



# Quarterly news & updates

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## Return to Work



schedule an appointment.

SHPO and Museum staff are excited to report that, after a two-year hiatus, we are headed back to the office.

Currently, SHPO staff are in the office one day a week, but we expect to add more coverage in the coming months.

As before, the museums are closed for the season and will reopen later this Spring. Check out the museums on their social media pages for the latest updates.

If you'd like to visit the office for research or for a meeting, please call ahead and

## Connecticut Celebrates Landscape Heritage

People and organizations around the state are plugging into Olmsted 200, a national celebration promoting designed landscapes, parks, and the benefits of access to nature. This initiative marks the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Frederick Law Olmsted, a nineteenth-century visionary and founder of American landscape architecture, but expands to topics well beyond the life of one historical figure. A goal of Olmsted 200 is to encourage public and policy commitment to the natural environment and cultural heritage.

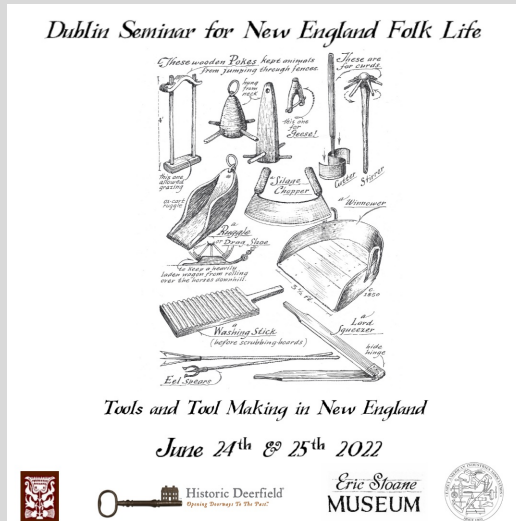


Connecticut has a unique association with the Olmsted legacy, as the place of Olmsted's birth, early inspiration, education, and numerous Olmsted firm commissions. We are a state rich with places worth exploring because of the scenic beauty, open space, history, and culture present throughout our communities. SHPO is committed to preserving these places and to create a more robust historic landscape documentation program.

SHPO and Preservation Connecticut are currently working on a joint project to

develop a historical context and survey of Olmsted firm landscapes throughout the state. The results of our work will be available this summer, along with a new landscape survey form. SHPO and Preservation Connecticut will continue to engage in Olmsted 200 this year, by participating in presentations and events, including a celebration at Fulton Park in Waterbury in early October. Visit [olmsted200.org/join-the-celebration](http://olmsted200.org/join-the-celebration) to find out about the wide variety of Olmsted activities happening in Connecticut throughout the year!

## News from the Eric Sloane Museum



### Museum Reopening May 2022

The Eric Sloane Museum will reopen for the 2022 season, May-October 31st, with new exhibits and exciting events. Be sure to keep up with all the latest information by following our [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or signing up for our [newsletter](#).

### Dublin Seminar For New England Folklife

The Eric Sloane Museum is thrilled to co-sponsor the 2022 Dublin Seminar for New England Folklife with our colleagues, the Early American Industry Association, and Historic Deerfield. The Dublin Seminar for New England Folklife is a continuing series of conferences, exhibitions, and publications whose purpose is to explore everyday life, work, and culture in New England's past. Founded on the premise that traditional lore and material culture are rapidly disappearing in New England, the series focuses on emerging folk studies. "Tools and Toolmaking in New England" will be a hybrid conference held in Deerfield, Massachusetts, and virtually for those unable to attend in person. Either way, it is certainly something you do not want to miss! Mark your calendars for June 24th & 25th 2022!

### [More Information](#)

## In Memoriam - Dr. R. Christopher Goodwin

It is with sadness that we share news of the passing of our dear friend, Dr. Christopher Goodwin.

For over 40 years, Dr. Goodwin served as the President and CEO of R. Christopher Goodwin & Associates, a cultural resources firm based in the Washington D.C. area.

