambridge, helping to sustain the regional economy in the first half of the 20th century, working conditions at the factory were not ideal. A labor strike in 1937 at the Phillips Packing Company brought national attention to Cambridge, where 1,500 to 2,000 employees demanded a living wage and a 40-hour week. The strike brought together Black and white workers at a time when Cambridge (and Maryland) suffered under segregation and Jim Crow laws. The two-week strike was ultimately unsuccessful but did result in various workers unions taking shape at the company—with only some fully benefiting the workers—until the plant closed in 1962. (For more about the rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of Plant F, see p. 6.)

### **National Register of Historic Places**

#### Success Story: Including Baltimore's Civil Rights History in the National Register

Historic District witnessed white efforts to segregate Cultural Center, see p. 22). Mitchell was Maryland's first was president of the Baltimore branch of the NAACP. nomination for the Old West Baltimore Historic District





Home of Dr. Lillie Carroll Jackson





Through architectural research and survey, MHT helps to identify important historic properties, and develop a detailed record of their past and present appearance, history, and significance. This documentation informs decision-making about and treatment of historic places throughout the state. In FY22, staff added 206 standing structures and survey districts, as well as 90 updates, to the MIHP, totaling more than 9.345 acres.

#### Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grants – Architectural Research

In FY22, the Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program provided \$183,000 in funding to five projects for architectural research and survey. MHT received 24 applications for archaeological and architectural non-capital projects, totaling over \$1.1 million in requests.

### Documenting Dairy Farms in Northern Maryland Phase II Harford, Montgomery, and Washington Counties (\$40,000)

This project, conducted by the Center for Historic Architecture and Design at the University of Delaware, is part of a multi-year effort to document historic dairy farms and their associated farm structures – resources that are fast disappearing in Maryland. Phase II will produce approximately 12 MIHP forms, measured drawings for three farm complexes, and a brief historic context of dairy farming in each county.



Roop Farm. Photo: Center for Historic Architecture & Design.



Shed outside the De La Brooke Tobacco Barn in St. Mary's County.

### Southern Maryland Tobacco Barns Survey and Documentation Charles, Calvert, and St. Mary's Counties (\$42,000)

This University of Maryland project will survey tobacco barns built before c. 1870 in Southern Maryland, where tobacco was the economic mainstay for more than 350 years. Tobacco barns are an essential part of the process of air-curing tobacco, making them the defining feature of cultivation in the region. As the tobacco industry faded, these buildings became highly endangered due to functional obsolescence and development pressure. The survey will systematically identify and document previously unknown tobacco barns and update information on resources identified in earlier efforts, resulting in new and updated MIHP forms and a final survey report.

### A Survey of Brick Construction in Colonial Maryland Anne Arundel County (\$44,000)

The Anne Arundel County Trust for Preservation will trace the evolution and development of masonry building traditions in Maryland between 1634 and 1750. During this time period, the use of brick construction by a select few of the colony's elite contrasted dramatically with the ephemeral building practices of less well-to-do neighbors, a distinction that had previously never been studied. Approximately ten buildings will be selected for detailed documentation, including measured drawings, field notes, and photographic prints.



Dendrochronology dated Araby in Charles County to 1746. Photo: Willie Graham.



### Architectural Survey of U.S. Route 1: Washington, DC to Baltimore Prince George's, Howard, and Baltimore Counties (\$17,000)

Anacostia Trails Heritage Area will conduct a reconnaissance survey and prepare a historic context report for U.S. Route I from Washington, DC to Baltimore City, which includes parts of Prince George's, Howard, and Baltimore counties. This is intended to be Phase I of a multi-year project to document the unique resources along U.S. Route I, including tourist cabin hotels and roadside architecture, minority-owned commercial buildings, and light industrial complexes.



Vernacular commercial buildings in College Park.



African American professionals from Washington, DC and Baltimore City built many of the early cottages in the town.

#### National Register of Historic Places Nomination of Columbia Beach – Anne Arundel County (\$40,000)

Columbia Beach was established as a summer retreat for African Americans during the segregation era, when racist policies barred the Black community from other resort towns along the Chesapeake Bay. Blacks of the Chesapeake Foundation will prepare a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the historic community. The timing of this project is critical, as Columbia Beach is currently threatened by development and climate change.

In addition to projects funded through the Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program, staff conducted site visits to assist property owners, state agencies, and preservation partners on architectural projects, including the John Ridout House (Anne Arundel County); Cremona and the De La Brooke Tobacco Barn, one of Maryland's earliest tobacco barns dated to 1796-1797 by dendrochronology (St. Mary's County); Etowah Farm, whose centerpiece is a c.1820-1830 Federal-style dwelling (Anne Arundel County); the Lee-



Hessian Barracks

Pullen House at Jerusalem Mill Village (Baltimore County) and Cushwa Farm (Washington County), where staff assisted DNR with documentation; Margaret's Fancy, a late-19th-century farm that began dairying c.1910 (Carroll County); the Maryland Club (Baltimore City); Cloverfields, an early 18th-century house undergoing a meticulous restoration (Queen Anne's County); the Columbia Country Club and Golf Course (Montgomery County); Hessian Barracks (Frederick County); and worker housing in Elkridge, where staff assisted Howard County with documentation. Staff also conducted a survey of the Neck District (Dorchester County), where late-19th and early-20th century growth was spurred by railroad expansion, truck farming, and the seafood industry. Additionally, staff submitted a historic marker application to the Pomeroy Foundation to honor Mary Bostwick Shellman's leadership in the Just Government League, the largest women's suffrage organization in Maryland, founded in 1909. MHT also held its annual Architectural Fieldwork Symposium in October 2021, virtually hosting approximately 160 attendees each day. Thirteen speakers presented on a range of topics, including the use of laser scanning to record buildings, Lumbee heritage in Baltimore City, early Black architects in Maryland, and recent theme studies published by NPS.

Research and survey project highlights are detailed below.



Maryland Slave Dwelling Survey, Statewide. MHT launched the Maryland Slave Dwelling Survey in July 2021 to document a sampling of buildings that housed enslaved people across the state. MHT architectural historians and the project consultants conducted site visits in eight counties, including Washington, Frederick, Prince George's, Montgomery, Howard, St. Mary's, Queen Anne's, and Dorchester. The survey will include free-standing quarters, such as the log building at Edgehill, and the Seneca sandstone building at Darnall Place, both in Montgomery County; a loft space above a summer kitchen at Indian Range in Anne Arundel County; and an expansive attic space found at Appleby in Dorchester County.

**Eagle Harbor & Cedar Haven, Prince George's County.** On April 13 and June 29, 2022, MHT architectural historians toured Eagle Harbor and Cedar Haven in Prince George's County to evaluate the area for potential district nominations to the National Register of Historic Places. Founded in the early 20th century, Eagle Harbor and Cedar Haven were established as African American waterfront communities that provided an escape from the summer heat and city life during segregation.

Riversdale House Museum, Prince George's County. MHT architectural historians visited Riversdale House Museum to create measured floor plans of the first and second floors. Riversdale, a National Historic Landmark, is a late Georgian house built between 1801 and 1807 for the Calvert family. The documentation will complement the ongoing research of Marcia Miller, Chief of the Office of Research, Survey, & Registration, on five-part houses in Maryland, and will support Riversdale's own research of its enslaved population.

**LGBTQ Sites, Baltimore City.** A University of Maryland intern and MHT architectural historians conducted an initial "windshield" survey of ten LGBTQ sites in Baltimore City to narrow the focus of the intern's research. The intern's work resulted in two MIHP forms for LGBTQ sites in Baltimore City, including the former Martick's Restaurant Français and Club Baltimore Baths.

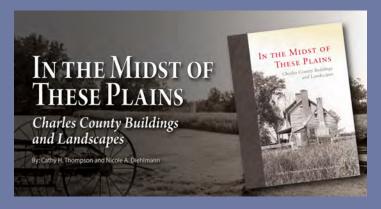
Hayland, Frederick County. MHT architectural historians have conducted research and created measured floor plans to support a National Register nomination for Hayland, an 1856 Italianate house in northern Frederick County. The two-and-a-half-story brick building with rear brick ell features a decorative bracketed cornice along with two double stack, gable-end chimneys and recessed masonry panels. The mid-19th-century owner of the property, William Miles, was an American diplomat. Local builder and architect Joshua Shorb constructed the house for a payment of \$3,000. The property also includes a Gothic Revival privy relocated from the adjacent San Marino farm (no longer extant), which was also constructed by Shorb, and a later-era bank barn.



