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The Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees

The Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) is governed by a 15-member board of trustees, 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 archeology or a closely related field and have experience in the field of archeology. Of the trustees qualified in the field of archeology, at least one must have experience in the field of submerged archeology and at least one must have experience in the field of terrestrial archeology. The term of a member is four years.

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Who We Are and How We Work

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 of trustees. 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 archeological sites. This office supports new archeological and architectural surveys, maintains the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties and forwards nominations to the National Park Service's (NPS) National Register of Historic Places. This office also coordinates and staffs the Historic Marker program, Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program, and Governor's Commission on Maryland Military Monuments.

The Office of Planning, Education and Outreach provides planning assistance for local governments and partners with organizations and agencies to produce educational programming, including public archeology. This office offers grants for heritage tourism through the Maryland Heritage Areas program and for planning activities through the Certified Local Government program. The five-year statewide preservation plan is produced by this office.

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

Located on 560 acres adjacent to the Patuxent River in Calvert County, **Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum** is the state museum of archeology, 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 Laboratory, a state-of-the-art facility dedicated to archeological conservation and research.

The Office of Management oversees the administrative functions and includes the director and deputy director, human resources and personnel management, and budget and grants management.



Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit

For more than two decades, tax credits have played a key role in revitalizing Maryland's communities by supporting the rehabilitation and reuse of historic properties across the state. The Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program, which includes competitive commercial, small commercial and homeowner tax credits, has helped restore more than 4,668 homes and 690 commercial historic structures, preserving buildings that contribute to the distinct character and economic vibrancy of Maryland's towns, cities and rural areas. The Abell Foundation has estimated that each \$1 million invested in heritage structure tax credits creates about 73 jobs, and that every dollar invested yields approximately \$8.53 in economic activity (The Abell Report, March 2009, Vol 22, Number 1).

Competitive Commercial

Each year, owners of income-producing properties can compete for a state income tax credit (capped at \$3 million) that is equal to 20 percent of eligible rehabilitation expenses for substantial rehabilitation projects, with a potential five percent additional credit for high performance buildings or for projects that have received an allocation for Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits. For FY18 (awarded in 2017), 17 applicants sought \$27,925,358 in tax credits for construction projects with a total estimated cost of \$233,459,897. The Maryland Historical Trust awarded more than \$9 million in tax credits for FY18, which is expected to leverage private investment of more than \$36 million in the projects described below.

National Park Seminary Power Plant, Music Practice Hall & Fire House Hume Drive, Silver Spring, Montgomery County

\$1,681,643 tax credit awarded (estimated costs \$6,726,573)



Built in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, these interconnected buildings served as classrooms, mechanical support, and service buildings for the National Park Seminary, a finishing school for young women, which is now protected by MHT easement (p. 30). The buildings reflect the whimsically eclectic mix of architectural styles used throughout the campus. Despite the utilitarian functions of most of these buildings, they are notable as examples of the combination of Shingle-Style Victorian, monumental Classical Revival and Mission style architecture. The U.S. Army requisitioned the site to serve as an annex to Walter Reed Hospital in 1942 under the War Powers Act. Following an extended period of neglect and

deterioration, redevelopment began in the mid-2000s. This project will continue the progress in developing some of the remaining unrestored properties on the site, transforming them into 15 new residential apartments.

Hearn Hardware Company Race Street, Cambridge, Dorchester County

\$1,080,000 tax credit awarded (estimated costs \$5,400,000)



In 1914, this large three-story masonry building was constructed for the Herbert Hearn Hardware Company, a fixture in the Cambridge downtown business district for more than 60 years. Following its sale in 1975, the building suffered long periods of vacancy and deterioration, which led to the catastrophic collapse of much of the building's roof and sidewall in 2015. This significant landmark was saved through a partnership between Dorchester County, City of Cambridge and a private developer who took emergency action to stabilize the building and prevent its collapse. Moving forward, this rehabilitation will complete these efforts, allowing the exterior of the building to be restored, based on early photographs, to its historic appearance and

creating a mix of rental apartments and first floor commercial spaces to revitalize the streetscape.

3840 Bank Street Baltimore City

\$795,000 tax credit awarded (estimated costs \$3,975,000)



Constructed in 1924, this small-scale urban industrial building is a uniquely intact example of the type of small manufacturing buildings that were historically found in mixed residential communities in the early 20th century. The structure was built by the I.C. Isaacs & Company garment factory, known as a producer of equestrian wear and for its association with Maryland's horseracing industry. When garment production ceased in 2009, the site served a variety of uses, including warehouse storage and wholesale merchandising. When renovated, this structure will once again contribute to the vitality of the neighborhood and provide new jobs as the headquarters for Barcoding Inc., a local technology company with a combination of

spaces updated for use as office suites, warehouse and production/testing.

Belnord Theatre Pulaski Highway, Baltimore City

\$2,085,252 tax credit awarded (estimated costs \$8,341,008)



Constructed in 1921 with a minimalist classical design, the Belnord Theatre served the neighborhood for 44 years before it closed in 1965. Following its closing, the property was altered and lost much of the interior as a grocery store and later as a punk rock venue. Rehabilitation of the building will feature the restoration of the front façade to its early appearance based on photographs from 1923. The project will also restore and incorporate surviving interior details from the theatre into the design of the new spaces. These details include two decorative shallow ceiling domes, architectural metalwork, and the original theatre balcony and railing. Following completion of the project the restored building will serve as CASA of

Baltimore, hosting a multipurpose center offering training, workforce development, education services and advocacy to the immigrant community.

Kensett House Eutaw Street, Baltimore City

\$500,000 tax credit awarded (estimated costs \$2,500,000)



This three-story Italianate-style mansion was originally constructed in the 1890's in what was then one of Baltimore's most prestigious neighborhoods. By 1906, the changing nature of the neighborhood led to the construction of a large, sensitively designed rear addition that included a mansard-roofed fourth floor. These changes transformed the structure into a 24-unit apartment building with retail spaces on the ground floor. Vacant for the last several decades, the building has experienced significant deterioration. The rehabilitation will restore the exterior of the building to its 1906 appearance, and preserve the remaining historic interior finishes such as the decorative mosaic vestibule floor, door and window casings and the elaborate staircase. Following rehabilitation, this long neglected structure will provide new rental apartments that will contribute to the vitality of the neighborhood.

Alex Brown Building East Baltimore Street, Baltimore City

\$1,800,000 tax credit awarded (estimated costs \$9,000,000)



This fine example of Georgian Revival architecture was constructed in 1901 for the Alex Brown and Sons banking house. Alex Brown and Sons remains the oldest continually operating investment banking firm in the U.S., having begun with the underwriting of Baltimore's first public water works. Elaborate bronze windows, doors and railings augment the building's red brick masonry with highly articulated limestone and granite detailing. Due to its original fireproof design, the building was one of only a few buildings to survive the disastrous 1904 fire. Rehabilitation includes a sensitive conversion of the elaborate and monumental interior spaces for use as a 170-seat restaurant and office space on the upper floor. This new use will retain and celebrate the building's many architectural features such as the large stained-glass dome, decorative marble columns and wall treatments, fireplaces, wood paneled walls and marble staircases.

McCrory's 5 & 10 Cent Store West Patrick Street, Frederick, Frederick County

\$672,000 tax credit awarded (estimated costs \$3,360,000)



Previously located at 15 North Market Street, the McCrory's 5 & 10 Cent Store relocated to West Patrick Street in Frederick in 1928. In 1929, McCrory's expanded by adding a new storefront to its North Market Street location and connecting it to the building on West Patrick Street, creating a unique L-shaped structure with large open shopping areas filling the middle of the block. Changes in the retail market led to the closure of the store in 1996, after which the building housed the Frederick Arts Council. Rehabilitation of this structure, which is under MHT easement by the Ausherman Family Foundation will restore both storefronts while creating a state of the art theatre, event spaces, studios and retail space.

Union Brothers Furniture Company South Hanover Street, Baltimore City

\$386,104 tax credit awarded (estimated cost \$6,300,000)



The Union Brothers Furniture Company complex is a good example of utilitarian manufacturing facilities that have grown over time, illustrating changes in construction technologies over the first half of the 20th century. Construction began in 1923 with subsequent additions in 1925 and 1955, culminating in streamlined mid-century modern design elements in its window, canopy and storefront designs. The site continued as a furniture factory until production shut down. Since 1977, it has largely been used as a storage warehouse. Site rehabilitation will convert the buildings to a mixed-use development with opportunities for multiple businesses and office suites in the rapidly developing Stadium Square area.

Small Commercial

In 2014, Maryland expanded the program to include a new \$4 million small commercial tax credit for modest rehabilitation projects. In FY18, the Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program approved seven proposed Small Commercial Tax Credit projects worth \$169,844.

Residential

In Maryland, homeowners can earn a state income tax credit equal to 20 percent of qualified rehabilitation expenses for projects costing \$5,000 or more. In FY18, the Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program approved 165 proposed Homeowner Tax Credit projects worth an estimated \$1,832,492.

MacGillivray's Building 900 N Charles Street, Baltimore

Built in the 1860s in Baltimore's Mount Vernon historic district, the MacGillivray's Building retains many of the character-defining features of the Second Empire architectural style, including a concave mansard roof, rounded dormers and a decorative cornice. In 2017, the building's patterned slate roof – its most distinctive feature – was determined to be beyond repair. With help from the State Small Commercial Tax Credit, the owners accurately replaced the historic roof, replicating its pattern and curve and repaired trim on the dormer windows. After utilizing the state and federal commercial tax credits for a larger rehabilitation in 2004, the availability of the State Small Commercial program made it possible for the owner to continue to preserve this building and Mount Vernon's historic streetscape.



Maryland Heritage Areas Program

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 areas, each of which represents unique aspects of Maryland's historic, natural and cultural character. Individuals, businesses, nonprofits and governments form partnerships in these areas to preserve the best of Maryland's historic sites and towns, unspoiled natural landscapes and enduring cultural traditions.

In FY18, 117 grant applications were submitted, totaling \$5,510,352 in requests for heritage tourism projects and activities statewide. The Maryland Heritage Areas Authority awarded \$2,695,655 to 50 projects that foster economic development through heritage tourism, leveraging \$4,419,472 in non-state matching support.

