# Roots of the Piedmont: History & Preservation in Central NC



1<sup>st</sup> Annual Symposium | May 30-31, 2014 Chapel Hill, NC | Carolina Inn Hillsborough, NC | Historic Orange County Courthouse

### WELCOME TO ORANGE COUNTY

Welcome to Orange County, the Edge of the Triangle!

Home to Chapel Hill, Carrboro, and Hillsborough, Orange County is one of the most historic places in the nation. From America's first public university, to the earliest meetings of the Continental Congress, you'll find that historic architecture and landscapes abound here.

We hope you spend your time in Orange County exploring the exciting cultural, entertainment, shopping, and sporting opportunities we have to offer!

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The symposium registration fee covers admission to sessions, workshops, breaks, exhibition rooms, and receptions. Advance registration is available online at www.preservationchapelhill.org. On-site registration is available at the registration table. Cash, check, or credit cards are accepted for on-site registration.

**Friday CLG Training Workshop Only: \$20** 

**Saturday Symposium Only:** \$20

**Full Registration: \$30** 

#### **Friday Registration**

Location: Carolina Inn

Time: 8:45 am - 1:00 pm or 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

#### Saturday Registration

Location: Historic Orange County Courthouse

Time: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

## HOTEL INFORMATION Y

#### **Carolina Inn**

211 Pittsboro Street, Chapel Hill 1-800-962-8519 \$149/night single or \$169/night double

#### **Sheraton Chapel Hill**

1 Europa Drive, Chapel Hill 919-969-2174 or 1-800-325-3535 \$99/night

## GETTING TO THE CONFERENCE

#### **Driving Directions to the Carolina Inn**

The Carolina Inn is located at 211 Pittsboro Street, Chapel Hill.

From Eastbound I-40: Take Exit 266 and turn right onto Highway 86 South. After 4 miles, turn right onto Cameron Avenue. Take the next left onto Pittsboro Street (one-way). The Carolina Inn parking lot is on the left.

From Westbound I-40: Take Exit 273A and merge onto Highway 54 West. After about 4.5 miles, Highway 54 becomes Raleigh Road. After about 3 more miles, Raleigh Road becomes South Road. Continue another 1 mile, then turn right onto Columbia Street (one-way). Take the next left onto Cameron Avenue, then the next left onto Pittsboro Street (one-way). The Carolina Inn parking lot is on the left.

From Northbound 15-501 or Eastbound Highway 54: Take Highway 86 North/Columbia Street. After about 1 mile, turn left onto Cameron Avenue. Take the next left onto Pittsboro Street (one-way). The Carolina Inn parking lot is on the left.

#### Parking at the Carolina Inn

Valet parking is available for \$7 per car or self-parking for \$3 per car.

#### **Driving Directions to the Historic Orange County Courthouse**

The Historic Orange County Courthouse is located at Churton Street and King Street in downtown Hillsborough.

From Westbound I-40: Take Exit 261 and turn right onto Old NC 86 North. After about 2.5 miles, the courthouse is on the right. (Parking deck is before the courthouse on the left.)

From I-40 Eastbound or I-85 Eastbound or Westbound: Take I-85 Exit 164 and turn onto Old NC 86 North. After about 1.5 miles, the courthouse is on the right. (Parking deck is before the courthouse on the left.)

From Highway 70 Eastbound or Westbound or Old NC 86 South: Take Old NC 86 South/ Highway 70 Business South. After about 1 mile, the courthouse is on the left. (Parking deck is past the courthouse on the right.)

#### Parking in downtown Hillsborough

Parking is available in the parking deck on Nash & Kollock Street (behind Weaver Street Market). Parking in the deck is free.

## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

#### FRIDAY, MAY 30

8:45 - 1:00 9:00 - 9:05	Registration at the Carolina Inn Opening Remarks
9:05 - 1:00	CLG Training Workshop
1:00 - 3:00	Lunch on your own
3:00 - 4:30	Tours of Chapel Hill
4:30 - 6:30	Dinner on your own
6:30 - 8:00	Registration at the Carolina Inn
6:45 - 8:00	Keynote Address by Dr. Daniel Bluestone
	"Integrity, Harmoniousness, and Compatibility: Conundrums of Context"
8:00 - 9:30	Opening Reception and Book Signing at Horace Williams House
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#### **SATURDAY, MAY 31**

8:00 - 3:00	Registration at the Historic Orange County Courthouse
8:00 - 9:00	Coffee with Colleagues
9:00 - 11:30	Symposium Presentations
11:30 - 1:00	Lunch on your own
1:00 - 3:30	Symposium Presentations
3:30 - 5:00	Tours of Hillsborough
5:00 - 7:00	Closing Reception at Moorefields Plantation Historic Site

## EXHIBITORS

The exhibitors will be available the on Friday at the Carolina Inn 8:45 am - 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, and on Saturday at the Historic Orange County Courthouse 8:00 am - 3:00 pm.

Edgecombe Community College Historic Preservation Technology Program
North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office
Stagville State Historic Site
University of North Carolina Press
UNC-Greensboro Department of Interior Architecture

### TOURS AND TRIPS

#### FRIDAY, MAY 30<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 - 4:30

#### **Ackland Art Museum**

View the museum's collection of over 17,000 works of art, including NC pottery and pieces from the Joseph F. McCrindle Collection.

Location: 101 South Columbia Street

Fee: None

#### **UNC Campus Tour**

Discover our treasured University, unique history, culture, stories, landmarks, traditions and student life of the oldest public, state-supported University in the nation on a campus walking tour.

Location: UNC Visitors Center, Morehead Planetarium,

250 East Franklin Street

Fee: None

#### **Northside Neighborhood Tour**

Stop by the shops where black businesses flourished, the first black Navy Band was housed, civil rights sit-ins were planned, and neighbors have bound together to mobilize change.

Location: The Jackson Center, St. Joseph's Church

Manse, 512 West Rosemary Street

**Fee:** \$5

#### **Old Chapel Hill Cemetery**

Take a guided tour of Chapel Hill's oldest cemetery and learn about the history and preservation of this National Register listed site.

Location: Horace Williams House, 610 East Rosemary

Street **Fee:** \$5

### Town and Gown: Franklin-Rosemary Historic District

Explore Chapel Hill's oldest National Historic District and learn how the Town and the University grew up together on this guided walking tour.

**Location:** Horace Williams House, 610 East Rosemary

Street **Fee:** \$5

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 31<sup>st</sup>, 3:30 - 5:00**

#### **Hidden Hillsborough Tour**

Discover "Hidden Hillsborough" and learn about the many secondary structures that were an essential part of everyday life in our town.

**Location:** Historic Orange County Courthouse

Fee: None

#### **Historic Hillsborough Walking Tour**

Discover the history of the oldest town in Piedmont North Carolina on this guided walking tour of Hillsborough.

**Location:** Alexander Dickson House, 150 East King St.

**Fee:** \$5

#### **Ghosts of the Confederacy**

Hear about the Civil War's impact on North Carolina while visiting the Confederate dead on this guided tour of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church cemetery.

Location: St. Matthew's Church, 210 St. Mary's Road

**Fee:** \$5

#### **Burwell School Historic Site**

Explore one of the state's earliest female academies and the former home of Elizabeth Keckly, White House dressmaker for Mary Todd Lincoln.

**Location:** 319 North Church Street **Fee:** None. Suggested \$5 Donation

#### **Orange County Historical Museum**

Explore the development and history of Hillsborough from early Native American settlements through the 1950s. "From Horses to Horsepower: History of the Occaneechi Speedway" opens May 30th.

**Location:** 201 North Churton Street **Fee:** None. Suggested \$5 Donation

<sup>\*\*</sup> Tour tickets are available on-site. Please see the registration table for tickets. \*\*

## FRIDAY, MAY 30TH PROGRAM

8:45 am - 1:00 pm Registration at Carolina Inn, 211 Pittsboro Street, Chapel Hill

9:00 am - 9:05 am Opening Remarks and Welcome

Ramona Bartos, Deputy NC State Historic Preservation Officer Peter Sandbeck, Orange County Cultural Resources Coordinator

9:05 am - 1:00 pm Certified Local Government Training

9:05 am – 9:45 am Myrick Howard, President, Preservation North Carolina "Contemporary Design in Historic Districts"

How do contemporary buildings fit into our historic districts and their design review guidelines? Is contemporary architecture an appropriate choice within historic district boundaries? This talk explores this often controversial issue, reflecting on 35 years of historic preservation in North Carolina.