Whitehall, Anne Arundel County. MHT architectural historians continue advising the Brandywine Foundation, the owners of Whitehall, as they explore ways to successfully preserve and maintain the National Historic Landmark. On two separate trips, staff met with the owners, representatives of the NPS, and consultants who were conducting a rapid visual assessment and transportation assessment study to better understand the condition and overall needs of the property. The property is being considered as a cultural property within the proposed Chesapeake Bay National Recreation Area. MHT also held its annual Orlando Ridout V Field Documentation Day at Whitehall in FY22. Staff toured the building, measured and drew the privy, prepared a site plan, and conducted remote sensing to locate outbuildings, including features potentially associated with enslaved individuals (for details on remote sensing work, see p. 34).

## Success Story: In the Midst of These Plains: Charles County Buildings and Landscapes

Funded by a Historic Preservation Non-Capital grant and published by MHT Press, In the Midst of These Plains: Charles County Buildings and Landscapes highlights four centuries of Charles County history and settlements, tracing the county's shift from a rural agricultural community to an exurb of Washington, DC. Much of the research and survey work found within, including information on tobacco barns and dwellings, derived from MHT efforts. Departing



from the narrower focus of similar works, *In the Midst* looks at working landscapes, domestic and agricultural outbuildings, industrial landscapes, sacred buildings, and civic and commercial buildings. Together, this study reveals the true breadth and diversity of the Charles County's built environment and cultural landscape.



#### Success Story: James Brice House

Over the past five years, MHT has worked closely with Historic Annapolis on a state-of-the-art restoration of the James Brice House, named for the young lawyer and planter who inherited the house from his father. Built between 1766 and 1774, the house is a five-part Georgian dwelling with a large, two-story center block flanked by hyphens and wings. Designated a National Historic Landmark in 1970, the house features rare historic fabric, including elegant Colonial-era architectural elements designed to impress guests of the white family, as well as utilitarian living spaces for the building's enslaved inhabitants. The Brice House restoration project will provide an exceptional opportunity to teach about the lives of enslaved and free workers in Annapolis, including indentured servants and artisans, once the house reopens to visitors.

MHT and Historic Annapolis have based the restoration of the building on a rigorous, hands-on investigation of the intact materials and a scrupulous study of the detailed account book left by James Brice, which lists both construction materials and workers. An expert team of architects, architectural historians, conservators, and craftsmen are in the process of restoring the house to its 1774 appearance. Current work has focused on the east wing, which housed the kitchen and washhouse on the first floor and quarters for the enslaved workers on the second floor. A remarkable amount of surviving material, especially on the second floor, makes this wing a rare authentic example of early urban service space. Artifacts like hair pins, creamware, and walnut shells illuminate the daily experiences of the people forced to live and labor at Brice House.



The second floor of the east wing served as living quarters for enslaved people at the Brice House. To interpret and authentically 1 highlight this rare early living space for enslaved people, on-going work will remove 20th-century modifications while restoring the original floor level (creating a low ceiling height), stabilizing early plaster walls, and conserving the dormer windows.



The original floor level and plaster wall sitting about two feet above the existing floor. Note the black-painted baseboard and pieces of the intact plaster wall above



#### Success Story:

#### **Documenting Maryland's Early Female Architects**

With support from a Historic Preservation Non-Capital grant, the Baltimore Architecture Foundation researched and documented places in Maryland designed by early female architects. The project produced a National Register Multiple Property Documentation Form that examines the careers of female designers including architects, landscape architects, and artists in Maryland who were active between 1920-1970 and situates their stories within a broader national context. One of the architects highlighted in the project is Katherine Cutler Ficken, the first woman formally registered to practice architecture in Maryland. Collaborating with her architect father Howard Cutler, Ficken helped to design the Rock Creek Field House and Lynnbrook Elementary School, both in Montgomery County.

Additionally, the project produced a supporting National Register nomination for the Hirsch Residence in Havre de Grace. Architect Poldi Hirsch designed this Mid-Century Modern house for her personal home and office, with construction completed in 1970. The dwelling is low and horizontal in its massing, with a slanted, overhanging shed roof. Characteristic of Mid-Century Modern residences, on the interior the foyer, living room, dining room, kitchen, and den flow together in an open-plan arrangement. Hirsch was one of only a handful of female architects active in the state during this period. The work of Hirsch and other women in the field helped establish a more equitable environment within the architectural profession, and their stories form part of the broader social history of women's efforts to achieve greater equality within American society.



The Hirsch Residence in a Baltimore Sun profile soon after its construction in 1973. (Source: Baltimore Sun)



The interior of the Hirsch Residence, featuring oak floors and stained cedar ceilings with exposed wood rafters. (Source: EHT Traceries)

# Archaeological Research

Through archaeological research and survey, MHT helps identify and document important historic and prehistoric sites as part of its terrestrial and maritime archaeology programs. In FY22, MHT added 130 terrestrial archaeological sites and 21 maritime archaeological sites, as well as 74 terrestrial site updates, to the MIHP.A total of 83 archaeological survey reports were accessioned into the MHT Library, covering 2226 acres.

#### Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grants - Archaeological Research

In FY22, the Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program provided \$117,000 to archaeological research and survey projects.

## The 2022 Tyler Bastian Field Session – Archeological Society of Maryland, Inc. (\$17,000)

This annual event provides a hands-on opportunity for laypersons to learn archaeological methods under the direction of professional archaeologists. The funds covered field session expenses as well as the hiring of contractors to produce a final report and prepare artifacts for permanent curation. (See "Public Archaeology Programs" on p. 55 for more information about the 2022 event.)



Preliminary work at Barwick's Ordinary, an 18thcentury tavern and site of the 2022 Field Session.



Photo: Julia A King/St. Mary's College of Maryland.

### Tracing Piscataway Indian History on the Ground – St. Mary's College of Maryland (\$60,000)

This project involves archaeological survey work on several 15th to 18th century Piscataway sites along the north shore of the Potomac River. Research, culminating in a summary report, will focus on the identification of both Native and European trade items to explore how these items circulated within Piscataway practices and systems of meaning. As Maryland's 400th anniversary draws near, this project presents an important opportunity to center narratives of the Piscataway.

## Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom: Recording Anne Arundel County's Past – The Lost Towns Project (\$40,000)

This project will undertake a detailed archival and literature review of 19th-century Black housing in Anne Arundel County. The investigators will create a database of approximately 100 such sites, conduct field visits to approximately 20 sites to assess their condition, create or update MIHP site data, and write a summary report to disseminate the findings. Through this study, the project aims to broaden public support for the protection and preservation of Black historical spaces.



MHT archaeologist uses GPR to at a cemetery of the enslaved.

# Archaeological Research

MHT continued its efforts to survey lands owned or controlled by state agencies, including DNR, as well as local governments, to identify the full range of archaeological sites located on such properties. In addition, staff carried out survey work on two federally-owned properties.

Fort Frederick State Park, Washington County. MHT archaeologists carried out a brief survey and documentation excavation following the discovery of a buried cistern during restoration work by Fort Frederick State Park. The cistern was determined to be of 20th century origin, but the fast response allowed the project to get back underway quickly. In the summer of 2021, MHT archaeologists conducted a shovel test pit survey northeast of the fort in a search to locate the archaeological footprint of a small village described in Colonial-era records as springing up outside the fort during the French and Indian War. While no evidence of the village was located, they did identify a new prehistoric site. In April 2022, MHT archaeologists returned to the park and carried out a controlled metal detector survey north of the fort (see success story below).

Cemetery Surveys on DNR Properties. MHT archaeologists conducted a ground-penetrating radar (GPR) survey of the Howard Family Cemetery in Patuxent River State Park (Howard and Montgomery counties) and identified seven potential grave shafts. At the Hughes Family Cemetery (Caroline County), MHT archaeologists collected GPR data, which identified at least 20 anomalies suggestive of grave shafts within the survey area. Data will assist DNR with the management and interpretation of these historic cemetery sites.

**U-I 105 "Black Panther" Historic Shipwreck Preserve, Potomac River.** MHT maritime archaeologists captured high-resolution sonar images within the U-I 105 "Black Panther" Historic Shipwreck Preserve in support of work conducted under a Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant by the Battle of the Atlantic Research and Expedition Group (BAREG). BAREG's work will result in updated recording and condition assessment of U-I 105, a WWII Type VIIC German U-boat listed on the National Register of Historic Places and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) National Marine Protected Areas.

Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary. MHT maritime archaeologists worked with NOAA, DNR, Charles County, and East Carolina University (ECU) to hold a maritime archaeology field school at the site. ECU wants to make this an annual event. In addition, graduate students continue to utilize elements of the sanctuary for theses and dissertations. This ongoing research will greatly contribute to the identification and understanding of the varied archaeological resources located within the Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary.