Visitors at Harriet Tubman's childhood home, Brodess Farm, in Bucktown, part of the Heart of Chesapeake Country Heritage Area (Photo courtesy of Heart of Chesapeake Country Heritage Area)



The Meadow Mountain Trail ribbon-cutting ceremony took place in November 2017 in the Mountain Maryland Gateway to the West Heritage Area. (Photo courtesy of the Garrett Trails)

County	Applicant	Project	Award
Allegany	Canal Place Preservation & Development Authority	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Allegany	Mayor and City Council of Cumberland	Cumberland History Trail	\$9,900
Anne Arundel	Annapolis Maritime Museum, Inc	“White Gold: The Lure & Legacy of the Maryland Oyster”	\$35,000
Anne Arundel	Annapolis, London Town and South County Heritage Area, Inc.	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Anne Arundel	Historic Annapolis, Inc.	A History of Annapolis in 99 Objects: Exhibit Design Development	\$50,000
Anne Arundel	The Lost Towns Project, Inc.	A Multi-Media Enhancement of Four River’s African American Heritage Trail	\$34,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Herb Festival (Committee for the Preservation of Winans Chapel in Leakin Park)	Preservation of Winans Chapel in Leakin Park	\$47,025
Baltimore City	Baltimore Heritage Area Association, Inc.	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts	Emergency Request - Weatherization, Stabilization and Restoration of the Bromo Seltzer Art Tower	\$54,650
Baltimore City	Historic Ships In Baltimore, Inc.	USS Constellation Hull Repairs	\$70,175
Baltimore City	National Aquarium, Inc.	Model Urban Waterfront: An Inclusive Learning Landscape	\$50,000
Baltimore City	Pride of Baltimore, Inc.	Pride of Baltimore II’s 30 Year Refit	\$90,000
Baltimore County	Oella Historical Society, Inc.	Oella Cemetery Survey and Signage	\$5,600
Baltimore County	Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY18 Marketing Grant	\$10,000
Baltimore County	Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Calvert	Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland	FY18 Management Grant	\$56,000
Caroline	Eastern Shore Heritage, Inc.	FY18 Management Grant	\$49,250
Carroll	Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Carroll	Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area	FY18 Marketing Grant	\$45,000
Cecil	Lower Susquehanna Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Cecil	Town of Port Deposit	Historic Tome Steps - Phase 1	\$15,000
Charles	Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland	Signage at Thomas Stone National Historic Site, Leonardtown, and Newtowne Neck	\$23,543
Dorchester	Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, Inc.	The Packing House, Smokestack Stabilization	\$90,000
Dorchester	Heart of Chesapeake Country Heritage Area	FY18 Marketing Grant	\$45,000

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Dorchester	Heart of Chesapeake Country Heritage Area	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Frederick	Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc.	Museum of the Ironworker Development Grant	\$90,000
Frederick	Historical Society of Frederick County	History Activities Exhibit Room	\$10,095
Garrett	Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, Inc.	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Garrett	Highland Festival of Garrett County, Maryland, Inc.	PILOT Chautauqua Event: Celtic Roots	\$5,000
Garrett	Mayor and Town Council of Oakland, Maryland	Pedestrian Gateway	\$90,000
Harford	Chesapeake Heritage Conservancy, Inc.	The Restoration of the Skipjack Martha Lewis	\$40,500
Howard	Ellicott City Historic District Partnership	Aiming Higher...Helping Ellicott City Get Back on Its Street	\$5,000
Howard	Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks	Barnard Fort House Rehab/Reuse Project	\$30,000
Montgomery	Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, Inc.	Glen Echo Park Carousel Project	\$59,628
Montgomery	Heritage Tourism Alliance of Montgomery County	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Montgomery	Montgomery County Historical Society	Wayfinding and Access Project	\$10,000
Prince George's	Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Inc.	FY18 Management Grant	\$100,000
Prince George's	City of Bowie - Historic Properties	Belair Stable Museum Replacement Interpretive Panels	\$9,350
Prince George's	Field of Firsts Foundation Inc	USPS Air Mail Centennial Exhibit	\$34,000
Prince George's	George A. and Carmel D. Aman Memorial Trust	Bostwick House Exterior Envelope Restoration	\$87,500
Queen Anne's	Kent Narrows Development Foundation	The Kent Narrows Maritime Heritage Project	\$13,596
Somerset	The Crisfield Heritage Foundation, Inc.	Planning Documents for the Rehabilitation of the Crisfield Customs House	\$14,588
Somerset	Friends of Teackle Mansion, Inc.	Teackle Mansion Restoration	\$80,000
Somerset	Lower Eastern Shore Heritage Committee, Inc.	FY18 Management Grant	\$71,275
Talbot	The Avalon Foundation, Inc.	Avalon Theatre Repair	\$90,000
Talbot	Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum	Restoration of the Edna E. Lockwood	\$65,000
Washington	Friends of Tolson's Chapel (an unincorporated association)	Emergency Request - Land Acquisition for Historic Landscape Preservation and Expanded Visitor Access	\$15,750
Washington	National Road Heritage Foundation, Inc.	Phase 5 - Specifications for Exhibit Production for the National Road Museum	\$50,000

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Washington	National Road Heritage Foundation, Inc.	Emergency Request - Roof Replacement for the National Road Museum	\$9,125
Washington	The Washington County Historical Society, Inc.	Vertical Platform Lift for Miller House Museum ADA Project	\$10,555
Wicomico	Allen Historical Society, Inc.	Huffington-Pollitt Local Museum and Cultural Center	\$30,088
Worcester	Delmarva Discovery Center & Museum, Inc.	Interpretation & Signage Project	\$41,287
Worcester	Lower Shore Land Trust, Inc.	Lower Eastern Shore Conservation & Heritage Center	\$22,700

Evaluating Program Impacts to Heritage Tourism in Maryland

MHAA identified the need to develop a system for documenting program impact in a comprehensive and systematic way as a top priority. As a first step, in FY18, the firm Strategic Impact Advisors conducted an economic impact study based on visitation numbers and grant award amounts within the 13 heritage areas. The last time such a report was completed was in 2003, when there were only seven certified heritage areas. The new study's updated methodology was more robust and focused on the direct financial impact of MHAA grants. The results of the study revealed that MHAA grants generate \$19.8 million in state and local taxes, have a return on investment of \$4.45 for every dollar of state grant funds, and leverage \$7.78 for every dollar of state grant funds, \$6.78 of which is non-state support.

A Snapshot of the Economic Impact of Maryland Heritage Areas Grants



SMART INVESTMENTS IN THE
STATE'S PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE



Archeological Research and Survey

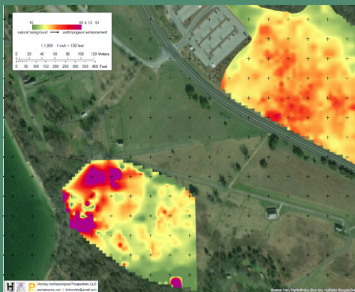
Through archeological research and survey, MHT helps identify and document important historic and prehistoric sites through its terrestrial and maritime archeology programs. In FY18, MHT added 110 terrestrial archeological sites, as well as 66 terrestrial site and 188 maritime updates, to the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties. One hundred twenty-eight archeological survey reports were accessioned into the library, covering 3,571 acres.

Historic Preservation Grant Funds for Archeological Research and Survey

In FY18, the Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program provided \$62,000 to archeological research and survey projects. FY18 marks the first time the program has received funding since 2012.



Chesapeake Bay Watershed Archaeological Research Foundation (\$20,000) to conduct archeological survey of the Honga River watershed on Maryland's Eastern Shore. As of the end of FY18, 33.8 linear miles of shoreline had been surveyed, 34 new archeological sites were documented, and four previously identified sites received significantly updated documentation.



Historic St. Mary's City (\$16,000) to carry out a remote sensing survey to locate the fort erected in 1634 by the first Maryland colonists. In May and June of 2018, the first stages of geophysical remote sensing were carried out.



Archeological Society of Maryland (\$13,500) to produce a research report chronicling the full history of archeological investigations at the prehistoric Native American village at Biggs Ford in Frederick County from 1969 to 2015.



Archeological Society of Maryland (\$13,500) for the 2018 Tyler Bastian Field Session in Maryland Archeology, held at the Calverton site near Prince Frederick. Two consecutive field sessions have proved that the 17th century seat of Calvert County's government is still present, sufficiently intact to answer research questions about Maryland's early history, and severely threatened by ongoing erosion. For more information about fieldwork at Calverton see the section on "Public Archeology Programs" and, below, the "Success Story: Learning More through Remote Sensing."

Archeological Research and Survey Activities

In collaboration with MHT's terrestrial archaeologists, the Maryland Maritime Archeology Program continued research of areas within and adjacent to Janes Island State Park in Somerset County. This work, supported by a grant from NPS's Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief Fund and in-kind contributions by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, involves inventory and assessment of impacts to archeological sites caused by erosion and storm damage. Electronic remote sensing survey of the Wicomico River separating Charles and St. Mary's counties continues.

Archeological Synthesis Database

Although MHT makes archeological site survey information available to qualified archeologists through its online Medusa application (p. 24), rich information associated with these sites is spread out in archeological reports, compiled and submitted over time. Through the online database, users can access synopsis reports and aggregate data tables that can be easily searched and organized as part of background research or to inform recommendations for further research. The database also enables MHT staff to respond to public inquiries and requests in a matter of minutes, rather than having to conduct several hours or days of library research. The project has, to date, produced a searchable database of information on 1,250 archeological sites (mht.maryland.gov/secure/synthesis).

Archeological Research Permits

Staff assisted four state agencies by issuing eight terrestrial archeology permits between July 2017 and June 2018 for archeological investigations on lands that they administer. Investigations on land held by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources included: work associated with the Point Lookout Lighthouse restoration in St. Mary's County; the Swallow Falls Road Bridge replacement in Garrett County; and the conversion of a stone worker's cottage into the Catoctin Furnace Museum of the Ironworker in Frederick County. A single permit was issued for archeology that will both inform and mitigate impacts of the Department of General Services restoration of the Brice House in Annapolis, and St. Mary's College of Maryland received a permit to conduct archeological investigations of the suspected dwelling places of enslaved persons that would be impacted by improvements associated with the Jamie L. Roberts Stadium project. No new permit applications or renewal requests for maritime archeology were received during FY18.

