A Note from MHPN's President...

“We really need you to come to the Fall Benefit.”

That may seem like an odd way to invite you to GM Factory One on October 7 in Flint. The Annual Fall Benefit is one of the best evenings in the MHPN's calendar. It's relaxing and fun. You bid on great auction items, see friends, sip a beer, take a tour, eat some great food, applaud award winners, and then nibble dessert, have a coffee, and head home. How perfect is that?

But the MHPN places enormous demands on this light-hearted evening. Here's why.

You know the MHPN to be the 42-year-old organization for those interested in conserving Michigan’s cultural resources. We provide you with on-line and in-person training opportunities, your Annual Historic Resource Council Directory, NetworkNews and a content-packed website, a prestigious awards program, statewide conference, and advocacy that assures your elected officials hear your voice. We hold protective easements on properties as small as the c.1880 Bowers Harbor Inn on Old Mission Peninsula, and as large as the 1923 Book Cadillac Hotel in Detroit. We’re a trusted easement holder because we maintain an Easement Protection Fund ample enough to safeguard them in perpetuity. Our Intervention and Pre-Development Loans are supported by a high-six-figure revolving fund. We have endowed scholarships. We’re growing a new endowment to sustain us through fiscal emergencies.
What's missing is a robust and stable means to underwrite “operations.” You know…to buy ink cartridges, pay the mortgage, and cover staff salaries.

That’s where the Fall Benefit comes in. It provides operational dollars that carry us through the end of the year. How? When you register, part of your fee goes towards operations. We have silent and live auctions whose earnings go 100% toward operations because all the items are given to us for free. We have great sponsors who understand that without a successful party, it’s hard to pay the December phone bill.

So join us! We always have a great time. Now you know there’s also some very serious business with which you’re helping us!

Sincerely,

Janet L. Kreger,
President
"Dancing in the Streets" by Martha & the Vandellas, just makes you want to jump and dance. Totally perfect fit for Festival Season here in Michigan.
But, before you pack the car, enter your destination in the GPS, and head off on your adventure, you will consider making a gift to the MHPN. Your financial assistance is much-needed in the summer and fall months. Together, we can assure the historic destinations you enjoy this festival season will be around for a long time to come.

To make it even easier, click here to take the first step in your donation.

Don’t forget, your donations will help us reach our Michigan Arts and Culture Council $40K match!

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**CALL FOR CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS**

The Michigan Historic Preservation Network announces its

43rd Annual Statewide Preservation Conference

“A FRAGILE BALANCE:

How Heritage Tourism Balances Profitability and Authenticity”

*(Working Title)*
Wednesday, May 10 - Saturday, May 13, 2023

Mission Point Resort

Mackinac Island, Michigan

**Deadline:** Sunday, September 25, 2022, 11:59 PM

For information on how submit an abstract, [click here](#).
Older and historic houses can be very energy efficient, but need to be insulated and weatherized carefully with their special needs and unique materials in mind. Come join us for this **free** educational workshop and learn how to help your older home perform at its best while reducing energy costs and still respecting its historic character.

Event sponsored by City of Grand Rapids Planning/Historic Preservation Department; Michigan Historic Preservation Network and in part through an award from the Michigan Arts and Cultural Council.
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSIONER TRAINING

Join us as we learn about the enabling legislation that allows a Michigan community to establish a commission and locally designate historic districts, the nationally accepted standards to use when making commission decisions, due process, the appeals process, how to work with property owners in the district, and more!

Wednesday, Sept. 28
6 p.m.
Alexander Blue House
Greenmead Historical Park
20501 Newburgh Road
Livonia, MI 48152

Register at LivoniaParks.org
For more information, call (248) 477-7375.

This activity is supported in part by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

Upcoming MHPN Workshops
MHPN's monthly webinars are free and open to everyone to register. Miss the live event? Recordings on our YouTube channel. Check out the line up below and register today!
Preservation Grants
Fiscal Year 2023 Certified Local Government (CLG Grant Application Timeline—Applications Available October 3, 2022

CLGs should have received notice about the updated timeline for the FY23 CLG grant cycle. If you’re thinking of a potential CLG grant application, please reach out to Alan Higgins (contact information above) if you’d like to discuss a scope of work or other details. We’re always happy to answer questions. More details will be available as we near the application round. In the meantime, application materials from the previous funding round are available on the CLG grant website in case they’re helpful for planning purposes. As a reminder, grants are available for both rehabilitation projects as well as planning, documentation, and education projects and can be accessed by the municipality or non-profits and public entities within a CLG community; any community entered into the CLG program by the application due date (anticipated February 1, 2023) can apply for the funding.

- October 3, 2022: FY23 application round opens
- February 1, 2023: FY23 application round closes
- March/April 2023: Letters of intent to award sent
- June/July 2023: Grant agreements executed
- September 30, 2025: Projects must be completed

Preservation In the News
"Lifestorey: Russell Cooper Lewis" Detroit Free Press, September, 12, 2022.

"National Historic Site Designation Request to be considered by Sauatuck City Council to Meet Tonight," WHTC, by Gary Stevens, September 12, 2022.

"When and where to watch Boblo Island documentary in theaters in Metro Detroit starting this week Showings to run from Sept. 15-29," ClickOn Detroit, by Ken Haddad, September 12, 2022.


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**Preservation Calendar**

May-September, 2022: Tour - Preservation Detroit Walking Tours, Detroit, Michigan.

September 14-17, 2022: Conference - American Association for State and Local History, "Right Here, Right Now: The Power of Place," Buffalo, New York


September 18 and 25, 2022: Tour - Downtown Detroit Art and Architecture Walking Tour, by City Institute

September 19-30, 2022: Exhibit - Their Untold Stories - Black Landscape Architects Michigan Connection. The University of Detroit Mercy Genevieve Fisk Loranger Architectural Center Exhibition Space, 4001 West McNichols Road Detroit, MI 48221.


October 1, 2022: Tour - Preservation Detroit Mount Olivet Cemetery Tour.