9:45 am – 10:30 am Ramona Bartos, Deputy NC State Historic Preservation Officer "The North Carolina Preservation Plan"

'The North Carolina State Historic Preservation Plan, 2013-2022: Legacy – A Gift from the Past for a Better Tomorrow.' Our cultural history – available to all of us through our architecture, our landscapes and our archaeological heritage – collectively give us our sense of place. Learn how you can participate in helping the plan come to fruition by encouraging broader preservation partnerships, economic development and job creation, and a greater appreciation for preservation of our state's heritage.

10:30 am - 10:45 am Break and Refreshments

Refreshments provided by the James Webb Trust

10:45 am — 11:45 am Dan Becker, Long-Range Planning Manager, City of Raleigh "Saving America's Treasures in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Leadership,

Stewardship, and Partnership"

We can't cling to the past as the world changes around us and expect to succeed in preserving our sense of place. This talk explores three concepts that will be critical for our movement to successfully meet the challenges of a new century and an evolving world.

11:45 am - 12:00 pm Break

#### 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Breakout Sessions

#### Adam Lovelady, UNC School of Government "Legal Issues for Historic Preservation Commissions"

What is our board authorized to do? Do we really need sworn witnesses for our hearings? And, what in the world does "quasi-judicial" mean? This session will review the roles and responsibilities of historic preservation commissions in North Carolina, explore requirements for quasi-judicial hearings, and address practical issues for preservation board procedures.

### Daniel Shoffner, Planning Department, City of Burlington Working with Your Local Nonprofit

This presentation will focus on private/public partnerships in preservation and how they can be beneficial to all. Hear how government entities, non-profits, and others can work together to preserve large and small sites, beautify historic neighborhoods, and make the most of preservation grants.

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Lunch on your own

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm Tours of Chapel Hill

Tickets are available at the Registration Table.

**4:30 pm – 6:30 pm Dinner on your own** 

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Registration at Carolina Inn

6:30 pm – 6:45 pm Opening Remarks

Joseph Reckford, Chapel Hill Historic District Commission Laurie Paolicelli, Chapel Hill-Orange County Visitors Bureau

6:45 pm – 8:00 pm

Keynote Address: Dr. Daniel Bluestone, University of Virginia "Integrity, Harmoniousness, and Compatibility: The Conundrums of Context"

Presented by the Kenan Foundation

For well over a generation, historic preservationists have been stewards not only of historic buildings and landscapes, but also of the design controls that regulate changes to historic places. Dr. Bluestone uses case studies to explore how the preservation movement is doing with design control efforts.

### 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm Opening Reception at the historic Horace Williams House 610 East Rosemary Street, Chapel Hill

Sponsored by Florence and Jim Peacock, Top of the Hill Restaurant & Brewery, and the Franklin Hotel. Catering by Durham Catering Company, Top of the Hill Restaurant & Brewery, and the Franklin Hotel.

Dr. Bluestone's book, *Buildings, Landscapes, and Memory: Case Studies in Historic Preservation,* will be available for purchase and signing during the reception.

## SATURDAY, MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> PROGRAM

8:00 am - 3:00 pm Registration

8:00 am - 9:00 am Coffee with Colleagues

Sponsored by the Orange County Historic Preservation Commission

Catering by Cup-A-Joe

Todd Dickinson, Orange County Historic Preservation Commission

Barry Jacobs, Orange County Board of Commissioners

9:15 am - 10:00 am Linda Jacobson and John Blythe,

**North Carolina Collection, UNC-Chapel Hill Library** 

"Saving Glen Lennox:

A Case Study in Developer and Community Partnership"

The apartments at Glen Lennox opened in 1950 to alleviate the housing shortage in Chapel Hill after World War II. Once the owner of Glen Lennox, Grubb Properties, announced plans to redevelop the area, residents of the apartments and surrounding neighborhood formed in opposition. Since then, Grubb Properties has worked with tenants, property owners, and the Town of Chapel Hill to create a development plan that will preserve some of the history and traits that distinguish the neighborhood. This presentation recalls the neighborhood's history and examines the cooperative process to preserve it amid redevelopment.