# Archaeological Research

In addition to conducting survey and documentation activities on state and federal lands, MHT archaeologists also worked on numerous projects on privately-owned properties, partnering with local municipalities and other state agencies.

Montpelier, Washington County. MHT archaeologists worked with the Western Chapter of the Archeological Society of Maryland (ASM) to carry out ground-truthing excavations at Montpelier in Washington County, where prior remote sensing had identified a large stone structure. The site, now recorded as the Maiden's Choice I site (18WA63), initially thought to be associated with 18th-century militia leader Evan Shelby, Jr., instead appears to be the remains of a late-18th or early-19th century dwelling occupied by the Barnes and Mason families shortly after Shelby's departure in 1773. During a subsequent GPR survey north of the excavation, MHT archaeologists identified two cellar-like shaft anomalies. The anomalies were found to be large pits filled with local fieldstone rubble, which do not seem to relate to the Colonial-era occupations at the site.

Biggs Ford Site, Frederick County. MHT archaeologists carried out a remote sensing survey at the Biggs Ford Site in late 2021, and the property owner signed a Deed of Gift to transfer the 2013-2015 Biggs Ford Collection to the MAC Lab. A display of artifacts loaned from the MAC Lab is being planned at Frederick Community College with additional materials to be used for teaching and to develop a "Virtual Biggs Ford Museum." The GPR survey identified anomalies suggestive of a palisade and pit features associated with the Late Woodland occupations at the site.

Whitehall, Anne Arundel County. In October 2021, MHT archaeologists conducted a remote sensing survey to attempt to locate the quarters of enslaved laborers and an octagonal stable depicted on 18th-century plans of the Whitehall estate. MHT identified two roughly 9 X 9 ft anomalies in a field southwest of the manor house. A subsequent GPR survey identified three additional anomalies in alignment with the other two, which form a "lane" pointing to the front door of the manor house. Ground-truthing by Anne Arundel County's Lost Towns Project identified colonial bottle glass and brick flooring in one of these structures.

MHT staff archaeologists also assisted with investigations and advised on projects including the U.S. Coast Guard's Unified Command response to the grounded freighter Ever Forward and consulted with National Geographic for proposed episodes of Drain the Ocean, as well as at the Merkle Natural Resource Management Area (Prince George's County), log canoe sites at Caney Creek and Buzzard Island Creek (Calvert County), ship surveys at Assateague State Park (Worcester County) and the Potomac River, Arundel-on-the-Bay (Anne Arundel County), Barwick's Ordinary (Caroline County), the Stout-Teague Site (Calvert County), and the Hurt Ossuary (Talbot County).

### Archaeological Research

### Archaeological Research Permits

Staff assisted four state agencies by issuing eight terrestrial archaeology permits in FY22 for investigations on lands they administer. Investigations on land held by DNR included archaeological work associated with Old Bohemia Manor in Cecil County, Chapel Point State Park in Charles County, Catoctin Furnace in Frederick County, and Newtowne Neck State Park and St. Clements Island State Park in St. Mary's County. Historic St. Mary's City submitted a permit application for emergency mitigation efforts arising from routine maintenance projects. A terrestrial archaeology permit was issued for an archaeological survey on a portion of the Maryland School for the Deaf Property, which is located in the City of Frederick and maintained by the Maryland Department of General Services. An archaeological survey of portions of the Frederick Readiness Center in Frederick County also received a permit. ECU held the only Maritime Archaeology Permit issued in 2022 to undertake the field school and additional research at the Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary described above.

### Success Story: Archaeologists and Metal Detectorists Find Common Ground

In FY22, MHT archaeologists carried out a controlled metal detector survey north of Fort Frederick, assisted by the Maryland Free State Treasure Club and the South Mountain Relic and Coin Club. The volunteer crew identified a significant number of spent ordnance and military-related artifacts from the 18th century in the fields to the north of the fort. The survey also located an 18th-century domestic occupation area in a wooded area, which may connect to a small village that existed outside the fort during the French and Indian War. This data provides insights into the cultural landscape surrounding Fort Frederick and will be used to help inform future archaeological investigations at Fort Frederick State Park.



Metal dectectorists at Fort Frederick



A metal detectorist digging at Fort Frederick

### Archaeological Research

### Success Story: Jesuit Plantation Landscapes in Cecil and St. Mary's Counties

This project, launched by the Catholic University of America (CUA), examines the archaeological evidence of built landscapes on former Jesuit plantations on the Eastern Shore and in southern Maryland. Archaeological investigations on these properties have identified few tangible architectural features such as slave quarters, tenant dwellings, or outbuildings. With a FY21 grant totaling \$64,000 from the Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program, the project examined the interrelationship between free and enslaved landscapes by using a combination of geophysical survey, surface survey, shovel testing, and test unit excavation, resulting in a detailed summary report and new MIHP data. Though the project is still ongoing, research has already identified the apparent remains of a church and cellars from the 17th century, as well as other cultural features. CUA has collaborated with landowners and stakeholders to develop public educational materials to interpret these findings, including a website - stillwespeak.org.



Bohemia Ford House in Cecil County. Photos: Steve Lenik.



## Maryland Archaeological Conservation Lab

The MAC Lab at JPPM houses the state's archaeological collection, which includes more than nine million objects collected over the past 100 years.

### Research, Curation, and Conservation

MAC Lab staff have begun work on a cultural resource management plan that will consolidate data on all known archaeological sites and structures in the park, evaluate archaeological and other ground disturbing work completed to date at the park, and provide a detailed examination of documents, maps, historic photographs, archaeological data, and other sources necessary to establish a thorough history of the property. As a result of this work, JPPM will be able to undertake archaeological sensitivity modeling which will inform efforts to preserve the property's cultural resources.

In FY22, the MAC Lab began conducting excavations at the Melon Field site (18CV169), a house site from the late 17th century owned by planter, carpenter, and justice of the peace Robert Taylor, Jr. This site was the location of the 2022 Public Archaeology program. Through archaeological testing in advance of renovation at the Patterson estate, MAC Lab and MHT archaeologists found evidence of occupation of the property from the mid-19th century by the Peterson family. With the help of a 19th-century coastal map, the archaeologists determined that the 1830s Peterson House stood where the current Patterson House stands today.

Throughout the year, staff conserved a wide variety of artifacts from clients across the country, including artifacts from Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, 68 boxes constituting the avocational Ogle collection from sites in Charles and Prince George's counties, and three Civil War muskets from the First Battle of Bull Run (two of these muskets were live and defused before treatment



Public Archaeology intern with two young volunteers at the 17th-century Melon Field site.

began). The conservation department also provided preservation guidance for three waterlogged dugout canoes recovered by the Wisconsin Historical Society, repaired window panes from the mansion at Mount Vernon, carried out an x-ray survey for Jamestown Island, and relocated three historic ship hulls into a pond in Alexandria, VA (for more information, see Success Story on p. 39). Currently, staff are conserving artifacts for Petersburg National Battlefield and preparing a cannon from the College of William and Mary for display at the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown.

In October 2021, two interns began work rehousing archaeological collections from the Archaeology in Annapolis project for permanent curation. These collections are from the 1990s excavations at several sites associated with early Annapolis, including the Brice House (for more information, see Success Story on p. 30); the Shiplap House, an extant 18th-century structure; and Reynolds Tavern, an 18th-century tavern still operating as an inn and restaurant. Additionally, the MAC Lab received a State Highway Administration collection from the Caile-Bayly House site, an 18th- and 19th-century site that includes the Bayly cabin, which may have served as seasonal housing for the enslaved workers of the Bayly family prior to the Civil War.

## Maryland Archaeological Conservation Lab

Currently, Colonial Williamsburg is in the planning stages for a new archaeological curation, research, and conservation facility. Their team asked to visit the MAC Lab to get insights for their project, and staff provided a detailed, behind-the-scenes tour for Colonial Williamsburg Foundation archaeologists and conservators.

### Education and Outreach

Discovering Archaeology Day was held at and around the MAC Lab in early April. This was the first year the event had been held in this location rather than the Pavilion. Because of the success of the event (289 attendees and 17 participating organizations) and the ability to hold programming more easily in the lab during the event, the park plans to hold the event there in the future. The lab was assisted in its Public Archaeology efforts by two interns, and several volunteers began work on a long-term project cataloging the Stearns site.

Lab staff also worked with undergraduate students from St. Mary's College of Maryland in the Research Experiences for Undergraduates program. With support from a three-year National Science Foundation grant, these students received training in lab methods, basic conservation, and ArcGIS from the MAC Lab.



Seventeen organizations from Maryland and Virginia participated in Discovering Archaeology Day 2022.