Learning More through Remote Sensing

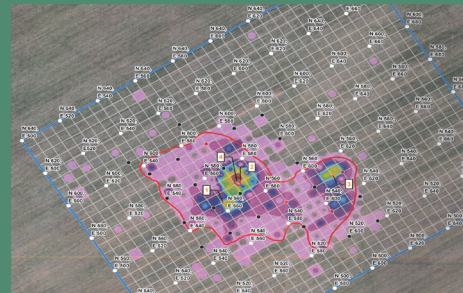
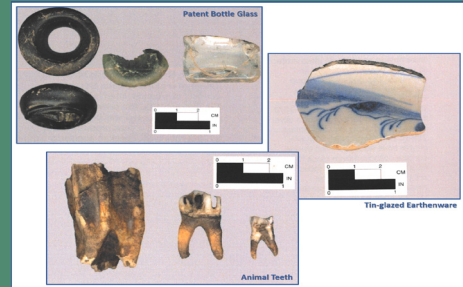


Based on historical records, the land at the confluence of Battle Creek and Patuxent River seemed to be the location of the 17th century colonial town of Calverton, but some local residents contended that the town site had eroded away. In 2017, MHT archeologists rented a magnetic susceptibility instrument from a geoprospecting firm to measure the soil's susceptibility to magnetic influence at the sampled site, a metric that is influenced by past human activity. By establishing a systematic grid of sampling locations across the property, MHT archeology staff could rapidly map potential areas of past human activity without disturbing the underlying soil. This mapping work identified increased evidence of past activity with proximity to the shoreline, suggesting that the townsite was very near the shore, but not

completely eroded. "Hot spots" identified through this survey informed the placement of excavation units and guided the research at Calverton during the 2017 and 2018 Tyler Bastion Field Sessions in Maryland Archeology. The success of the remote sensing survey led MHT to acquire a Bartington MS-2 Magnetic Susceptibility Meter in FY18, which will allow archeologists to rapidly deploy the equipment for use anywhere in the state without the delays, liability and costs inherent when using rented equipment from an outside supplier.

Using the Archeological Synthesis Database to Identify Research Priorities

In October 2017, before the installation of a solar generation complex, researchers in Queen Anne's County carried out archeological testing on a tract consistently used by tenant farmers, dating back to at least the last quarter of the 18th century. While tenancy was a common practice historically in Queen Anne's County, examination of MHT's Archeological Synthesis Database revealed this type of site to be largely understudied. Through a search of the database, researchers were able to quickly discover that no 18th century tenant occupations in Queen Anne's County have received rigorous archeological testing, and only one other site in the state (a heavily disturbed site in Talbot County) has been evaluated for inclusion on the National Register (and determined ineligible). Ceramics recovered during the excavations on the Queen Anne's County site provided a mean ceramic date of 1802 for the site and suggested a relatively low economic status for the site's occupants, reinforcing the hypothesis that the site was a tenant farm. Test excavations also identified the presence of an intact feature (likely a cellar) near the center of the site, indicating that the farm retained good integrity and might contain additional features associated with the late 18th to early 19th-century occupation of the property. Following MHT's review of these findings, staff concurred that the site did indeed possess good integrity and unique research potential and was therefore eligible for inclusion in the National Register. Development plans could then be altered to avoid the site during construction of the solar installation.



Consultation with Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs and the Nause-Waiwash Indian Community



On May 15, 2018, as part of an effort to identify archeological resources threatened by seawater inundation, an MHT archeologist discovered Native American human remains on the shoreline at a prehistoric site along the Honga River in Dorchester County. Leaving the human remains undisturbed, MHT contacted the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs, Chief Donna Wolf Mother Abbott of the Nause-Waiwash Band of Indians, Inc., and the current property owner to inform them of the discovery and to ensure they were aware that the site and its associated burials had become vulnerable to erosion and sea level rise. Following consultation, Chief Donna Abbott notified MHT that the property owner and the Nause-Waiwash had agreed that the remains would be reinterred and allowed to complete their journey, thanking MHT for its "continued support in preserving our culture and traditions with the highest respect to our ancestors."

African American Heritage Preservation Program

The African American Heritage Preservation Program encourages the preservation of buildings, sites and communities of historical and cultural significance to the African American experience in Maryland. Launched in 2010 and permanently reauthorized in 2015 by the Maryland General Assembly, the program is jointly sponsored by MHT and the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture. In FY18, 12 projects were selected to receive a combined \$1 million in funding for capital projects throughout the state. Applications and guidelines for the FY19 grant were released in March 2018.

FY18 projects included:

Renewing a Community Space at St. Luke's Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Located in the Reisterstown National Register Historic District, the fellowship hall at St. Luke's United Methodist Church was originally built in 1898 as the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows Lodge #1489. The Odd Fellows is a mutual aid and benefit organization founded by Peter Ogden, an African American sailor, in 1842. Members of St. Luke's United Methodist Church received a FY15 grant to begin rehabilitation on the fellowship hall, and have completed work on the masonry foundation, siding, chimney and structural framing. The next phase of work will include repair and installation of the windows and interior rehabilitation and will be funded by a bond bill.



The fellowship hall before work commenced in 2015.



The fellowship hall following the first phase of renovation.

African American Heritage Preservation Program Grants



Bethel Outreach Center, Inc., Baltimore City (\$100,000) to rehabilitate the c. 1920 building in the Old West Baltimore National Register Historic District for use as the Bethel Community Empowerment and Wellness Center, Bethel A.M.E. Church's resource center for the local community.



The Chipman Foundation, Inc., Wicomico County (\$100,000) to help rehabilitate the Charles H. Chipman Center, currently used as a cultural center and small museum focusing on African American heritage on the Eastern Shore. Constructed on the oldest African American congregation site in the region, the center also housed the region's first school for children of freed slaves and the first Delmarva high school for African American children after the Civil War.



Community Civic League of Federalsburg, Inc., Caroline County (\$96,000) to help rehabilitate the Laurel Grove Road School, constructed as a school for African Americans in 1918, as part of the Rosenwald School initiative and used today as a multipurpose community resource center.



Ebenezer Kingdom Builders, Inc., Baltimore City (\$100,000) for the exterior rehabilitation of the c. 1865 Ebenezer A.M.E. Church and Parish House in the Federal Hill National Register Historic District, which may be the oldest standing church in Baltimore erected by African Americans and continuously occupied by the descendants of the same congregation.



Friends of Stanley Institute, Inc., Dorchester County (\$24,000) to help rehabilitate the National Register-listed Stanley Institute School, constructed c. 1865, and believed to be one of the oldest still-extant one-room schools for African American education in Dorchester County.



Historic Easton, Inc., Talbot County (\$100,000) to support foundation repair and other capital costs for Asbury M.E. Church, the oldest African American church in Easton, which was dedicated by Frederick Douglass in 1878, and now serves as a community center for a historically African American enclave known as the "Hill."

Jane Gates Heritage House, Inc., Allegany County (\$100,000) for interior and exterior rehabilitation work at the Jane Gates Heritage House, located on Cumberland's West Side, whose namesake, a former slave, purchased the property in 1871 and lived here with her five children, including Edward Gates, the great-grandfather of Dr. Henry Louis Gates Jr., a prominent scholar of African American culture at Harvard University.



Mount Zion United Methodist Church, Anne Arundel County (\$100,000) to rehabilitate the Magothy Elementary Rosenwald School, which was built adjacent to Mt. Zion in the 1920s and illustrates the close traditional relationship between African American churches and African American education, particularly during segregation.



Mt. Gilboa African Methodist Episcopal Church, Baltimore County (\$72,000) for exterior rehabilitation of the National Register-listed c. 1859 church, built by the free black community of Oella. The existing stone church replaces an earlier log chapel where Benjamin Banneker, whose farm was nearby, may have worshipped.



Pleasant View United Methodist Church, Montgomery County (\$100,000) to stabilize and repair the c. 1888 church and bell tower located in the Pleasant View Historic Site, a three-acre property that includes the Quince Orchard Colored School and the Pleasant View Cemetery.



St. Stephens African Methodist Episcopal Church, Talbot County (\$100,000) to help rehabilitate the c. 1892 Gothic Revival church, one of the oldest structures in Unionville, which may have been named following the return of African American soldiers (U.S. Colored Troops) from the Civil War.



St. Paul Church Historical, Revitalization and Maintenance, Inc., Caroline County (\$8,000) to help with exterior repairs to one of the earliest African American churches in Caroline County, which will be used to promote community education and awareness of African American culture in the 19th and 20th centuries.



Architectural Research and Survey

Through architectural research and survey, MHT helps 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 FY18, staff added 95 standing structures and survey districts, as well as 46 updates, to the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties, totaling more than 4,561 acres.

Historic Preservation Grant Funds for Architectural Research and Survey

In FY18, the Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program provided \$138,000 to 10 projects for architectural research and survey. FY18 marks the first time the program has received funding since 2012.

FY18 projects included:



Somerset County Historical Trust, Inc. (\$45,000) for a historic sites survey on the Lower Eastern Shore, which will document approximately 60 buildings and sites in Somerset and Dorchester counties threatened by sea level rise.



Preservation Maryland (\$10,000) to develop an outreach and educational program highlighting the women's suffrage movement in Maryland, including a lecture series and exhibit.



St. Mary's College of Maryland (\$45,000) to document domestic service buildings, such as kitchens, smokehouses and dairies in Prince George's, Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's counties. This type of building is often undocumented and threatened by lack of maintenance and investment.



Historic Sotterley, Inc. (\$10,000) for a historic structures report for the Madame Bowles Chamber, part of the original c. 1703 post-in-ground construction at Sotterley Plantation.



Anne Arundel County (\$17,500) to develop a historic context report on one underrepresented heritage theme, such as 19th and 20th century German immigration in northern Anne Arundel County, and preparation of 10 Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties forms.



Morgan Park Improvement Association (\$10,000) to prepare a National Register district nomination for Morgan Park, an early 20th century African American neighborhood in Baltimore associated with the development of Morgan College (later Morgan State University).