10:00 am - 10:15 am Break

10:15 am - 10:45 am Cynthia de Miranda, MdM Historical Consultants

"North Carolina Modernism in the National Press"

Modernist projects and architects in North Carolina drew attention from the national press, illustrating that our state's talented mid-century architects brought compelling new architectural ideas to fruition. This presentation explores this nation-wide interest in the region's mid-century Modernist movement.

10:45 am — 11:30 am Maia Dedrick, Geoffrey Hughes, James Nyman, and Ashley Peles, UNC-Chapel Hill Department of Anthropology

"Public Archaeology at the Hogan-Rogers House, Chapel Hill"

Research at the Hogan-Rogers House brings together two major themes in historical archaeology: the study of plantation slavery and public archaeology. Working with community stakeholders, participants in UNC-Chapel Hill's graduate course "Public Archaeology Practicum" devised a research program that put their archaeological knowledge and skills into practice. This presentation reports on the history of the area and describes the results of test excavations to locate outbuildings and activity areas associated with the extant house. It furthermore situates the project in ongoing discussions about ethics, applied practice, and the public benefits of archaeology.

#### 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Lunch on your own

#### 1:00 pm – 1:45 pm Claudia Brown, NC State Historic Preservation Office

"North Carolina's Rosenwald Schools: A Legacy of Hope and Progress"

The State Historic Preservation Office is involved in efforts to document the state's extant Rosenwald schools. Learn the background on Julius Rosenwald and the inception of the school-building program in the South, followed by an overview of the program's implementation in North Carolina, largely in the 1920s, and conclude with a discussion of Rosenwald schools in Orange, Durham, Wake, and other nearby counties.

### 1:45 pm – 2:30 pm Tom Magnuson, Trading Path Association Seth Kotch, UNC Southern Oral History Program

"The Back Way: Black Infrastructure in Rural Orange County"

This talk presents anecdotes and other evidence indicating the existence of "Black Roads" in rural Orange County during the Jim Crow era, including hints at methods employed to discourage Black residency in the county. The Southern Oral History Program and Trading Path are partners on a project that seeks to document and identify these "Black Roads" of Orange County through oral history and research.

#### 2:30 pm – 3:15 pm Brett Riggs, UNC-CH Department of Anthropology

"Eighteenth Century Native Communities in the Carolina Piedmont"

Documentary records and archaeology provide perspectives on settlement and population dynamics of native communities in the Carolina Piedmont in the 18th century. During this period, the Piedmont region was in continual flux due to epidemic disease, slave raiding, and warfare. Native communities abandoned the central Piedmont of North Carolina, eventually amalgamating with groups in South Carolina and Virginia, and forming new identities through coalescence.

#### **3:15** pm – **3:30** pm Closing Remarks

#### 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Tours of Hillsborough

Tickets are available at the Registration Table.

### 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Closing Reception at Moorefields Plantation Historic Site 2201 Moorefields Road, Hillsborough

Sponsored by Orange County Historic Preservation Commission

### SAVE THE DATE FOR NEXT YEAR!

Thank you for attending the First Annual Roots of the Piedmont Symposium! We hope that you enjoyed the symposium and will save the date to return again next year for networking with colleagues, more brainstorming our challenges, and more celebrating our successes!

#### **Date**

The Second Annual *Roots of the Piedmont: History and Preservation in Central North Carolina* Symposium will be held in May 2015.

#### **Call for Papers**

The Call for Papers will be sent out summer 2014. To make sure you're on the email list, please contact Cheri Szcodronski by email at cheri@preservationchapelhill.org or by phone at 919-942-7818.

#### **Planning Committee**

Interested in getting more involved in Roots of the Piedmont? Join the Planning Committee and assist with venue and tour planning, program development, and sponsorships! Contact Cheri Szcodronski by email at cheri@preservationchapelhill.org or by phone at 919-942-7818 for more information.

#### Tell us what you think!

Take a really great tour? Enjoy the presentations? Have ideas for next year?

Please tell us what you think by completing our brief survey! Visit www.preservationchapelhill.org to access the survey, or contact Cheri Szcodronski by email at cheri@preservationchapelhill.org or by phone at 919-942-7818 for more information.

The Second Annual Roots of the Piedmont: History and Preservation in Central North Carolina is tentatively scheduled for May 29-30, 2015

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