### Facilities Improvements and Cultural Resource Management

Exterior renovations to the MAC Lab have been completed. The FY22 renovation work included completion of the new roof and siding, as well as new patio pavers and sidewalks. Park and lab staff have been working with DGS and Marshall Craft Associates on the design phase of the MAC Lab expansion project. The design work will be completed before the end of the 2022 calendar year, with construction anticipated to begin in spring 2023. The expansion will entail the construction of a new wing to expand collections storage space, a new loading dock, and reconfiguring some interior spaces in other parts of the lab to better suit current needs.



The newly-renovated MAC Lab exterior

## Maryland Archaeological Conservation Lab

### Success Story: Smith's St. Leonard Site

After 20 years of archaeological excavation, MAC Lab archaeologists completed field work and recording at the Smith's St. Leonard site (18CV91) in December 2022. Final report preparation is underway, and MAC Lab staff plan to present a session on the site at the 2023 Mid-Atlantic Archaeology Conference. The c.1711-1754 tobacco farm site, which contains the only known archaeological example of a stable from the 18th-century in the Chesapeake, has yielded significant data on the landscapes of 18th-century plantations and the lives of those enslaved there.



Mapping the Richard Smith Jr. House foundations at the Smith St. Leonard site in December 2021. MAC Lab archaeologist works with former site colleagues who volunteered their time.

### Success Story: Ben Brenman Archaeology in Alexandria Award



Nichole Doub, Head Conservator at the MAC Lab, accepting the Brenman Award on behalf of the MAC Lab for conservation work. She is shown here with awardees from EYA RTS Construction and AECOM, who helped with the shipwreck project.

In FY22, the MAC Lab received a Ben Brenman Archaeology in Alexandria Award for 2022 for its work with the preservation of shipwrecks from the Hotel Indigo and Robinson Landing development sites in downtown Alexandria, Virginia. While Alexandria Archaeology conserved several timbers from the ships, it was not cost-effective to conduct lab conservation measures on all the timbers from these three ships. MAC Lab staff spent two weeks assisting Alexandria Archaeology with re-ponding efforts — the costefficient preservation of non-conserved, waterlogged timbers by submerging them in an enclosed body of water, where they will remain stable and available for future study or conservation. Thorough analysis and recording of the timbers took place before the timbers were submerged, and the locations of the timbers were carefully recorded. Consultation with MAC Lab staff for this process came about due to the lab's successful work with re-ponding ship timbers from a wreck from the Nanticoke River.

### **Preservation Planning**

Local governments play a critical role in identifying, protecting, and enhancing historic places and culturally significant sites. MHT assists local governments by responding to inquiries about preservation issues, through the voluntary CLG Program, and by reviewing and commenting on local comprehensive plans and amendments. In FY22, MHT responded to draft comprehensive plans and planning assistance requests from local governments around the state, including Washington Grove, Cambridge, Mountain Lake Park, Perryman, Chesapeake Beach, Annapolis, Thurmont, Hagerstown, Kent Narrows, Brookeville, Bel Air, Eagle Harbor, New Market, Myersville, the City of Baltimore, and St. Mary's, Queen Anne's, Frederick, Talbot, Washington, and Harford counties.

### PreserveMaryland II Update

In 2019, NPS approved PreserveMaryland II, Maryland's statewide preservation plan (bit.ly/PresMDII), which serves as a guidance document for agencies, organizations, and individuals engaged in historic preservation and cultural heritage activities in Maryland. The plan has five goals: I) connect with broader audiences; 2) improve the framework for preservation; 3) expand and update documentation; 4) build capacity and strengthen networks; and 5) collaborate toward shared objectives. Highlights of progress toward these goals in FY22 are listed below.



The steam room of J.C.W. Tawes & Son Seafood Packinghouse (from "Summer in Maryland")

Goal 1: Connect with Broader Audiences

In FY22, MHT launched its Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) Working Group, with six Board members and five staff members representing MHT offices and JPPM. Initial work addressed the purpose and activities of the group going forward, including goals, objectives, and strategies related to JEDI in the statewide preservation plan and how the group could advance those commitments. The working group also created and launched a survey for MHT staff and board to assess views on JEDI definitions and visions for JEDI at the agency.

MHT continued to bolster its public engagement through social media, including a new "Summer in Maryland" series that ran in August 2021, researched and produced by librarian Lara Westwood. Each week focused on a summer-themed topic in Maryland history and associated sites in the MIHP. The series was well-received and drew significant engagement for MHT's Facebook and Instagram pages.



Goal 2: Improve the Framework for Preservation With MCAAHC, MHT helped coordinate a working group to evaluate the needs and opportunities facing African American cemeteries in the state, at the direction of the Maryland General Assembly. The working group, comprised of public and private partners with experience in cemetery preservation, developed a web page for the project and a survey for distribution online and in person, which was shared on the partners' web sites and with genealogical groups, church leaders, and the Legislative Black Caucus. The working group also conducted three focus groups for descendants of people interred in African American cemeteries and made the draft available for public comment prior to finalization in June 2022. The report is available online at <a href="https://bit.ly/HistAACemeteries">bit.ly/HistAACemeteries</a>.

### **Preservation Planning**



Goal 3: Expand and Update Documentation

MHT's Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program continues to help expand and update documentation on historic and cultural properties around the state, with priorities including sites threatened by climate change. In FY22, architectural historian Paul Touart completed MHT-funded survey work in Somerset County, including Smith Island, the last surviving inhabited island off the shores of Maryland in the Chesapeake Bay. The project documented one of the oldest surviving buildings on Smith Island, known as Black Walnut Point, as well as Methodist church buildings in Tylerton, Ewell, and Rhodes Point.





MHT Director Hughes during virtual roundtable

#### Goal 4: Build Capacity and Strengthen Networks

While networking and training opportunities have not returned to pre-pandemic levels, MHT pursued ways to support practitioners of historic preservation in FY22. At the initiation of Frederick County, which intends to update its local historic preservation ordinance, MHT co-hosted a virtual roundtable for historic preservation planners around the state to discuss models, issues, and challenges with local ordinances and the state's enabling legislation. The discussion helped connect planners who otherwise may not have met to exchange information. MHT also held a listening session geared toward local governments, hosted by

MHT Director Elizabeth Hughes, for a rich conversation on the topic of "How can MHT better assist with preservation issues in your community?"



MHT staff member during State House paint restoration

#### Goal 5: Collaborate Toward Shared Objectives

As part of a comprehensive maintenance and rehabilitation project on the Maryland State House exterior and grounds, senior staff from MHT continue to collaborate closely with DGS to ensure that these needed renovations are conducted in a manner that protects the integrity of the nationally significant historic site. Following extensive research, planning and consultation, the construction project is now in full operation, with the goal of completing the repair and repainting work on the dome (Phase I) by the end of 2022. A thorough investigation by the project team has revealed that much of the

material is original and in remarkably good shape. Material from the original construction and later repair campaigns will be saved wherever possible.

In FY22, MHT archaeologists met with local property owners, homeowner association representatives, the Anne Arundel County archaeologist, and personnel from the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) State Highway Administration (SHA) to examine evidence of looting activity on MDOT SHA property and adjacent private lands in Anne Arundel County. Extensive trenching by looters was documented using a camera and high-precision GPS which MHT supplied. MDOT SHA is using the results to explore options to secure the site.

### Evans

### Certified Local Government Program

The CLG Program, administered by NPS and MHT, recognizes the 22 counties and municipalities in Maryland that have made a special commitment to preservation. MHT awards 10% of its annual allocation from the NPS' Historic Preservation Fund to CLG projects and educational opportunities each year. The program received five project applications requesting more than \$91,000 and 11 education and training applications requesting more than \$28,000. The following grants, totaling \$97,630, were awarded in FY22.

### FY22 Certified Local Government Grants

#### **Baltimore County Department of Planning (up to \$13,000)**

This grant will help to update Baltimore County's Design Guidelines, including a new section on non-contributing resources and new information on historic signs, solar panel installation, and the appropriate use of substitute materials. The project will create a more user-friendly document, making the guidelines more visual and easier to navigate.

#### **Cumberland Historic Preservation Plan (up to \$25,000)**

Funding will support the development and production of a Cumberland Historic Preservation Plan, which will identify and articulate community preservation goals, provide information about the local preservation ordinance, educate the public about the community's history and heritage, and set priorities and metrics for the plan's implementation and evaluation.

#### Frederick County Landmarks Foundation, Inc. (up to \$20,000)

Working in partnership with the Frederick County CLG, this grant will support the development of a feasibility study for the nationally significant Beatty-Cramer House, which will identify possible uses and what must be achieved to meet the zoning, building code, and environmental constraints associated with each potential use.

### Harford County (up to \$18,130)

Funding will help survey at-risk resources within Harford County, with a focus on documenting and protecting the remaining resources within historic crossroad villages. The project will document properties for the MIHP and evaluate options for local designation.

