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Preservation Greensboro Awarded Humanities Relief Grant



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Preservation Greensboro is one of only two Greensboro recipients of a NC CARES: Humanities Relief Grant from the North Carolina Humanities Council, www.nchumanities.org. Funding for NC CARES has been provided by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act economic stabilization plan.

"The NC CARES: Humanities Relief Grant allows Preservation Greensboro to continue its important work in bringing people and communities together to discuss issues related to history, social equity, and pride of place," says Benjamin Briggs, executive director of Preservation Greensboro. "By celebrating a diversity of landmarks and historic neighborhoods, Preservation Greensboro can compose a community narrative that illustrates our city's dynamic role in the social and architectural history of North Carolina."

Pardon the Inconvenience

With a recent reduction of full-time staff hours, we might not be available when you visit, call, or email. We appreciate your patience as we balance our priorities with critical office functions.

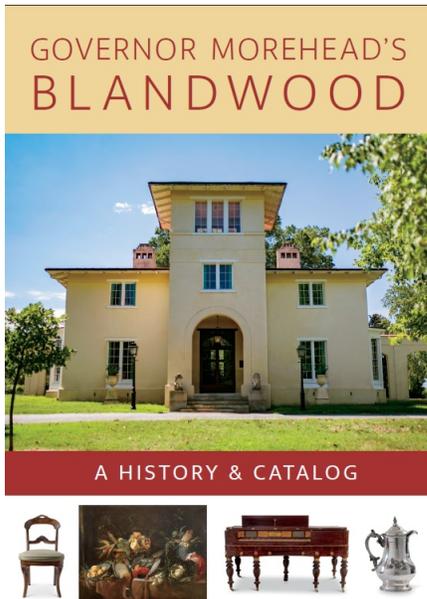


Four Landmarks Under Consideration

Four historic landmark designations have been submitted for designation by the Guilford County Historic Preservation Commission to the Greensboro City Council. Each property represents major themes of Greensboro history including education, industry, and architecture.

Properties that are recognized often represent high integrity of materials and design, narratives of social history of Guilford County, or unique feelings or associations of place. To date, 105 properties have been recognized across Guilford County since the program was initiated in 1980 as part of the nation's bicentennial celebrations.

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A New Book on Blandwood

This illustrated history of Blandwood portrays the remarkable architecture, history, and decorative arts of one of America's greatest houses. *Governor Morehead's Blandwood: A History & Catalog* includes 64 pages of text and color images that demonstrate the fascinating history of this 220-year-old house. The book, edited by Judith Cushman Hammer, includes a preface by Robert Leath and essays by Catherine Bishir, Benjamin Briggs, and Judith Cushman Hammer. The book is available for purchase by clicking the link below.

[Buy This Book](#)

Architectural Salvage is Open

Architectural Salvage has reopened for customers. Our showroom, located at 1028-B Huffman Street in East Greensboro, is open Fridays 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. We request all customers wear masks, stay six feet apart, not come in if they are sick, and bring their own



help if they are acquiring something heavy. Five tons of (new) vintage material have been added to our inventory this past week. Come take a look at newest materials!



Bowers Internship Uncovers History

As a Summer 2020 Bowers Study Fund intern, Brooke BiaLowas revealed a fascinating chronology related to the restoration of Blandwood in the 1960s, 1970s, and 1980s. By documenting meeting minutes, newspaper articles, and receipts, the UNCG Interior Architecture major uncovered important touchstones to the restoration of the museum.

“My main take-away,” said BiaLowas on her last day of work, “is that so much work has gone into preserving and restoring Blandwood. Today, it looks like it looks like it has always been in great condition, but so many people have worked to care for the museum in the past, it's so fascinating!”

The scholarship is a memorial to Preservation Greensboro's past president Anne Bowers. Congratulations to Brooke BiaLowas and best wishes for her bright future!

Preservation Events & Activities

Rethinking Our 2020 Tour of Historic Homes

Tour hopes to highlight South Elm Street and Southside neighborhoods

In recognition that COVID-19 is changing the traditional model for our annual Tour of Historic Homes and Gardens, Tour Committee members and staff are busy investigating new ways to raise awareness of Greensboro treasured places - in a socially distant world. Scheduled for later this year, the tour is challenged with innovative ways to raise awareness and excitement for the South Elm Street and Southside neighborhoods. The tour is planned to explore vintage live-work living spaces in downtown, as well as historic mixed-use

projects.

Our tour is the largest fundraising event for our organization, and we rely on community supporters like you to help make our annual tour successful. We offer business sponsorships as well as personal sponsorships. Take a look at the packet link below. If you have questions, feel free to call the office or click the question link below to send a message.

In the meantime, watch future Landmarks or our socials for exciting news related to our Annual Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens: *The Next Level!*

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Planned Giving for Preservation

Most people assume that an organization with a 50 year legacy and an attachment to the Morehead name must be well-financed by a deep endowment or government support, but this is not true. Help make Preservation Greensboro and Blandwood Museum a stable organization by considering a legacy gift. Your commitment to support preservation work will remain right here in Greensboro. A gift from your estate may include a specific dollar amount or a percentage of value. Invest in our future through historic preservation!

We Need Your Membership, Especially Now!

Please consider making a contribution to Preservation Greensboro. As a non-profit, we depend on support from citizens like you to accomplish our mission of saving our community's historic and architectural treasures. With loss of city support, we could really use a special gift to help us maintain staff and operations. We certainly appreciate your help!

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