

Statewide Conference Update - Registration is Open



Conference registration is now open!

Join us for a day and a half of fun, learning, and networking on May 17 and May 18, 2019.

For more information on the program and for updates, check out our [conference website](#).

[Register for the Conference](#)

SHPO Fellowship - Final Days to Apply

The SHPO will be offering two professional development fellowships for emerging and mid-career historic preservation professionals. 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, and consulting/coaching fees for training activities, are examples of eligible activities.

The deadline for submitting an application is April 19, 2019. Winners will be announced at this year's conference on May 17th at the Omni Hotel in New Haven.

[Download an application here](#)

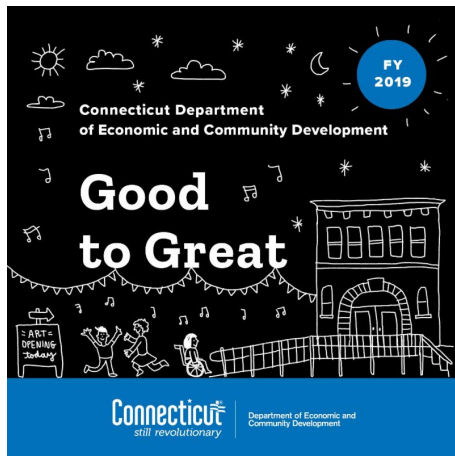
New Program Announcement! Institutional Support for Capacity Building Grants

The Institutional Support for Capacity Building (ISCB) Grants for Historic Preservation Non-Profit Organizations program is designed to advance the mission of local historic preservation organizations by supporting their ability to build capacity. For the purposes of this program, a local historic preservation organization is defined as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the comprehensive identification, evaluation, registration and protection of historic districts, sites, buildings, structures, objects, and landscapes that are significant in the history, architecture, archeology, engineering, or culture of the municipality in which it is based.

Visit the [program's webpage](#) for more information and an application to apply.

ISCB Grants are funded by the Community Investment Act. "The Community Investment Act" (also known as Public Act 05-228) was signed into law on July 11th, 2005. The Act provides increased funding for open space, farmland preservation, historic preservation and affordable housing.

Good to Great Grant



The **Good to Great program** provides funding for capital projects initiated by non-for-profit arts, cultural, and historic organizations that connect art, history and tourism in ways that enhance and transform the visitors' experience of an arts/cultural venue or historical site. This program seeks applications that look beyond basic facilities repair, rehabilitation, or expansion. Strong applications will include new means of sharing and telling the stories of our state's rich history and culture in engaging, meaningful, and relevant ways. Funding will be prioritized for collaborative projects that demonstrate a clear vision of how individual sites and

organizations can effectively tie together local, regional, or statewide cultural assets in ways that demonstrate measurable movement from "good" to "great". Applicants may request \$25,000 up to \$150,000.

Interested applicants must submit a **Letter of Interest** via email to [Todd Levine](#) on or before 11:59 pm, Wednesday, May 1, 2019.

Guidelines: [PDF](#)

Applicants should visit the [Good to Great webpage](#) for additional information.

CT Historical Society Legends & Lore Marker Program

What are important parts of your community's story that should be passed on? Connecticut's rich heritage of folklore and folklife will be featured on roadside markers at sites across the



state thanks to a partnership between the Connecticut Historical Society and The William G. Pomeroy Foundation. The CHS will serve as a grant evaluator for the Pomeroy Foundation's expanding national Legends & Lore Marker Grant Program, helping to put Connecticut folklore in the spotlight. Established by the Pomeroy Foundation in 2015, Legends & Lore is designed to promote cultural tourism and commemorate cultural heritage.

The program is meant to bring public recognition to many forms of valued local heritage across the state, and affirm the many cultures, traditions, and communities that make Connecticut distinctive. Markers should reflect important parts of community heritage, and can include stories as well as local celebrations, traditional arts, music, crafts, and people that are important to the community. Legends & Lore marker grants are available to 501(c)(3) organizations, nonprofit academic institutions, and municipalities in Connecticut, so individuals wishing to apply will need a local partner. The Foundation's grants cover the entire cost of a marker, pole and shipping.

Find out more information and how to apply here! <https://chs.org/legends-lore-roadside-marker-program/>

News from the Museums



Prudence Crandall Museum

Prudence Crandall was honored at a Women's History Month event at the State Capitol Building in Hartford on March 20th by Lt. Governor Bysiewicz, Secretary Merrill, and members of the Women's Caucus. Curator Joan DiMartino offered brief remarks on the upcoming renovations to occur at the Museum in the future. [photo]

The Prudence Crandall Museum's newest exhibit, *The Story Will Outlive the Canvas*, was awarded an Award of Merit from the Connecticut League of History Organizations. The Museum will be recognized at an Awards ceremony on April 16th at the Mark Twain House auditorium in



Hartford. Congratulations to retired curator Kazimiera Kozlowski and volunteer/educator Kendall Smith for all their hard work on this award-winning exhibit, on display through August.

A four-panel traveling exhibit, "Prudence Crandall: Teacher, Crusader, Heroine" is on display throughout the month of April at the Bridgeport Public Library. Contact the Museum if you are interested in hosting this exhibit: crandall.museum@ct.gov.

The museum opens for the season on May 2nd. Check [the museum's website](#) for hours, fees, and special events.

Old New-Gate Prison and Copper Mine

Old New-Gate Prison & Copper Mine will reopen for the season on May 9th, 2019 and run until October 28th. Hours of operation will include Thursdays through Mondays, 10:00am-4:30pm. Hope to see you there!

Visit the [Museum's website](#) for upcoming events!