### **Educational and Training Programs for CLGs (up to \$23,500)**

Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions (MAHDC), on behalf of eligible CLGs, will administer funding for educational and training programs serving historic preservation commissions. The grant includes an administrative fee as well as support for MAHDC's 2022 Symposium, Archaeology and Cultural Landscapes in Maryland.

### **Preservation Planning**

### Weather It Together Program

MHT's Weather It Together Program offers technical assistance and guidance to local communities on hazard mitigation planning, disaster response and recovery, and climate adaptation. The program relies on collaboration with federal and state partners, including the Maryland Resiliency Partnership, a multiagency effort that includes nonprofits dedicated to resilience planning, and the Adaptation and Resiliency Working Group (ARWG) of the Maryland Commission on Climate Change. In FY22, staff contributed to multiagency assistance for flood mitigation in Baltimore City, provided assistance for historic properties damaged by Hurricane Ida, contributed to Flood Awareness Month (coordinated by MDE) and the Hurricane Agnes 50th Anniversary effort (coordinated by the US Army Corps of Engineers Region III), and participated in the Maryland Silver Jackets and Eastern Shore Climate Adaptation Partnership. Staff also provided support to Virginia's State Historic Preservation Office, which is interested in developing a program like Weather It Together to aid communities and property owners in disaster response and recovery.

### Success Story: Statewide Training for Historic Preservation Commissions

In partnership with MAHDC, MHT hosted a statewide training for CLGs presented by the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) in December 2021. Over 40 commissioners and staff attended the two virtual half-day trainings, representing 18 of 22 CLG communities. Nationally renowned presenters covered Standards and Guidelines for Design Review, Legal Basics, Legal Ethics, Meeting Procedures, Enforcement and Violations, Building Public Support, Preservation Planning, and Alternative Materials. NAPC developed these trainings for historic preservation commissions across the country and tailored them for Maryland, with input from MHT staff.



### Historic Preservation Easement Program

A historic preservation easement is the highest form of protection available for any historic, archaeological, or cultural resource, ensuring that a property will continue to be both appropriately maintained and accessible to the public. MHT currently holds a statewide easement portfolio of 709 easements on 931 properties, encompassing approximately 7,643 acres; most of these easements provide perpetual protection. Many easements were conveyed as gift easements by private owners wishing to ensure the continued preservation of a beloved property; some easements were obtained as part of a transfer of state or federal property into private ownership to ensure continued oversight; and other easements were received as a condition of various forms of state or federal grant or loan funding as a means of protecting the investment of public dollars. In FY22, MHT acquired four new easements and modified one existing agreement.

County	Name	Scope	Record Date	Source	Acres
Frederick	Rocky Springs Schoolhouse	Exterior, Archeology	2/2/2022	FY21 MHT Capital Grant	.0985
Baltimore City	Roland Park Water Tower	Exterior, Archeology	6/13/2022	FY21 MHT Capital Grant and FY12, FY16, & FY19 Bond Bills	.749
Anne Arundel	Captain William Burtis House	Exterior	6/21/2022	FY21 Bond Bill	.110
Frederick	B&O Westbound Tower	Exterior, Interior	1/20/2022	FY20 MHT Capital Grant	.013
Wicomico	Whitehaven Church	Modification	5/26/2022	FY21 MHT Capital Grant	N/A

Entering into an easement agreement with MHT initiates a partnership between MHT and the owner of the property. The property owner takes on certain responsibilities; generally, these include maintaining the property, insuring it, and requesting MHT's approval for alterations. MHT also takes on certain responsibilities, including timely review of proposed alterations and inspection of protected properties. MHT staff, ranging from architectural historians to archaeologists, are available to provide technical assistance on preservation best practices and guidance on proposed restoration or rehabilitation projects. Since the easement endures even when a property changes hands, MHT provides stability in the long-term preservation of these significant properties, ensuring that the changes which may be needed over time occur in a sensitive and appropriate manner.

Staff of the easement program encourage property owners to reach out to discuss preservation issues or planned projects. Staff members in the program traveled across the state in FY22, participating in 17 meetings and site visits in 12 counties and Baltimore City to provide guidance and advice about ongoing or proposed projects. Similarly, the easement inspector accomplished 30 site inspections in 15 counties and Baltimore City to assess the condition and compliance of protected properties and to provide technical assistance on building preservation and maintenance. Over the course of the fiscal year, MHT's in-house easement committee reviewed and provided recommendations on approximately 197 projects proposed by property owners and managers.

### Historic Preservation Easement Program

### Highlight: Captain William Burtis House (Anne Arundel County)

One of MHT's newly recorded easements is the Captain William Burtis House, a small frame vernacular house located in downtown Annapolis. Constructed in the 1880s by the Burtis family, it was built adjacent to the busy steamboat wharf, oyster-packing houses, and a marine railway. This was an advantageous location for Captain William Henry Burtis, who hosted a popular charter service for pleasure cruises in the Chesapeake Bay. The Burtis House is the sole surviving historic waterman's home located on City Dock and is historically significant due to its association with the Burtis Family and Annapolis's maritime heritage. It was



sold to the state in the 1970s, becoming home for DNR and later to the National Sailing Hall of Fame, until it became vacant in 2019. Following its recent purchase by the City of Annapolis, a perpetual preservation easement was placed on the property to ensure its preservation after its transfer from state ownership. Plans for the long-term adaptive reuse of the property are still in development.

### Highlight: Hagerstown Fairgrounds (Washington County)



The Hagerstown Fairgrounds, historically known as the Agricultural and Mechanical Association of Washington County, was chartered in 1856, and held the annual Great Hagerstown Fair until the 1980's. With funding from the Historic Preservation Capital Grant Program, the Hagerstown Fairgrounds Entrance Building (c. 1913) and Keeper's Residence (1890s) recently completed a rehabilitation project, which addressed the interior and exterior of the property, including repair and replacement of the roof, windows, siding, walls, masonry, carpentry, metal, and concrete, as well as repainting. The two buildings, joined on the north side wall, are significant for their architecture and for their association with an era during which Hagerstown and Washington County gained national prominence as the site of one of the largest agricultural exhibitions in the East and the largest poultry show in the county. The grand Classical Revival architecture of the entrance building is especially unique within the state and is a rarity nationwide.

# State & Federal Project Review

State and federal agencies consult with MHT to consider the effects of their projects on historic and archaeological resources under historic preservation legislation commonly known as the Section 106 process. Through consultation with agencies, project sponsors, and the public, MHT helps ensure that state and federal agencies effectively balance the needs of the project with measures to avoid, reduce, or mitigate harm to historic and archaeological properties.

### Project Review

In FY22, MHT reviewed more than 4,963 public undertakings through Section 106 consultation to assess the effects of those projects on cultural resources and formally evaluated more than 520 associated historic and cultural properties for their eligibility in the National Register of Historic Places. Consultation resulted in 21 formal agreement documents to resolve the adverse effects of projects on significant cultural resources. Staff closely coordinated with customers, including governmental agencies, local governments, business entities, consultants, interested organizations, and the public, to facilitate the successful completion of the historic preservation review process.

### Program Outreach

Staff provided remote outreach and training opportunities on the Section 106 review process to federal, state, and local government agencies, as well as program grantees, industry representatives, and the public, through informal consultation and interagency cooperative programs. In FY22, staff outreach included participation in MDOT SHA and the Federal Highway Administration's virtual webinar, "New Streamlined Cultural Resources Reviews for MDOT SHA and Local Programs," with approximately 100 attendees from local counties and municipalities. Staff gave presentations on Section 106 review and MHT's role under the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Programmatic Agreement as part of a virtual Cultural Resources Training for NRCS staff held in October 2021 and May 2022. The training was attended by over 100 participants from NRCS field offices statewide. Staff also participated in virtual Advanced Section 106 Training hosted by the NPS National Capital Region and gave a presentation on the State Historic Preservation Office's perspectives in avoiding and resolving adverse effects. The training was attended by over 20 participants representing cultural resources staff from NPS parks in the National Capital Region.

# State & Federal Project Review

# Success Story: National Institute of Health (NIH) Launches Online Exhibition — "Biologics Regulation and Research: The People and Work of Buildings 29 & 29A"



As part of its mitigation to resolve the adverse effects of demolishing historic laboratory buildings 29 and 29A, NIH launched an online exhibition hosted by the NIH Office of History and Stetten Museum, located in Bethesda, MD. The exhibition highlights the history, architecture, and stories of the scientists who worked in these buildings and the contributions of their research efforts to public health. The exhibition main page is located at <a href="bit.ly/NIH2929A">bit.ly/NIH2929A</a>. Although demolition was needed to make room for the construction of new facilities, NIH acknowledges that, while "Buildings 29 and 29A will soon no longer be standing, the legacy of their exemplary staff and their important work endures."