Architectural Research and Survey Activities

In addition to state funds for architectural research and survey, MHT received an Underrepresented Community Grant of \$30,500 from NPS to fund additional documentation, including National Register nominations and Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties forms, on historic sites related to the Women's Suffrage Movement in Maryland. The use of the Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief Fund will be expanded to include enhanced documentation of Swallow Falls, Herrington Manor, and Martinak state parks, all Maryland Department of Natural Resources properties.

Supporting Local Efforts

In addition to outreach to preservation planners in four Western Maryland counties and the City of Frederick, staff conducted site visits to assist property owners and preservation partners on projects, including: 260 West Main Street, Elkton (Cecil County); LaGrange, Sarum, and the Hughesville Commercial and Tobacco Warehouse Historic District, (Charles County); Appleby (Dorchester County); Morgan Hill Farm (Calvert County); Charles Wagner House (Prince George's County); Howard House, a Maryland Department of Natural Resources property (Montgomery County); and, the Carroll, John Shaw, Hammond-Harwood, and Chase-Lloyd Houses (Anne Arundel County). As part of this work, staff provided guidance and expertise on major restoration and reconstruction projects, including the Brice House in Annapolis. The Brice House restoration project will restore the building to its original 1770s appearance. The work includes comprehensive documentation, paint analysis, archeology, and conservation of original building fabric and prefabrication of missing elements.



Herrington Manor State Park, Cabin 7, an example of a Civilian Conservation Corps, ca. 1937-1940 cabin, exhibiting single side-gabled plan. Courtesy of John Murphey, FirstLight Consulting.



MHT staff members Michael Day and Marcia Miller participate in the placement of the “renewal” stone marking the 21st-century restoration of the James Brice House in Annapolis.

National Register of Historic Places

As Maryland's federally-designated State Historic Preservation Office, MHT is responsible for nominating Maryland properties to the National Register of Historic Places. In FY18, nine individual properties and one historic district were added to the Register including Union Brothers Furniture Company (Baltimore City), Commercial Credit Building (Baltimore City), Morgan State University Memorial Chapel (Baltimore City), Hughes A.M.E. Church (Dorchester County), Rosenstock Archeological Site (Frederick County), New Mark Commons Historic District (Montgomery County), Mihran Mesrobian Residence (Montgomery County), Marenka House (Prince George's County), and Bay Breeze/Captain Robert S. Craig Cottage (Worcester County).

As contributing resources within these listings, 285 Maryland properties are afforded the benefits and protections of National Register designation.



Bay Breeze was built in 1949-50 for Captain Robert S. Craig, whose role in the development and leadership of the Ocean City Beach Patrol (OCBP), the town's ocean lifeguard organization, spanned over fifty years and contributed to the growth of the town as a beach resort. Throughout three decades of the OCBP's history, the cottage served as its informal headquarters, where meetings were held, records were kept, and summer lifeguards found sleeping accommodations. During Captain Craig's leadership, the OCBP became nationally known for its management and ocean rescue work..



Constructed in 1941, the **Mihran Mesrobian Residence** in Chevy Chase was designed by prominent Washington, DC-area architect Mihran Mesrobian for himself and his wife, Zabelle, in the Art Moderne style. It was the only house he designed for himself and served as his residence until his death in 1975.



New Mark Commons, a community of 273 residences developed between 1967 and 1973, represents a collaborative effort of builder Edmund J. Bennett and architects Keyes, Lethbridge, & Condon in the suburbs of Washington, DC. New Mark Commons features a comprehensive site plan, innovative in its time, combining clustered and free-standing houses within a rolling, wooded landscape. The Bennett/KLC collaboration received substantial recognition in the popular and professional press in its day, as outstanding exponents of "Situated Modernism."

Architectural Survey Data Analysis Project

The newly launched project will assess, county by county, the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties and other MHT library holdings. This comprehensive review will highlight documentation needs and inform and guide future MHT survey efforts. Through this analysis, the project will identify underrepresented historic themes, architectural styles and building and property types, as well as under surveyed areas of the state, and highly significant resources that need to be re-surveyed or researched further. Data collected during the project (e.g., architectural style, building type, historic function, materials, date of construction, etc.) will eventually become searchable data in Medusa, MHT's cultural resource information system.

Vernacular Architecture Forum

Staff served on the planning committee of the 39th annual Vernacular Architecture Forum Conference – *A Shared Heritage: Urban and Rural Experience on the Banks of the Potomac* – that took place May 2-5, 2018. Staff developed and led Maryland site tours for participants, which included national and international scholars, professionals, and students across various disciplines involving the built environment. The well-received conference drew more than 260 participants to the region and resulted in additional documentation for more than 20 buildings and sites on the Western Shore of Maryland, including detailed measured drawings and site plans for many of the highlighted sites.



The 2018 VAF Advocacy Award recognized the work of the Galesville Community Center Organization for restoring the Rosenwald School, as well as the group's long-term record of advocacy for the preservation of vernacular resources in their community.

Charles Carroll House

In FY18, with support from NPS' Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief Fund, a team of historic preservation specialists, architectural historians, architects, landscape architects, and structural engineers completed a preservation plan for the Charles Carroll House. A contributing property to the Annapolis National Historic Landmark district and an MHT easement property, the house is associated with three generations of influential and prominent Marylanders, including Charles Carroll of Carrollton, the last surviving signer of the Declaration of Independence who died in 1832. Recommendations included: the stabilization of the Duke of Gloucester brick wall that fronts the adjoining street and frames the garden; treatment options for the building's envelope; and additional archeological investigations for the lower terrace, an area that may yield important subsurface information and is the only portion of the property that falls within the floodplain.



Charles Carroll House, Annapolis, courtesy of EHT Tracerics.

Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory

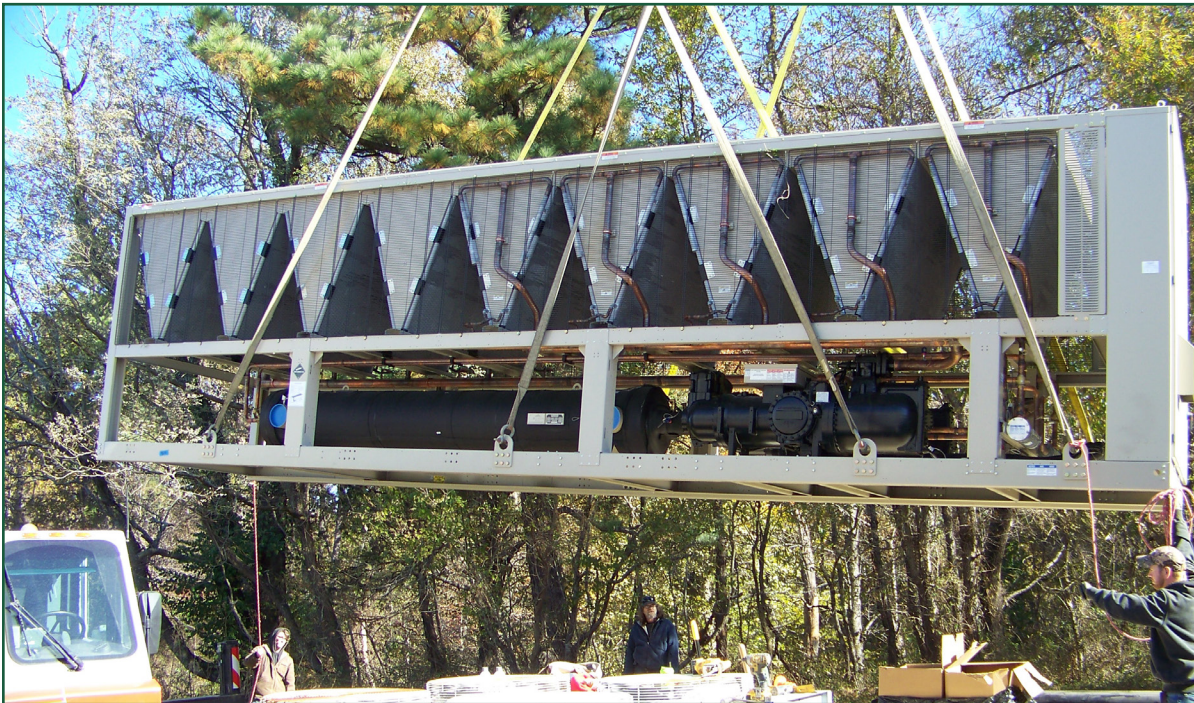
The Maryland Archaeological Conservation (MAC) Laboratory at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum houses the state's archeological collection, which includes more than eight million objects collected over the past 100 years.

Research and Conservation

In FY18, staff conserved artifacts from clients throughout the U.S., including NPS, Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation, U.S. Navy, Delaware State Parks, City of Deadwood, Delaware Public Archives, New York State Museum, Alexandria Archaeology, Museum of the American Revolution, Calvert Marine Museum, Chesapeake Beach Railway Museum, George Washington's Mount Vernon, James Madison's Montpelier, Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest, University of Mary Washington, and the University of Maryland. Included among the objects conserved were the USS Delaware nameplate and ship's bell, a George Washington inaugural campaign button, several 19th-century hats including an impressive felted wool top hat, wooden bottle molds from Pennsylvania's Dyott Glassworks, Civil War-era molded and painted lead soldiers, a mis-cast late 18th century cannon from Boonsboro, and the three shipwrecks recently discovered in downtown Alexandria, Virginia.

Facilities Improvements

During FY18, the lab received a new chiller and upgrades to the exhaust systems. These changes, initiated by the Department of General Services, made a great improvement to the MAC lab's ability to conserve artifacts by improving overall temperature and humidity levels, and making it possible to run the large archeological freeze drier year-round. Additional facilities repairs and improvements are scheduled.



Chiller installation at MAC Lab in November 2017.

A Major Archeological Collection Arrives at the MAC Lab

After several years of negotiations among the State of Maryland, City of Baltimore and Maryland Historical Society, archeological collections excavated between 1983 and 1997 by the Baltimore Center for Urban Archaeology came to the MAC lab for permanent curation beginning in April 2018. The collections consist of almost 500 boxes of archaeological artifacts and their associated excavation and field records from some of the city's most important archaeological sites. Since 1997 these artifacts have been stored at the Maryland Historical Society, where they were not available to researchers. Since their arrival at the MAC lab, the artifacts have been successfully identified new study collections have been created. The lab has already begun to make the collections available to the public. A sample of artifacts from the Clagett Brewery Site was on display in April during JPPM's Discovering Archaeology Day event and an Archaeological Conservancy tour.



