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SHPO Statewide Preservation Conference

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Sheraton Hartford South, 100 Capital Blvd, Rocky Hill

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REGISTER FOR THE CONFERENCE TODAY!!!

SHPO Fellowship Opportunities

The State Historic Preservation Office is pleased announce it will be awarding Professional Development Fellowships! The fellowships are intended to be used for a professional activity that will advance the successful recipient's career. The activity should be a learning opportunity that is not currently available or reimbursable from the recipient's employer and should provide the recipient with experiences or skills that will enhance their historic preservation work in Connecticut. Attendance at conferences or workshops, tuition, field schools, consulting/coaching fees for training activities, and software training are examples of eligible activities. Additional details and application instructions are on our website.

Deadline for applications is April 27, 2018!

Click Here To Apply

The SHPO goes to Washington

Last month, the Office of Culture was advocating in D.C. on behalf of Arts and Historic Preservation. Kristina

Newman-Scott led visits to the congressional offices; she was accompanied by Bonnie Koba from the Office of the Arts and Catherine Labadia from our office. Charlie Janson, from the CT Trust, also provided a voice to preservation issues. They were able to meet with staff from Senator Murphy's office, as well as all five Representatives. We especially appreciated the time Rep.



Courtney took out of his busy schedule to sit down and listen to us. The preservation topics discussed with all congressional offices consisted of budget deliberations related to the Historic Preservation Fund, eroding of regulations or lack of staff to accommodate any infrastructure bills, and restoring the federal tax credit program so that it is not realized over a five year period.

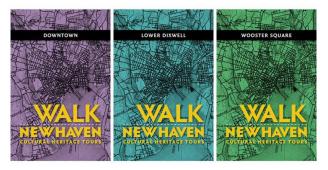
Photo: Catherine Labadia (center) and Charlie Janson (left) speaking with a representative from Rep. Hime's Office

Update - Seaside State Park

The State of Connecticut through the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection is seeking a development partner to rehabilitate and re-use the buildings located in Seaside State Park. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the property is nationally significant as the first center in the country designed for the heliotropic treatment of tuberculosis in children. Cass Gilbert, a nationally renowned architect, designed the buildings.

DEEP is currently seeking proposals for their redevelopment. For more information and to review the Request for Proposals, <u>click here</u>.

Check This Out!



The SHPO is in love with this project! So we encourage you to check out <u>Walk New Haven from the Ethnic Heritage Center</u>.

Walk New Haven provides selfguided walking/biking/driving tour that tell the pre-1970 stories of the experiences, contributions and

hardships faced in New Haven by five of the cultural and ethnic groups that have enriched our community. A major goal of the EHC is to stimulate an interest among the many additional cultural groups in New Haven to form historical societies to preserve and share their histories.

A Big Win for Historic Preservation

The strength of the Connecticut
Environmental Protection Act was
demonstrated in New London. Under the
leadership of the Attorney General's
Office and the State Historic Preservation
Office and with the support of the
Connecticut Trust for Historic
Preservation and New London
Landmarks, a hard fought case



concluded with Judge Joseph Koletsky issuing a temporary injunction against the demolition of 116 and 130 Bank Street. These buildings were listed to the National Register of Historic Places in 1979 as contributing elements to the Downtown New London Historic District, which is nationally significant for its architecture and as an example of maritime development. Bank Street follows the curve of the river and the blocks containing 116 and 130 Bank Street serve as the core of the District. They are an integral part of a visual aesthetic consisting of an unbroken row of buildings of approximately the same vintage, height and style. The nomination form described it as, "striking and unique." The loss of these buildings would have diminished the character and integrity of this district at a time when major developments are happening to celebrate New London's history. This was an important win for Historic Preservation in Connecticut and could not have been done without the hard work of so many individuals and organizations. Thank you.

News from the Museums









Eric Sloane Museum

The Eric Sloane Museum recently received a wonderful donation to the collections that illustrates another dimension of Eric Sloane's work. Three individual pieces were donated, including two pastels of early commercial single engine aircrafts, and a map of the Nassau Airport handdrawn by Eric Sloane. The map includes many nearby landmarks and attractions



including a beet farm, and what must be Mr. Flannery's farm neatly referred to

as "Big Butter and Egg Man Flannery". Additional drawings and notations by the artist dot the map and add interest.

Over the years Eric Sloane created numerous hand-drawn maps (including maps for the towns of Kent and Warren) each expressing his unique artistic vision and a whimsical artistic license.

We are delighted to add these items to our permanent collection. Please call (860) 927-3849 for additional information. Follow us on Facebook

Old New-Gate Prison & Copper Mine

Mark your calendars! Old New-Gate will officially open on Saturday, July 14th, 2018. More details about opening day will come soon!



Upcoming Events

Come One, Come All

On Wednesday, June 6, at 5:30pm the Norwich Historical Society, Norwich Historic District Commission, and the State Historic Preservation Office will host a workshop about the **Historic Homes Rehabilitation Tax Credit program** in the Community Room at the Otis Library. The tax credit program provides for a 30% return on expenses associated with rehabilitating owner-occupied one-to four-family homes listed on the State or National Register of Historic Places. This hour and a half workshop will detail the program's benefits, qualifying work, and application process.

Rhode Island Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission, Rhode Island Latino Arts, and Latinos in Heritage Conservation are proud to present **Encuentro 2018**, a conference on Latino heritage and historic preservation. This groundbreaking event brings together the third national convening of Latinos in Heritage Conservation and the



33rd Annual Rhode Island Statewide Historic Preservation Conference on Thursday, April 26 – Saturday, April 28, 2018.

Every year the CT Office of Tourism supports CT Open House Day. Scheduled on the second Saturday of June, cultural organizations and tourism attractions throughout the state open their doors to Connecticut residents, inviting them to



discover – and rediscover – Connecticut's fascinating world of art, history, film and tourism with a variety of special visitor incentives.

For more information on this year's open house including how you can get involved <u>click here</u>.