### Success Story: CSX Documents Historic Railroad Features for Howard Street Tunnel Project in Baltimore

The Howard Street Tunnel Project includes the rehabilitation or replacement of six existing railroad tunnels and bridges along the CSX Transportation (CSX) I-95 Rail Corridor between Baltimore City and Philadelphia, in order to provide modern double-stack service on this major intermodal rail-freight corridor. The Howard Street Tunnel, a 1.7-mile-long railroad segment in Baltimore City originally constructed in 1895, has been a primary obstacle to providing the needed vertical clearance for double-stack trains along this section, including to and from the Port of Baltimore. With funding support from the Federal Railroad Administration,



CSX will complete this final phase of modernization to the intermodal corridor. The Howard Street Tunnel is a major component of the former B&O Railroad Baltimore Belt Line – a 2.7-mile railroad constructed between 1891 and 1895 to connect B&O's Camden Station to Bay View Junction and its line to Philadelphia. The line is nationally significant as the first electric railway in the United States and encompasses numerous associated tunnels, bridges, and overpasses, including resources that are individually notable for their architecture and engineering. To mitigate the project's adverse effects on multiple historic properties, CSX is undertaking a robust program of recordation, development of interpretive materials, and construction-related noise and vibration considerations.

# Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum

A 560-acre park located on the Patuxent River in Calvert County, JPPM is home to more than 70 archaeological sites and contains historic houses and outbuildings, museum spaces, the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory (MAC Lab, p. 37), and recreational facilities. The park's mission is to connect people to the past and support the preservation of Maryland's cultural and natural resources. JPPM engages with local and regional audiences through exhibition spaces, interpretive trails, and cultural events including festivals, summer camps for K-12 students, workshops, and other activities hosted onsite throughout the year. This programming takes advantage of the park's rich archaeological, historical, scientific, and ecological resources. Due to increased demand for outdoor visitation, in FY22 JPPM began to reintegrate on-site programming with its virtual educational offerings, reaching over 143,500 people through a combination of on-site visitation, outreach programs, and virtual offerings.

Several projects have started and progressed at JPPM in FY22. Construction began on the Patterson House preservation project in July 2022, with an estimated completion date of summer 2024. While the Woodland Trail project is almost complete, a large tree took out a section of the trail, requiring rerouting and the construction of additional trail steps and a platform. The King's Reach fence replacement was completed. At the Visitor Center and Pavilion, the original cupolas had begun to rot around the bases, causing roof leaks into the buildings. The cupolas were removed intact and stored on-site, while an Amish company in St. Mary's County hand-crafted replacements, which are accurate down to the smallest detail. JPPM plans to display one of the originals to highlight the park's architecture and its dedication to maintaining the historical integrity of its properties.

### Events & Activities

JPPM hosts a series of events every year, sponsored both by JPPM and by independent entities. In FY22, Calvert Hospice continued their popular Calvert Health Virtual 5K, which was co-sponsored by JPPM and the Friends of JPPM. Calvert Health also held a Spring into Wellness event at the park in May and in October 2021, JPPM was the host venue for the first full cross-country championships since the pandemic started, with 14 schools participating. Later that month, JPPM hosted a Paint the Park event, where 11 local artists painted various vistas around the park, after which the pieces were displayed in the Visitor Center and available for purchase. JPPM once again presented their popular Pints and Pups program, partnering



Events at JPPM

with local breweries and animal shelters to raise money for a different shelter each month. This series benefited Pets with Disabilities of Prince Frederick, the Humane Society of Calvert County, and the Friends of the Linda Kelley Animal Shelter.

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Festivals and events are always essential ways to engage with the public. August brought the Maryland Food Truck Festival, organized by H2Markets, as well as the inaugural Art in the Park Craft Show, which drew more than 120 attendees to shop for items such as handmade jewelry and pottery. On American Indian Heritage Day, JPPM hosted over 600 visitors throughout the day; participants were able to interact with the Piscataway Nation Singers and Dancers, as well as activities and demonstrations. Spring 2022 saw two other large festivals at JPPM: the Celtic Festival, which hosted 7,500 visitors, and Pyrojam, an international fireworks festival, which was attended by about 3,000 people.

### **Educational Programs**

Throughout the year, JPPM offers a range of educational programming, primarily geared toward K-I2 students, as well as summer camps, workshops, story times, and fee-based educational programs that appeal to children and adults. In FY22, JPPM hosted several week-long, summer day camps that included Archaeology Camp, Native Skills Camp, River Life Camp, Imagine If Camp, and JPPM Stewards. Field trips—once again in-person—were primarily hosted through CHESPAX, the Calvert County Public School 6th grade environmental education field trip program. Several homeschool groups joined for day-long programs on Icky History, Native Life, and Colonial Life, as well as a Tidewater Life program and a Discovering Archaeology field trip.



Educational Programs at IPP

In addition to school programs, JPPM shared a wide array of in-person workshops with the public, with topics including bow and arrow making, flint knapping, natural dyes, friction fire, hide tanning, basket making with natural materials, tool sharpening, seat weaving, scrimshaws, maple syrup, and smartphone photography. Several blacksmithing workshops were hosted for the Boy Scouts, and a Girl Scout troop reproduced a dugout canoe that will replace the deteriorated one in JPPM's Woodland Village exhibit. The summer saw the return of JPPM's monthly Village Days, which focus on native life of the Eastern Woodland Tribes.

In FY22, JPPM held Sunset hikes as well as Archaeology and History hikes throughout the summer, which provided 2-to-3 hour walking tours of the park's historic and archaeological resources, covering roughly three miles. The FY22 lecture series, both virtual and in-person, included Vincent Leggett on African American ties to the Chesapeake region, Aaron Deter-Wolf on the archaeology of tattooing in North America, and Dr. Patrick Wilkinson on the uses of caves as sacred space in the Caribbean. In collaboration with the American Association of University Women, the "Southern Maryland History: Through Ebony Eyes" exhibition opened in March.

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JPPM also had a series of plant swaps, sales, and programs giving budding horticulturalists the opportunity not only to obtain plants for their gardens but also to learn how to care for them. The park's horticulturalist held two community stewardship events—"Mighty Marshes"—where 200 flowers were planted at Peterson Point, and where families took home iris seeds and mini greenhouses for head starting over the winter. During the summer, workshop participants learned about the ecology of evening meadows, about migrating kestrels and monarchs, and about how to create natural tea from items foraged on the site grounds. For the month of April, the "Mighty Marshes" traveling exhibition was installed at JPPM. The exhibition on living shorelines was also displayed at the Calvert County Library's Prince Frederick branch, and then at the Twin Beaches branch in Chesapeake Beach.

### Success Story:

### Re-Introducing On-Site Programming to the Park

JPPM staff started to bring back many popular on-site programs to the park in FY22 as COVID's impact on park operations lessened. These on-site programs and activities allowed an additional 13,000 or more people to enjoy the park in FY22.

Building off the success of a virtual holiday market and program in FY21, the JPPM held its December 2021 Holiday Market in person. This event brought together local crafters and artists, musical talent, and food vendors with just over 2,700 visitors. The market included free activities hosted by Morgan State University's Patuxent Environmental and Aquatic Research Laboratory staff, hayrides, and a photo booth with Santa, as well as a Carolina Snowflake workshop and two wreath-making workshops hosted by JPPM staff. In June 2022, more than 4,300 guests came to JPPM to enjoy Children's Day on the Farm, which featured family and agricultural-themed shows, activities, farming displays, and food. This is the highest number of guests for Children's Day in at least 20 years.





Above: Children's Day on the Farm

# Military Monuments & Roadside Historical Markers

The Governor's Commission on Maryland Military Monuments was created in 1989 to inventory the approximately 477 military memorials honoring Maryland's veterans, secure funds for their preservation, and develop educational and tourism materials relating to their history. In FY17, MHT began to administer the commission, which consists of up to 18 volunteer members who bring military, historical, business, and government expertise to the important work of safeguarding our state's military monuments. In FY22, MHT coordinated maintenance for 15 military monuments in the Western Shore region, with two upcoming projects.



Left: Plaque conservation was conducted by washing, waxing, and "flaming polishing" each to integrate the wax into the existing coatings. This work was performed for a) the John C. Brown Memorial Bridge Plaque on MD355 at Edmonston Drive, Rockville; b) the World War I Memorial at St. John's College, Annapolis; c) the World War I Memorial at the Prince George's County Courthouse, Upper Marlboro; d) the World War II Plaque on Route 1, College Park; e) the Braddock DAR Plaque at the Red Brick Courthouse, Rockville; and f) the Monument to French Soldiers and Sailors at St. John's College, Annapolis.