Members of an Archaeological Conservancy tour admire artifacts from the privy at Clagett's Brewery.

The Bald Friar Petroglyph Documentation Project



Conservator Julie Flynn removing modern brick and cement from one of the petroglyphs. The modern materials had been used earlier in the twentieth century to help mend broken fragments of the art. Not only will this improve the appearance, but it will also decrease the size and weight of the petroglyphs.

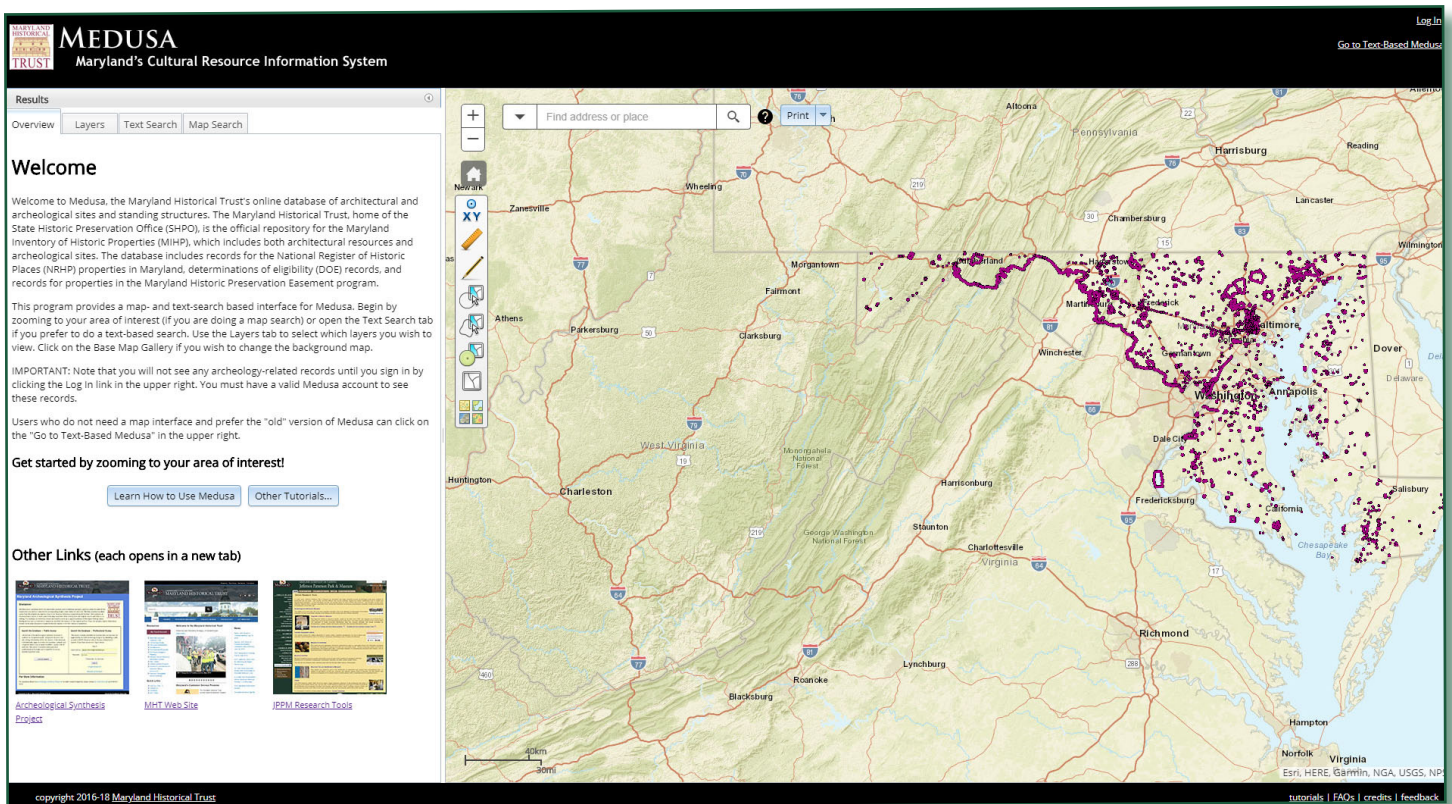
The MAC lab curates 197 stones that make up the Bald Friar Petroglyphs. These fragmented pieces of prehistoric rock art arrived at the lab in the early 2000s, after having been removed from their original location along the Susquehanna River and later dumped and forgotten in a parking lot of Druid Hill Park. In the summer of 2017, the lab began a project to clean, photograph, and document the collection. Since the petroglyphs are not always very easy to see, raking light photography was used to document the stones. By taking several photos of the stone with one light source shining around the stones at oblique angles it was possible to combine the photos to exaggerate the shadows within the carved depressions in the stone. When this new photo was converted to black and white, it was a stark improvement to the normal visibility.

Cultural Resource Information Program: Research on Site and Online

While cultural resource professionals, such as architectural historians and archeologists, visit MHT's library in Crownsville each year to research historic and cultural properties, MHT recognizes that online access to information is critical for researchers in the state and beyond. In FY18, MHT took substantial steps to improve and enhance online access to this data.

Medusa, the State's Cultural Resource Information System

MHT recently launched an online version of Medusa, the state's cultural resource information system, which allows users to explore historic and cultural properties via a map-based interface. Medusa provides access to the state's data on more than 45,000 known architectural and 15,000 known archeological resources. Map-based searches increase efficiency for researchers, businesses and government agencies, while improving access to historic property information sought by students and the interested public. Access Medusa at: mht.maryland.gov/secure/medusa/.



In FY18, with the help of two grants from the State Highway Administration, MHT completed the digitization of Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties (MIHP) forms and associated records, including photographs into PDF format, making even more data available via Medusa. In addition, extensive work has taken place to document individual architectural resources within Maryland's many historic districts and this material is now also available.

As a next step in making the MIHP more accessible and usable, MHT will transcribe and categorize data (architectural style, construction date, historic function, etc.) so that it may be searched. In FY18, MHT began a project to capture and integrate more of this data into Medusa, enabling much more robust search capabilities as part of the "Architectural Survey Data Analysis Project" (described on p. 21). The initiative will also help MHT evaluate the current state of documentation on Maryland's structures and to direct future funding to important but lesser understood areas.

GIS and Databases

MHT continues to digitize the locations of properties and sites to provide map-based access in Medusa and develop effective database solutions. The program works extensively with MHT and other agencies to ensure consistency and completeness. Much of the data is published on MD iMAP, Maryland's Mapping and GIS Data Portal (imap.maryland.gov). Jen Chadwick-Moore serves as the state representative for Maryland with the Geographic Names Authority, which is responsible for coordinating place-naming activity among local, state, and federal agencies.

Maryland Historical Trust Library

The library holds books, journals, vertical files, inventory forms and photographs for all inventoried architectural and archeological sites, architectural drawings, 4,500 site-specific reports (some of which have been digitized), oral history interviews (on tape and in written form), and copies of historic maps. As in previous years, feedback was highly positive in terms of customer service, availability of needed information, ease of scheduling appointments, and knowledge when responding to reference requests.



The library received a complete makeover in February and March 2018, with walls repainted, new carpet installed, and new furniture and file cabinets allowing us to make the space more welcoming and efficient.

Library Digitization

Serving as the state clearinghouse for technical documentation about historic resources, the MHT library currently has more than 5,000 archeological and architectural technical reports in its collection. With the state's focus on providing outstanding customer service, and with Medusa now giving instant online map-based access to the MIHP, MHT is now providing easier online access to the reports in state holdings as well.

The library has begun a long-term digitization project aimed at scanning all catalogued archeological and architectural reports in the library for eventual online distribution through Medusa. Access to archeological reports will be subject to the same authorization guidelines that guide access to archeological site locations. Once this project is completed, clients will be able to view virtually all available documentation remotely when doing background research.

Currently only about 10 percent of the library's report collection is digitized. A concerted effort to digitize the remaining reports will take place over the next few years. Already, all incoming reports are being digitized at the time of cataloguing, and new submittals are requested in both digital and paper format. MHT will seek grant funding in the coming months to help accelerate this effort.



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 Certified Local Government program, and by reviewing and commenting on local comprehensive plans and amendments.

***PreserveMaryland*, the 2014-2018 Statewide Preservation Plan**

Each year, MHT monitors the implementation of *PreserveMaryland*, a five-year plan that calls upon public agencies, private organizations and individuals involved in preservation to work toward five statewide goals: Connect with Broader Audiences, Improve the Framework for Preservation, Expand and Update Documentation, Build Capacity and Strengthen Networks and Collaborate Toward Shared Objectives. To help track progress, MHT created webpages that allow for ongoing updates to the plan online. Progress toward the plan's goals in FY18, included the launch of the MHT Roadshow (p. 28), expanded research and survey activity through the restored Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant Program (pp. 12 and 18) and the Project Review and Compliance Log (p. 33).

In FY18, MHT also began to prepare for the next iteration of the statewide plan. To guide the update of the preservation plan for 2019-2024 and begin public outreach, MHT formed an interdisciplinary advisory committee, representing viewpoints from around the state. In addition to targeted surveys delivered online and in person, staff facilitated focus groups on topic areas identified by the committee and hosted open public meetings that drew more than 450 participants.

Certified Local Government Program

The Certified Local Government program, administered by MHT and NPS, recognizes counties and municipalities that have made a special commitment to preservation. MHT awards 10 percent of its annual allocation from the NPS Historic Preservation Fund to Certified Local Government projects and educational opportunities each year.

The following project grants were awarded in 2018:



Charles County (up to \$10,000) to conduct landscape studies on recent public land acquisitions in the Port Tobacco Historic District, which may include ground penetrating radar, magnetometry, and high resolution aerial drone imaging



Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions (MAHDC), on behalf of Calvert County (up to \$2,500) to support their annual symposium, highlighting affordability, and historic preservation.



Calvert County (up to \$24,000) to engage an architectural historian to survey historic properties in Calvert County, which do not have sufficient documentation in the MIHP. Documentation can help land use planners, property owners, and others in decision-making about the properties, while also providing valuable information for researchers.