The state of Connecticut is indebted to Dr. Goodwin and his team for their commitment to documenting the state's historic resources in



the aftermath of Super Storm Sandy. Under Dr. Goodwin's leadership, Goodwin & Associates worked for over 4 years to prepare numerous [National Register nominations](#), [surveys](#), and most notably, shedding light on the state's [underwater shipwrecks](#) and other [archaeological sites](#) impacted by climate change.

Our thoughts go out to his family and colleagues.

Photo from The Frederick News-Post

## New to the National Register of Historic Places



Harry O. Erikson Pavilion Hall,  
17 East Shore Rd., Washington

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Hartford Special Machinery Company  
Complex, 287 and 296 Homestead  
Ave., Hartford

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## Henry Whitfield State Museum



A new exhibit about Guilford architecture is now on display at the Henry Whitfield State Museum. On loan from the Guilford Keeping Society, "Weld-Built: The Guilford Architecture of William E. Weld" chronicles the life's work of a person who played a large role in how Guilford looks today. Weld's architectural drawings, ledgers, and day books now in the collection of the Guilford Keeping Society inspired the exhibit. Their research reveals that

Photo: The Whitfield House in the 1880s showing Weld's addition at right. *From the Henry Whitfield State Museum collection.*

Weld's career spanned 35 years, from 1837 to 1872.

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## Preservation Fellowship Opportunity from the NTHP



### Apply for a two-week preservation fellowship

Apply today for the Pocantico Fellowship, a two-week residential fellowship in historic preservation that provides the opportunity to reside and work in the historic Marcel Breuer House located in Tarrytown, NY from June 21-July 3.

Applications due April 19.

<https://forum.savingplaces.org/pocantico>

## Recent Grant Awards

### Congratulations to these recent grantees:

#### **Stewardship Relief Grants**

- Cromwell Historical Society
- Harriet Beecher Stowe Center, Hartford
- Torrington Historic Preservation Trust

#### **Connecticut Explored, Inc.**

Partners In Preservation Grants for historic preservation education and outreach, and *CT Explored Sites Lines* publication

#### **Amity and Woodbridge Historical Society, Woodbridge**

Survey and Planning Grant for consulting services of a CFR-qualified architectural historian to prepare an updated National Register nomination form for the Thomas Darling property (c. 1765), 1907 Litchfield Turnpike, Woodbridge.

#### **Neighborhood Housing Services of Waterbury, Inc.**

Survey and Planning Grant for consulting services of a CFR-qualified architectural historian to prepare a National Register nomination form for the former Waterbury Manufacturing Chase Brass Mill (c. 1890-1910), 526 and 720 North Main St and 40 East Farm St, Waterbury

#### **Cheshire Land Trust**

Survey and Planning Grant for consulting services of a CFR-qualified architect prepare a condition assessment and plans and specifications for priority needs for the Bradley-Ives Farm (1790) 1585 Cheshire Rd., Cheshire.

#### **Town of Westport**

Certified Local Government Grant for consulting services of a CFR-qualified historic preservation professional to prepare a town-wide preservation plan.

#### **Town of Hebron**

Certified Local Government Grant for consulting services of a CFR-qualified team

including an historian, architectural historian and archaeologist to conduct research and identify historic resources associated with under-represented communities in Hebron, CT

### **Town of Salisbury**

Certified Local Government Grant for consulting services of a CFR-qualified architect and engineering team to assess structural and drainage conditions of the Central New England Railroad building (1871), 7 Ethan Allen Street, Salisbury (Lakeville).

Most of these projects are funded in part or in total by funds from the Community Investment Account of the State of Connecticut

## **NTHP Forum Webinar - April 12th**

### **Free Webinar: Calculating Carbon Savings from Building Reuse and Retrofit**

Learn about an innovative new “carbon calculator” that will allow preservationists, developers, policy makers, and other users to compare the carbon impacts of specific reuse, retrofit, and replacement scenarios. [Register today!](#)



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