Below: Paint and rust were removed from the cannons before being primed and repainted. This was the case for both a) the John O'Neill Monument at the Concord Point Lighthouse, Havre de Grace and b) the War of 1812 Cannon at the Howard County Courthouse, Ellicott City. In the case of the War of 1812 Cannon, the drain hole was also enlarged and a tompion was added to the muzzle.





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Left: As needed, overgrowth was removed from the masonry, and it was sprayed with a cleanser. The cleaners were then unscrubbed and left to sit. This was done at a) the Pikesville Armory WWII Monument, Pikesville; b) the Calvert County WWII Memorial at the Calvert County Courthouse, Prince Frederick; c) the Korea and Vietnam Memorial at the Calvert County Courthouse, Prince Frederick; and d) the Pikesville Armory WWI Memorial Gate, Pikesville.

Right: Some monuments had different types of work completed on them or have not yet had the work completed. a) The Cambridge Memorial Fountain at Long Wharf Park, Cambridge will have its plinth repaired on October 25-26; both b) the Calvert County WWI Memorial at the Calvert County Courthouse, Prince Frederick and c) the Henry Baldwin Memorial on General's Highway, Millersville had their masonry sprayed, and their plaques cleaned and waxed; d) the GAR Monument at the Angel Hill Cemetery, Havre de Grace had the stone at the top straightened; and e) the World War I Memorial at St. John's College, Annapolis will have the failed mortar replaced in November 2022.







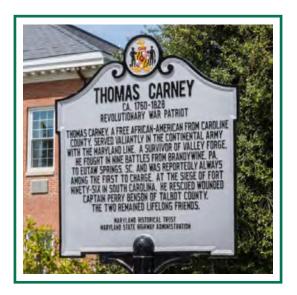


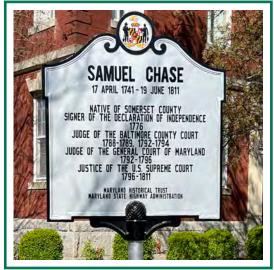


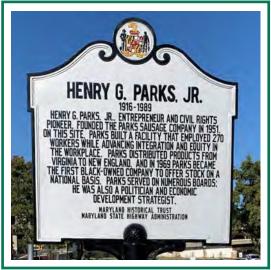
# Military Monuments & Roadside Historical Markers

Launched in 1933, the roadside Historical Marker Program draws attention to the many events, people, and places that have contributed to the richness of our state and nation. The program, administered by MHT in cooperation with the Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT-SHA), accepts applications from the public for new markers to commemorate important local history. Application and program guidelines are found on the roadside marker section of MHT website.

In FY22 three new markers were installed: Henry G. Parks in Baltimore City, Thomas Carney in Denton, Caroline County, and a new Samuel Chase marker replaced the earlier 1937 marker in Princess Anne, Somerset County.







Each year, through its terrestrial and maritime archaeology programs, the MAC Lab, and JPPM, MHT provides opportunities for enthusiasts and the general public to learn more about archaeology in the state.

### Archeology Month

Every April, Maryland celebrates Archeology Month, an annual statewide event highlighting our shared archaeological heritage. The theme for Archeology Month 2022 was The Future of Studying the Past: Innovative Technologies in Maryland Archeology, and organizations and advocates held a total of 24 public archaeologythemed events throughout the state. MHT collaborated with partners to produce a poster celebrating the Archeology Month theme, as well as mini-posters, magnets, a booklet, and 3D printed artifact replicas. These materials reached more than 1,000 members of the archaeological community, Maryland legislators, and members of the public via the Maryland Archeology Month Website (<u>marylandarcheologymonth.org</u>). In addition, these materials were distributed to Maryland Archeology Month Institutional Sponsors, ASM Chapters, and local universities. The annual Archeology Month booklet (bit.ly/MDarchmonth22) included articles on the geophysical survey employed to rediscover the 1634 St. Mary's Fort, x-ray diffraction in



archaeology, the Shipwreck Tagging Archaeological Management Program (STAMP), and unexpected uses of LIDAR data in archaeology. The Council for Maryland Archaeology and MHT collaborated to conduct eight virtual interviews with Archaeology Month booklet authors to discuss their booklet topics, which were published on MHT's YouTube channel (<a href="https://bit.ly/YTMDarchmonth22">bit.ly/YTMDarchmonth22</a>). MHT staff produced a blog on ground truthing excavations of anomalies discovered using remote sensing surveys (<a href="https://bit.ly/MHTgroundtruthing">bit.ly/MHTgroundtruthing</a>), and JPPM staff published a blog on 3D visualization for archaeology and Open Educational Resources (<a href="https://bit.ly/MHT3doer">bit.ly/MHT3doer</a>). All of these resources were promoted on Facebook.

### Tyler Bastian Field Session in Maryland Archaeology

The annual Tyler Bastian Field Session in Maryland Archaeology, led and coordinated by MHT, combines public outreach, education, and research through the investigation of a significant archaeological site. The results of the Field Session will be integrated into a final archaeological report, the preparation of which is being funded through an FY21 Historic Preservation Non-Capital grant to ASM. In partnership with Washington College and ASM, the 2022 field session was held in May at the privately owned Barwick's Ordinary site near Denton (Caroline County). Participants accomplished important work, such as mapping 18th-century cultural features in the colonial occupation area and the discovery of a potentially intact Native American occupation on an adjacent landform. Recovered artifacts included a rimsherd of Staffordshire slipware with a "piecrust" edge; a creamware platter; a sherd of c. 1760 Whieldonware pottery; a two-tine fork; many faunal remains including fish scales; and plowzone finds of stone projectile points, flakes, pre-contact pottery, and a drilled Megalodon fossilized tooth. 3D models of artifacts recovered from the Barwick's Ordinary site are viewable on Sketchfab (bit.ly/MHTsketchbarwicks). The success of the field session was made possible through the help of volunteer members of the public and partner organizations. MHT shared field session updates via Facebook.





### Annual Workshop in Archaeology

In September 2021, MHT and ASM presented the 30th Annual Workshop in Archaeology, held in person at MHT's Crownsville offices. Approximately 65 members of the public attended. The keynote speaker was Dr. Richard J. Dent, recently retired Associate Professor of Anthropology at American University, who presented on his decades of research in Potomac Valley archaeology. MHT archaeologists ran workshops on Photogrammetry and 3D Modeling and open-source GIS software, in addition to hands-on workshops in archaeological soil analysis, identification of historic ceramics, and atlatl dart throwing.



#### **Education & Outreach**

In FY22, MHT archaeologists continued to work with nonprofits, local governments, and others on outreach and educational programming. MHT archaeologists presented on a variety of topics both virtually and in person, including to the Western Chapter of the ASM, the 2022 Spotlight on National Park Resources in the National Capital Region, the Annual Meeting of the Eastern States Archaeological Federation, the Annual Meeting of the Middle-Atlantic Archaeological Conference, the Society for American Archaeology, the Discovering Archaeology Day event at JPPM, ASM's Spring Symposium, an event hosted by Baltimore Heritage and the Southern Maryland Dive Club, the Maritime Committee meeting of the Maryland Center for History and Culture, National Maritime Day in Baltimore, and at the invitation of the Florida Public Archaeology Network, the Archaeological Club of the Natural History Society, and the Maritime Archaeological Historical Society.

MHT continues to be involved in planning and interpretation for the Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary, including participating in Sanctuary Advisory Council meetings with NOAA and ECU. Maritime archaeology staff presented regularly on maritime heritage and climate change throughout FY22, including at the Mid-Atlantic Coastal Acidification Network workshop, the Heritage at Risk Committee meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, an NPS webinar addressing Climate Change and Resource Management, and at a meeting with Albanian delegates and U.S. representatives to discuss best practices, at the request of the U.S. Department of State and the World Trade Institute. Topics covered management and interpretation, how to protect maritime sites and artifacts from illegal trafficking, and addressing the impacts of climate change.

MHT's public archaeology programs were featured not once, but twice during FY22 on the Maryland Public Television show, *Outdoors Maryland*. The 2021 Field Session, held at the Billingsley site, was featured in a segment entitled "Lost and Found" that aired in January. The segment featured MHT terrestrial archaeologists, volunteers with ASM, and a representative from Maryland's indigenous community speaking about their experiences doing archaeology



(bit.ly/archjugbay). Just a few weeks later in February, Outdoors Maryland followed this segment with another feature focused on Maryland archaeology: a piece on Mallows Bay. The episode, entitled "Ghost Fleet of the Potomac," featured MHT's State Underwater Archaeologist and described the cultural resources the public can experience during a kayaking tour of the bay.