City of Frederick (up to \$10,000) to contract with a qualified archeologist to conduct a combined Phase I/II investigation of a site that includes the Mill Pond House Ruins, a rare early 18th century structure with German influences, as well as public outreach.

Weather It Together Program

Now in its fourth year, the Maryland Historical Trust's *Weather It Together* Program continues to offer 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 agency partners, including the Maryland Resiliency Partnership, a multi-agency effort that includes nonprofits dedicated to resilience planning.



Outreach and Educational Activities

Held in Annapolis in the fall of 2017, the *Keeping History Above Water II* conference included an MHT-led session on education and communication as well as a joint effort between the Maryland Department of the Environment and MHT, who co-presented *Historic Structures and the National Flood Insurance Program: Is There a Balance?* Items discussed included floodplain regulations, flood mitigation, and maintaining the integrity of historic properties while protecting them from flooding. Engagement with the archeological community about the vulnerability of sites to natural hazards culminated in a presentation at the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting where MHT shared its approach to the treatment of these endangered sites.

Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Planning Grants

With funding from NPS' Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief Fund, several jurisdictions completed planning projects to enhance their communities' resilience to natural hazards. Talbot County conducted documentation, survey, and risk assessment, and made flood mitigation recommendations for prototypical building-types of historic properties in five water-oriented villages. These materials were adopted by the Talbot County Council and are being used by the County Historic Preservation Commission to direct and inform future hazard mitigation planning for the county's vulnerable cultural resources. Dorchester County completed a cultural resources chapter to be incorporated into the County's Hazard Mitigation Plan, which was adopted by the County Council. The Town of Port Deposit completed its update to the Town's National Register Historic District nomination, which the town will use to plan for impacts from flood hazards. Through a partnership with the Town of Elkton, Port Deposit also oversaw a risk assessment for Elkton's historic properties, which will be used by the town to plan for flooding.

Hazard Planning for Small Sites and Museums

MHT's Hazard Mitigation Officer attended the 2018 Heritage Emergency and Response Training, sponsored by the Heritage Emergency National Task Force, a joint effort led by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Smithsonian Institution). Selection of training participants was competitive, with only 25 of 130 applicants chosen to attend. Training covered a variety of topics including using FEMA's Incident Command System when responding to disasters, developing a disaster plan, conducting damage assessments, and "first aid" for museum collections. Based on the training, MHT developed and delivered the workshop "Hazard Planning for Small Sites and Museums" to a group of museum professionals, hosted by the Maryland Milestones Anacostia Trails Heritage Area. The workshop, which focused on the development of an emergency operations plan to guide an organization's response to a disaster, will be delivered again in the fall of 2018, this time hosted by the Patapsco Heritage Greenway.



Attendees at the Hazard Planning Workshop
(Source: ATHA, Inc.)

MHT in Your Community



Although MHT is headquartered in Crownsville, program staff travel the state each year to connect constituents to funding, technical assistance, and other opportunities.

MHT Roadshow. In the fall of 2017, MHT launched a new outreach program to help constituents learn more about the agency's work and programs. Working with a host agency or organization, staff offered short presentations on a variety of topics, including grant programs, architectural research and survey, and preservation easements, all tailored to the audience's needs. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions, network, and participate in conversation. To learn more or schedule a roadshow in your community, please visit mht.maryland.gov/roadshow.shtml.

Tax Credit Workshops. In FY18, MHT offered rehabilitation tax credit workshops (p. 4). Each workshop covers in-depth information on the state and federal tax credit programs, guidance on the application process, program requirements, and general technical advice. MHT also partners with local preservation commissions, organizations, and government agencies to raise awareness of local incentive programs for historic rehabilitation. These events allow the public to meet the tax credit reviewers and ask questions about their individual properties. Since the start of the series, the program has seen an increase in inquiries and applications received from each of the visited communities. In FY18, staff held eight workshops and began planning for more in FY19.

Grant Workshops. MHT holds funding workshops in Crownsville and around the state. In FY18, staff conducted four African American Heritage Preservation Program workshops from March to May, with approximately 76 attendees in Fairmount Heights, Cockeysville, Federalsburg, and Thurmont. Attendees in Thurmont stayed after the workshop to share success stories about their projects with representatives of MHT and the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture.

In FY18, MHT Historic Preservation Capital Grant Program was funded for the first time since 2009, with \$600,000 available for the acquisition, restoration, and rehabilitation of historic properties in Maryland. The relaunch of the program began with grant workshops across the state in November 2017. Approximately 110 attendees participated in workshops in Upper Marlboro, Cumberland, Baltimore, and Cambridge.





From September 2017 through January 2018, Maryland Heritage Area staff reached more than 150 people through the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area Grants Workshop in Thurmont; the Stories of the Chesapeake Heritage Area Grants Workshop in Easton; and MHAA Grants Workshops in Hagerstown, Baltimore City, Cambridge, and Hughesville.

Technical Assistance for Historic Preservation Easements. Careful stewardship of historic properties is not always easy, and owners of properties with MHT easements (p. 30) can benefit from one-on-one technical assistance from staff. In FY18, staff participated in 54 meetings and site visits in 15 counties and the City of Baltimore to provide guidance and advice about ongoing or proposed projects.

Preservation Plan Public Forums. As part of outreach for the statewide preservation plan (p. 26), MHT held eight open public forums in Cumberland, Salisbury, Chestertown, Havre de Grace, Frederick, Prince Frederick, Hyattsville, and Baltimore City, with a total attendance of approximately 100 people. In partnership with the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture, MHT also hosted three regional meetings on African American Heritage in Cambridge, Baltimore City, and Galesville, which drew more than 50 attendees. Participants in each region provided feedback about preservation priorities, concerns, and potential strategies in their communities. Combined with feedback received via general and target surveys, focus groups and stakeholder interviews this information will help MHT develop statewide and regional preservation strategies for the updated plan.

Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum Events Spotlight: Halloween Festival. JPPM (p. 36) offers educational programming and events to the public throughout the year. On Oct. 27, 2017, ghosts and goblins came out in force to haunt the grounds for a first-ever Halloween Festival. Over 1,800 frightening creatures inundated the Pavilion and the Exhibit Barn. These costumed monsters walked around the park where they participated in arts and crafts, games, campfire stories, face painting, fortune telling, and trick-or-treating.



Historic Preservation Easement Program

A historic preservation easement is the highest form of protection available for any historic, archeological, or cultural resource. An easement ensures that a property will continue to be both appropriately maintained and accessible to the public. MHT currently holds a statewide portfolio of 706 easements and similar legal protections on 924 properties, encompassing approximately 7,720 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 FY18, MHT acquired one new easement.

County	Name	Scope	Record Date	Source	Acres
Washington	Junior No. 3 Fire Station	Interior, Exterior, Archeology	12/13/2017	MHT Loan	0.1134

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 archeologists, 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.

Staff of the easement program encourage property owners to contact MHT to discuss preservation issues or planned projects. In FY18, the easement inspector accomplished 73 site inspections in 20 counties and the City of Baltimore 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 114 projects proposed by property owners and managers.



At Silver Spring's former **National Park Seminary** campus, the formerly vacant Power Plant, Practice Hall, and Fire Station buildings are undergoing a major rehabilitation effort, which involves the conversion of the former institutional, educational, and support infrastructures into rental housing. The project has also been awarded a Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit (p. 4). MHT's easement resulted from the transfer of the campus out of federal ownership, and rehabilitation of the unique structures has been ongoing for 15 years.

The Friends of Historic Mount Nebo Preservation Corporation replaced the roof of the **Mount Nebo African Methodist Episcopal Church**, located in Prince George's County, as part of an ongoing restoration. The project received an African American Heritage Preservation Program grant of \$84,000 in FY15.



MHT staff helped facilitate comprehensive reviews and approvals of the revitalization of the critically important historic **Hackerman House** (known as 1 West Mount Vernon Place), part of the Walters Art Museum in Baltimore City. The restoration effort highlights not only the museum's impressive collection of artwork, but also the historic home itself.



A fine example of Victorian commercial architecture, the **Junior No. 3 Fire Station** in the Hagerstown National Register Historic District is currently undergoing a façade facelift to return the building to its 1892 appearance, assisted in large part by MHT's Capital Loan Program. The non-historic marquee has been removed and plans are being developed to restore the double wooden entrance doors and their cornices. Restoration includes the slate mansard roof and dormers, and the building's new colors will replicate the historic paint scheme. Once complete, the firehouse will contain retail space and serve as an event and wedding venue.



The **Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts** has recently completed construction of a new rear south addition, designed by the firm Ziger/Snead Architects. This two-story, glass and metal clad addition houses ancillary support spaces for the adjacent existing stage, a freight elevator, and restrooms. An existing brick stair tower of the historic school building, which was enclosed by the addition, remains exposed and highlighted in the new lobby area. This project will help Maryland Hall continue to serve its audiences and the local community through improved access and offerings.



State and Federal Project Review

Historic preservation laws require state and federal government agencies to consider the effects of their projects on historic and archeological resources through a consultation process. By reviewing projects in consultation with agencies, project sponsors and the public, MHT helps ensure that federal and state projects avoid, reduce, or mitigate harm to historic and archeological properties.

Project Review

In FY18, MHT reviewed more than 6,400 public undertakings pursuant to federal and state historic preservation legislation to assess the effects of those projects on cultural resources. Staff formally evaluated 324 resources identified within project areas for their eligibility in the National Register of Historic Places. Consultation resulted in 29 formal agreement documents to resolve the adverse effects of projects on significant cultural resources and afford pertinent mitigation measures. Staff closely coordinated with program 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.

Washington County Completes Comprehensive Mitigation for the Brumbaugh-Kendle-Grove Farmstead

For nearly 20 years, MHT has been consulting with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Washington County regarding the treatment of the Brumbaugh-Kendle-Grove farmstead. With FAA grant assistance, the county acquired the uninhabited historic farmstead in 1999, in preparation for runway extension at the Hagerstown Regional Airport. The farmstead consists of a 19th century brick farmhouse, outbuildings, a brick pierced-end ventilated barn, family cemetery, and associated archeological remains. Extensive consultation among MHT, FAA, the county, and numerous local consulting parties resulted in an agreement that included preservation of the farmstead's cemetery; implementation of a multi-optioned marketing plan for adaptive reuse of the farmhouse and outbuildings onsite or their relocation for reuse elsewhere; rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of the farmstead if marketing was successful; and completion of detailed documentation of the farm complex, archeological data recovery, and salvage of building components prior to demolition of the buildings, should the marketing efforts not succeed.

Unfortunately, the county's concerted marketing yielded no successful offers for adaptive reuse of the historic structures, so it proceeded to undertake the comprehensive documentation and salvage work. These investigations have revealed important new insights regarding the farmstead's history, layout, inhabitants, archeological record and breadth of historic building materials. Recovered artifacts and associated records will be curated at MHT's MAC lab where they will be accessible for future research and interpretive purposes. Careful deconstruction of the farmhouse, barn and outbuildings resulted in the salvage of more than 5,000 bricks, 30,000 board feet of white oak, and other materials for reuse through a nonprofit salvage company.



Brick and lumber salvaged from the historic brick pierced-end barn and other outbuildings will be repurposed for new uses.

MHT Launches Online Search Tool for its Compliance Log Database

In May 2018, MHT launched an online tool for searching its Project Review and Compliance Log database, available at: mht.maryland.gov/compliance-log/. The database tracks individual submittal requests and MHT responses for the 6,000 submittals. Through the online tool, customers may now conveniently access current information on their project submittals. Agencies, applicants, consultants, and interested others may query the log to find out the status of a submittal, generate a list of projects meeting specified criteria, or view a PDF copy of MHT's response, if available. The online tool is providing efficient and transparent access to MHT's compliance review actions.



An historic building at the National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg undergoes appropriate rehabilitation work following FEMA's consultation with MHT staff and is one of the many projects recorded in MHT's Log database.

Historic Concession Stand Returns to Life at Fort Smallwood Park, Anne Arundel County

The Anne Arundel County Department of Recreation and Parks recently completed construction of a new boat access facility at historic Fort Smallwood Park, using federal grant funds from the Sport Fish Restoration Program administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and granted to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. Through consultation among MHT and these federal, state, and local government partners, the county completed the stabilization, mothballing, planning and design for reuse, and ultimate rehabilitation of the park's historic concession stand as a successful mitigation package for the project's adverse effects on the park. The c. 1932 concession stand had been vacant and neglected for years and was badly damaged by Hurricane Isabel in 2003. Following a sensitive rehabilitation of the structure, the county reopened the refurbished and ADA accessible facility in July 2018. Park users may once again purchase food, drinks, ice, and bait from this charming, canopied building.



Fort Smallwood Concession Stand pre-renovation



Fort Smallwood Concession Stand after renovation

Military Monuments and Roadside Historical Markers

Military Monument Conservation

The Governor's Commission on Maryland Military Monuments was created in 1989 to inventory the approximately 432 military memorials honoring Maryland's veterans, to secure funds for the preservation of those in need and to develop educational and tourism materials relating to their history. In FY17, the Maryland Department of Planning began to administer the commission, which consists of up to seventeen volunteer members, including one representative of the Maryland Historical Trust, who bring military, historical, business, and government expertise to the important work of safeguarding our state's military monuments. In FY18, MHT staff coordinated maintenance for 14 monuments on the Western Shore and the World War I Memorial at the entrance of the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore.



Conservators Howard Wellman, Ronald Harvey and Constance Stromberg wash and renew the wax coating on the Baron de Kalb monument on the State House grounds.



Conservator Andrzej Dajnowski uses laser technology to clean the World War I memorial by Baltimore sculptor Hans Schuler at the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore.



The World War I memorial at the Fifth Regiment Armory, post treatment.

Historical Markers Program

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 marker program, which is administered by MHT in cooperation with the State Highway Administration, 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's website (mht.maryland.gov).

In FY18, markers were installed to commemorate:

- **Virginia Hall**, installed on southbound York Road (MD 45) , north of the post office in grassy area next to the southbound lane in Parkton, Baltimore County;
- **Henry Highland Garnet**, installed on MD 291, west of MD 290, south of Chesterville, Kent County;
- **Mason and Dixon Line 40th Mile Stone**, installed on MD 23 in Norrisville, Harford County;
- **The Retreat**, installed on MD 6 at Poor House Road in Port Tobacco, Charles County (replacement of stolen marker);
- **Suffrage Motorcade**, installed on US 1 at 41st Place in Hyattsville, Prince George's County;
- **Somerset County**, installed at 11916 Somerset Avenue in Princess Anne; and
- **Catonsville Nine**, installed on MD 144 (Frederick Road) in front of the Baltimore County Public Library branch in Catonsville.



The Honorable Candace B. Hollingsworth, Mayor of Hyattsville, and Major General Linda L. Singh, Chair of the Commission on the Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Passage of the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution, unveil the new marker commemorating the Suffrage Motorcade.



Pictured left to right are Virginia Hall's great-niece, Linda Catling, Hall's niece, Lorna Catling, and Lisa Kraus, archeologist with the Maryland State Highway Administration who proposed the marker to commemorate the Baltimore native and World War II undercover agent who played a significant role in the Allied victory in France.

Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum

Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum (JPPM) connects people to the past through history and archeology and supports the preservation of Maryland's cultural and natural resources. Located on 560 acres on the Patuxent River in Calvert County, JPPM encompasses more than 65 documented archeological sites spanning 9,500 years. With events, tours, lectures, school visits, and workshops, JPPM hosts more than 125 programs annually. JPPM is also the home of the MAC lab, a state-of-the-art facility dedicated to archeological conservation and research.

Events

In FY18, more than 88,000 people visited the park. In the fall of 2017, JPPM invited the public to an open house at the Patterson House, prior to closing for renovations until 2021. Following the second annual 5K Run/Walk in October 2017, JPPM celebrated American Indian Heritage Day in November with hands-on activities and programming in the park's recreated Indian Village. In early June 2018, the 33rd Annual Children's Day on the Farm was followed by the Patuxent River Wade-In, led by former State Senator Bernie Fowler.



A child participating in the annual Children's Day on the Farm event. More than 1,800 people came out for this event in FY18.

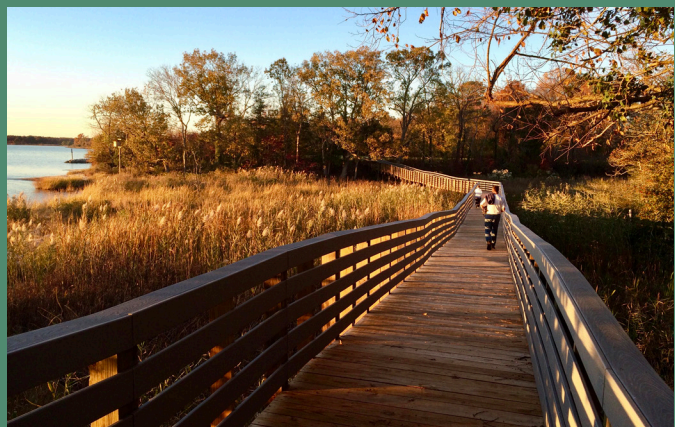
Educational Programs

JPPM's commitment to serving area schools continued through two onsite programs, one designed for fourth graders and the second aimed at students in the sixth grade. As in years past, staff members worked with students from Huntingtown High School (HHS) on an archeology-based project. This year, the HHS Archaeology Club presented their research findings during JPPM's annual Speaker Series. In total, more than 3,500 children participated in educational programs in FY18.

Rites Trail

The Riverside Interpretive Trail and Exhibit Structures project at JPPM is an effort to: expand, connect, and upgrade its existing trail system; provide greater ADA accessibility throughout the grounds; and to improve the outdoor experience for visitors by constructing interpretive signage, outdoor exhibits, and a nature playspace. In 2016, the trails and boardwalk portion were completed. Currently, staff are working with the design team to finalize the interpretive elements and exhibit structures.

In mid-2018 Shoreline Design, LLC was awarded the contract and began construction on a shoreline erosion control project at the park. This project includes construction of erosion control measures (revetments and planted grasses), a replacement pier, and the installation of boardwalks to provide ease of access from St. Leonard Creek. Currently, the revetments are being installed and the pier pilings began late fall 2018.



The Boardwalk feature is a highlight of the RITES Trail.
Credit: K. Hoerauf

Gift Shop Renovation

After months of planning, designing, and ordering new inventory, JPPM reopened the gift shop, renamed “Past and Presents.” The newly redesigned space, conceived, built and managed by staff, offers an improved layout to showcase the variety of items available for purchase, highlighting items created by artisans including jewelry, scarves, handbags, home décor, pottery, local honey, jams, original artwork, and prints.



Patterson Center and Gardener's Cottage

Throughout the year, JPPM staff have worked with architects and engineers on finalizing the design for the Patterson Center Renovation. Upgrades to current codes include implementing a geothermal HVAC system, installing a new fire suppression system, new electrical wiring, and ADA accessibility. When renovations are complete, the center will include a historic house museum, office space, and space for fundraising events and other public uses.



In addition to the Patterson Center renovations, the Gardener's Cottage adjacent to the main house is also receiving attention. With the assistance of the MHT Loan Fund, staff have been able to contract rough-in plumbing, electric, and HVAC for the building. The second round of funding secured during the year ensured the completion of the interior finishes as well as the installation of a septic unit. The Gardener's Cottage was originally used as pheasant pens and dog kennels, but was renovated by the Pattersons as a small home for their seasonal staff. The current design will divide the space into two rentable apartments.



CHARTING THE PAST: 30 YEARS OF EXPLORING MARYLAND'S SUBMERGED HISTORY



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Public Archeology Programs

Each year, through its terrestrial and maritime archeology programs as well as the MAC lab and JPPM, MHT provides opportunities for archeology enthusiasts and the general public to learn more about archeology.

Celebrating 30 Years of Maryland Maritime Archeology

Created in 1988, the Maryland Maritime Archeology Program (MMAP) searches for, inventories, and manages the State's submerged historic properties. These include significant historic shipwreck remains and a diverse range of inundated prehistoric and historic archeological sites and structures, from prehistoric camps and villages, to historic domestic and industrial sites. Over time, ground subsidence and sea-level rise have submerged many of these sites and structures.