### Public Archaeology at the MAC Lab

The first FY22 Public Archaeology program at the MAC Lab took place on Fridays and Saturdays in September 2021 at the Smith's St. Leonard site, a c.1711-1754 tobacco farm. Sixty-one volunteers joined the dig and contributed over 300 hours of volunteer time. In preparation for the second Public Archaeology program in the spring of 2022, MHT and MAC Lab archaeologists collected fluxgate gradiometer and GPR data from Melon Field, a 17th-century domestic site on the JPPM property. The research identified two large pit-like features, along with an area of dense metal concentration to the north. During the public program, 84 volunteers worked 388 hours, uncovering and recording the pit features revealed through the remote sensing. The MAC Lab hired an undergraduate anthropology major from the University of Maryland as the Public Archaeology intern, and he worked with the program volunteers, teaching them excavation and recording techniques as well as lab procedures. Staff archaeologists developed an exhibition about the Melon Field Site which was installed at the Solomons branch of the Calvert County Public Library.

In addition to the FY22 Public Archaeology sessions, the MAC Lab also provided archaeology hikes and tours of the lab to a group from the Archaeological Conservancy, students from Hood College, and the general public. Lab staff attended an educational outreach day called the Lower Marlboro Freedom Day, which commemorates the self-emancipation of 14 individuals during the War of 1812. Staff learned about the history and heritage of this Colonial-era settlement, the physical buildings that remain, and the enslaved inhabitants who labored there.

#### MAC Lab Video Initiatives

Continuing the video initiatives begun in the early days of the pandemic, staff at the MAC Lab produced several video shorts for the Open Educational Resources (OER) website (bit.ly/oercommons). OER Commons is a public digital library of open educational resources, available for free use and download. Working through an Institute of Museum and Library Services grant, JPPM staff produced three videos around artifact care—one on how to pack artifact bags and boxes, another on when to replace artifact bags, and one on how to apply paper artifact labels. JPPM staff also created a video on the use and regeneration of silica gel and another on conserving waterlogged wood. Audiences for these videos include post-secondary educators and students, as well as professional archaeologists and conservators.



MAC Lab video screenshots

# Maryland Preservation Awards

MHT presented the 47th annual Maryland Preservation Awards, selected by the Board, to ten projects, individuals, and organizations throughout the state. In a new format that tied into Preservation Month in May, the 2022 awards were presented locally and live streamed to Facebook. The awards celebrated noteworthy accomplishments in the preservation field, recognizing outstanding education, restoration, and revitalization projects, as well as organizational and individual leadership.

The following people, places, and programs received awards in 2022:

#### Calvert Prize - Theodore H. "Ted" Mack (Anne Arundel County)

Recipient of MHT's most prestigious award, Ted Mack has a lifetime of service in promoting Maryland's African American heritage. He has made a tremendous statewide impact in Maryland, particularly in his eight years as chair of MCAAHC.



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### Outstanding Individual Leadership at the Local Level – Susan Hanson (Frederick County)

Susan Hanson has advocated for the maintenance and preservation of Frederick County's rural roads for more than 40 years. Building on her early success in the establishment of the Rural Roads Program, her current efforts are focused on continued protection and maintenance of historic roads, their landscapes, and their safety.

Outstanding Organizational Leadership at the Local Level – Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission Black History Program (Department of Parks and Recreation) (Prince George's County)

Founded in 1982, M-NCPPC's Black History Program has developed public programming on African American history for more than 40 years, enhancing site interpretation and history education throughout Prince George's County.





### Excellence in Public Programming – Annapolis Maritime Museum & Park for "Our Changing Waterfront" (Anne Arundel County)

This new permanent exhibition connects visitors with Annapolis's maritime heritage and Chesapeake Bay ecology. Highlights include high-tech digital interactives, virtual reality experiences, aquarium and outdoor habitats, and hands-on discovery for all ages.

### Excellence in Media and Publications – Nicole Diehlmann and Cathy Thompson for In the Midst of These Plains (Charles County)

The result of many years of research and survey, *In the Midst of These Plains* is a 500-page, authoritative history of Charles County as documented through its historic architecture and landscape.



# Maryland Preservation Awards



### Outstanding Stewardship of Archaeological Resources – Joe and Cheryl Smith for Barwick's Ordinary (Caroline County)

Joe and Cheryl Smith, stewards of the Barwick's Ordinary site (a colonial tavern associated with the first seat of Caroline County, 1774-1790), championed the investigation of the site by professional archaeologists and historians, while inviting the general public to aid in the research.

Outstanding Stewardship by a Government Agency – Washington County with Gruber-Latimer Restoration and Building System, a Division of Lantz Construction, for Claggett's Mill Bridges (Washington County)

Built in 1840 and 1841, respectively, the Claggett's Mill Bridge and the Claggett's Mill Race Bridge were deteriorating until Washington County contracted with Building Systems and Gruber-Latimer Restoration to stabilize and restore both.





### Project Excellence: Commercial/Institutional Rehabilitation – CASA Baltimore for the Belnord Theatre (Baltimore City)

The LEED Gold rehabilitation of the 1921 Belnord Theatre in the East Monument Historic District restored the spatial volumes of the theater, repaired features such as plaster ceilings, and reconstructed the original marquee. The project tripled CASA's service capacity to more than 11,000 clients annually, allowing greater access to job training, employment services, and social services.

### Project Excellence: Community Impact – Ministry of Brewing (Baltimore City)

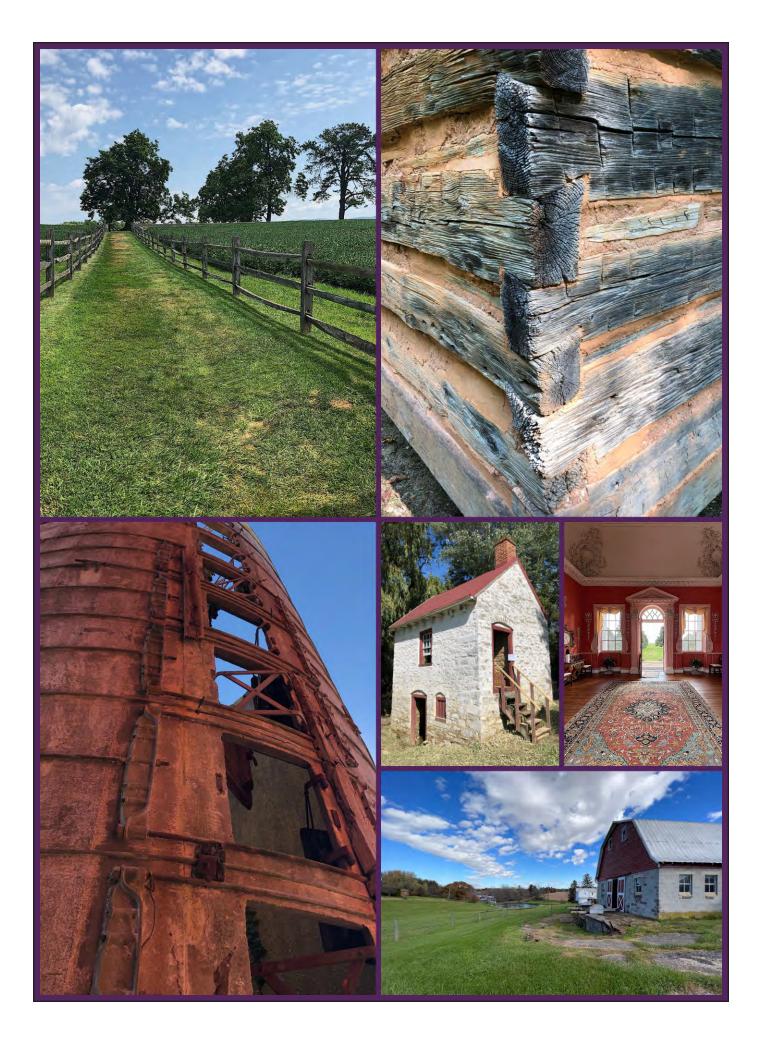
The Ministry of Brewing creatively converted the National Register-listed St. Michael's Catholic Church into a brewpub and a 37-unit apartment complex in East Baltimore, resulting in 25 new jobs and a dramatic improvement in property values.





#### **Preservation Partnerships - Catoctin Furnace (Frederick County)**

Preserving and interpreting the industrial village of Catoctin Furnace has been a decadeslong collaborative effort. Partnerships cultivated and sustained by the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, have created a vibrant, diverse, and welcoming atmosphere in which visitors can learn the rich history of iron making, in addition to the stories of the individuals—enslaved and free—who labored there.



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