In FY18, MMAP's 30th anniversary kicked off in January with a lecture by Dr. Emad Khalil from the University of Alexandria, co-organized through the Embassy of Egypt with World Artists Experiences and hosted at MHT. The celebration continued when Governor Larry Hogan declared April 2018 Maryland Archeology Month, focused on the theme *Charting the Past: 30 Years of Exploring Maryland's Submerged History*. Twenty-eight public events were held across eleven of Maryland's counties, and nearly 1,000 Marylanders received copies of a poster and booklet created especially for the event. The booklet was packed with information including contact information for volunteer programs and events. MHT's assistant state underwater archaeologist also provided the Spencer O. Geasey Lecture, the premier free public lecture in Maryland archeology as well as offering trainings during the annual Field Session.



Field Session

The annual Tyler Bastian Field Session in Maryland Archeology, led and coordinated by MHT, combines public outreach, education, and research through the investigation of a significant archeological site. In partnership with the Calvert County Department of Community Planning and Building and the Archeological Society of Maryland, the 2018 Field Session focused on the site of Calverton on the shore of the Battle Creek, a tributary of the Patuxent River. The second town established by the Colony of Maryland, Calverton was the seat of government in Calvert County from 1668 through 1724, when it was largely abandoned. What remained of the town was burned by the British during the War of 1812. Today the site is an open agricultural field threatened by severe coastal erosion.

Over 11 days, more than 75 volunteers and six staff archeologists contributed more than 1,500 hours to this second year of investigations of Calverton. Investigations conducted during 2017 confirmed that a great deal of Calverton remains unaffected by erosion, and 2018 efforts were focused on the discovered locations of two prior structures. Recovered artifacts were consistent with the late 17th through early 18th century dates of Calverton's occupation. Many oyster shells evidenced the use of the site by Native Americans centuries before the founding of the colonial town. Other artifacts recovered included brick fragments, shards of wine bottle glass, broken fragments of white clay pipe stems and bowls, sherds of imported refined ceramics, and many nails. Perhaps the most interesting find was a hand-hammered James I shilling. This coin, minted between 1603 and 1625, was found in a hole dug for a door post, and may have represented a charm to ward off evil spirits.

Workshop in Archeology

Held in Crownsville on a Saturday in March each year, MHT's Annual Workshop in Archeology showcases recent professional archeological work and opportunities for hands-on archeological experiences. The 27th Workshop, held March 10, 2018, included nine hour-long presentations, beginning with keynote speaker George Schwartz of the Institute of Maritime Archaeology, speaking about efforts to locate World War II aircraft lost in the Chesapeake Bay. Other presentations spread across three venues included: a history of the Maryland Maritime Archeology Program; an examination of contact period artifacts found on a Late Woodland village site in Frederick County; the archeological investigation of Secomocomoco, a village mapped by Captain John Smith in 1608; a pitch for the value of x-radiography of rust-encrusted metal artifacts; a preview of the 2018 Field Session; an update on the Lost Towns Project in Anne Arundel County; and two workshop presentations from the Certified Archeological Technician program (one on preservation law and one on archeological ethics). Approximately 130 people attended the 2018 workshop.

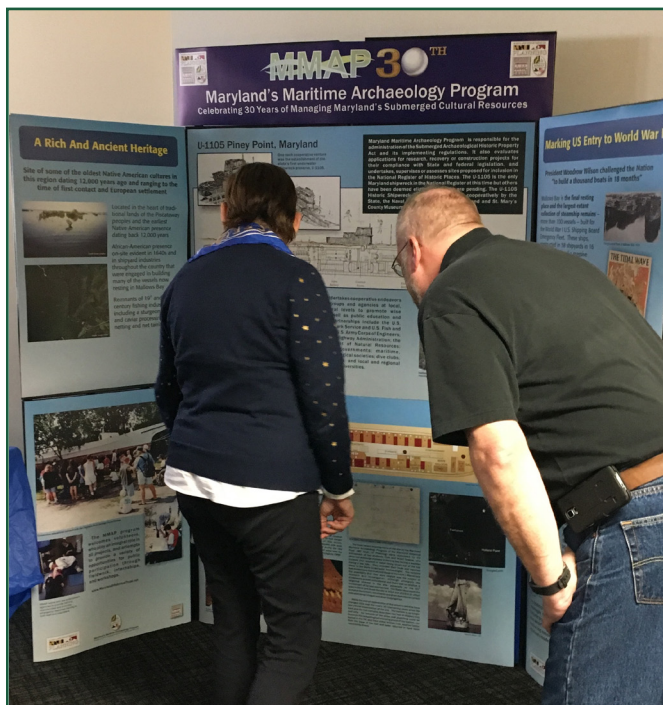


Maritime Archeology Education and Outreach

In FY18, the Maryland Maritime Archaeology Program (MMAP) provided more than 15 presentations and lectures on various historical and archeological topics throughout Maryland and also, by invitation, in Virginia and Canada. Topics included heritage preservation law, ship architecture, first aid and diving safety, maritime archeology, and a course in geophysical methods for underwater archeology. Staff attended and provided content for the public program offered annually by the Maritime Archaeological and Historical Society, as well as the Society for Historical Archaeology Conference. In September 2017, staff participated in a three-day full-scale exercise in the U.S. Coast Guard's National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program, addressing the protection and preservation of submerged archeological historic properties and those impacted in the response activities for the scenario.

Public Archeology at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum

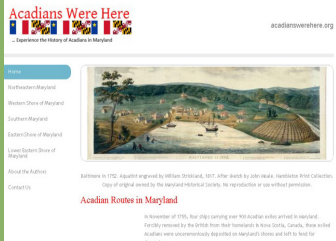
During JPPM's Public Archeology Program, 125 participants contributed more than 900 hours of their time digging at the Smith's St. Leonard site or processing artifacts in the lab. Many participants came back on multiple days and stayed the whole day each time, indicating that they enjoyed their experience. In the spring of 2018, the MAC lab held a two-day workshop focused on artifact identification and conservation strategies, which was open to any practicing professionals and graduate student in the field of archeology.



Maryland Preservation Awards

On Feb. 1, 2018, at the 43rd Maryland Preservation Awards, MHT's board of trustees recognized 10 outstanding efforts in historic preservation, including education, restoration and revitalization projects, as well as organizational and individual leadership.

The following people and projects were recognized with 2018 awards.



Acadians Were Here Organization for “Acadians Were Here” Website (statewide)

The “Acadians Were Here” website follows the history of Acadian exiles in Maryland. The website provides information and easy navigation for visitors to trace sites of Acadian settlement, and learn about this overlooked piece of Maryland history. (*Excellence in Media and Publications*)



Preservation Maryland for PreserveCast (statewide)

Each week, Preservation Maryland hosts PreserveCast, a podcast featuring topics that intersect technology and preservation efforts throughout Maryland and nationwide. In 2018, the podcast continues to attract a national audience, with 70 percent of PreserveCast listeners tuning in from outside the state. (*Excellence in Media and Publications*)



Historic Sotterley, Inc. for Slave Cabin Exhibit (St. Mary's County)

The Slave Cabin Exhibit at Historic Sotterley Plantation exposes visitors to the harsh realities of slavery in pre-Civil War southern Maryland. Preserved from the 1830s, the cabin provides an unmatched glimpse into the domestic lives of enslaved families. (*Excellence in Public Programming*)



Eastern Shore Network for Change for “Reflections on Pine” (Dorchester County)

In the summer of 2017, the Eastern Shore Network for Change hosted a series of events titled “Reflections on Pine,” in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Cambridge civil rights movement and the events that ensued during the Long Hot Summer of 1967. (*Excellence in Community Engagement*)



Lisa Kraus and Jason Shellenhamer (Baltimore City)

Since 2014, archeologists Lisa Kraus and Jason Shellenhamer have trained community volunteers in archeological fieldwork as they investigate the history of Herring Run Park, specifically, the site of Eutaw Manor. Over the years, the project has attracted hundreds of volunteers as the community works together to uncover their local history. (*Outstanding Individual Leadership*)



Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission for Oxon Hill Manor (Prince George's County)

Overlooking the Potomac River and National Harbor, historic Oxon Hill Manor stands out in the modern landscape. Under the stewardship of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, the neo-Georgian brick mansion retains its original 1929 structure and hosts nearly 300 private and public events throughout the year.

(Outstanding Stewardship of an Easement Property)



Morgan State University for Lillie Carroll Jackson Museum (Baltimore City)

In 2016, Morgan State University's Office of Museums, in partnership with the Mitchell/Jackson family, reopened the Lillie Carroll Jackson Museum. The museum honors the legacy of Baltimore civil rights activist, Dr. Lillie May Carroll Jackson, along with other freedom fighters of the modern civil rights movement.

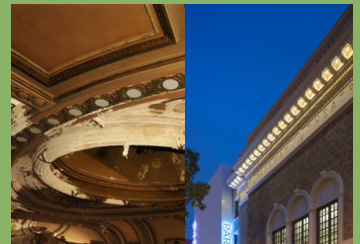
(Project Excellence: Institutional Rehabilitation)



Parkway Theater/Maryland Film Festival (Baltimore City)

With more than a century of history, the restored Parkway Theater, home of the Maryland Film Festival, continues to bring local and international films to viewers in the Baltimore area. Filmgoers today can experience the vintage beauty of the theater while still enjoying all the features of a modern cinema.

(Project Excellence: Commercial Rehabilitation)



Cultural Center at the Havre de Grace Opera House (Harford County)

Built in 1870, the restored Cultural Center at the Havre de Grace Opera House is an anchor of the town's historic Arts and Entertainment District. While the building has weathered various roles over the centuries, the top floor has always remained a theater. Today, visitors can enjoy an array of performances from live concerts and dance to puppetry and film. *(Project Excellence: Community Impact)*



Center for Parks and People at Auchentoroly Terrace (Baltimore City)

The new campus center and headquarters of the Parks and People Foundation at Auchentoroly Terrace is a stunning example of innovative, sustainable design. With LEED Platinum certification, the Center for Parks and People features the latest in stormwater management, geothermal energy and green design. *(Project Excellence: Sustainable Design)*







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