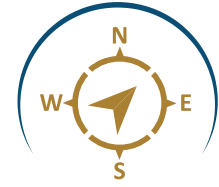


New Directions

The Heritage Area of Anne Arundel County



Chesapeake Crossroads

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Chesapeake Crossroads Board members meet in Maryland Hall with Carol Benson and Consultant, Robert Forloney

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Chesapeake Crossroads Sets New Priorities

As part of its Five-Year Planning process, which commenced in July of 2022 and is expected to conclude in April of 2023, the Chesapeake Crossroads Heritage Area conducted a variety of meetings, including a Board retreat, Coordinating Council sessions, committee meetings, and stakeholder input sessions (three in-person and one virtual). Following our Boundary Expansion in 2021, we have worked diligently to meet and include new stakeholders and expand our vision for new initiatives going forward.

The input we gathered was inspiring, and gave us much to strive for. As a result of these insights, the Board of Directors is establishing new priorities for the future. These new priorities include:

Untold Stories: We want to assist our communities in sharing untold stories in their own voices.

Broaden our Scope: We plan to more fully integrate cultural and natural heritage into our programs.

Equitability and Inclusivity: We seek to be as equitable and inclusive as (cont. on page 2)

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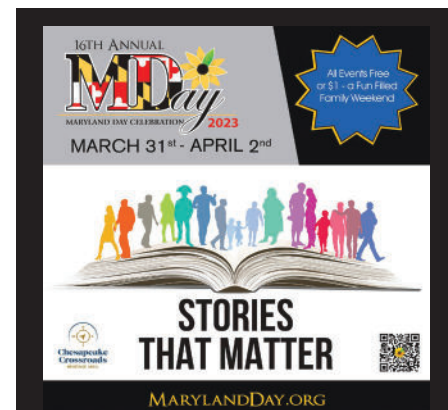
(cont. from page 1) possible, and to foster and promote equity, diversity, inclusivity, and accessibility among our partners.

Stewardship: We aim to promote environmental awareness, engage with climate change issues, and promote partnerships to put sustainable management into action.

Peer-to-Peer Support and Technical Assistance: We plan to increase our peer-to-peer support opportunities, foster new partnerships among our stakeholders, and offer strategic technical assistance to meet the needs of partners.

Five-Year Plans are opportunities for growth and reflection, and our own process has been no exception.

We deeply appreciate the active engagement of our stakeholders during the past years of growth and change, leading us to explore new roles and initiatives.



Grants Awarded in 2022

In 2022, the Chesapeake Crossroads Heritage Area brought \$342,768 in funding to capital and non-capital projects at heritage sites, museums, and non-profit organizations in our area, as well as three grants to ALTSCHA, which include support for our important Mini-Grant program. These fully-matched grants leveraged more than \$828,000 in total project costs.

Grants Awarded in 2022					
Type of Grant	Recipient and Project	Category	Grant Amount	Total Project Amount	
MHAA Capital Project Grants	Historic Annapolis, Inc. William Paca Garden Accessibility: Implementation Phase	Capital Improvement	\$50,000	\$100,000	
	London Town Foundation, Inc. ADA Pathways and Stormwater Management for the Eastern Campus	Capital Improvement	\$67,000	\$134,600	
MHAA Non-Capital Project Grants	Annapolis Maritime Museum, Inc. (Reserve Grant) Outdoor Exhibits: An Extension of 'Our Changing Waterfont'	Heritage Tourism Product	\$40,000	\$80,000	
	Friends of Hancock's Resolution, Inc. Historic Hancock's Resolution Exhibition Design Plan	Heritage Tourism Product	\$5,274	\$10,547.20	
	Kunta Kinte Celebrations Inc. 32nd Annual Kunta Kinte Heritage Festival	Education and Community	\$10,000	\$54,832	
	Wiley H. Bates Legacy Center The Wiley H. Bates Storytelling Project - Educate, Elevate, & Empower	Education and Community	\$19,000	\$48,744	
MHAA Management Grant	Chesapeake Crossroads Heritage Area (ALTSCHA, Inc.) FY2023 Management Grant	Management	\$100,000	\$208,000	
MHAA Marketing Grant	Chesapeake Crossroads Heritage Area (ALTSCHA, Inc.) FY2023 Marketing Grant -- Rebranding Project	Marketing	\$25,000	\$50,000	
MHAA Block Grant (Mini-Grant Program)	Chesapeake Crossroads Heritage Area (ALTSCHA, Inc.) FY2023 Block Grant -- Mini-Grant Program	Block Grant	\$25,000	see below	
Totals for State Funding in FY2023			\$341,274	\$676,176	
	Recipient and Project	Category	Grant Amount	Total Project Amount	
Chesapeake Crossroads Mini-Grant Program Grants, Fall 2022 (FY23)	Annapolis Maritime Museum Inc. Marine Survey and Preservation Plan for AMM's Wooden Boat Collection	Preservation and Education	\$2,500	\$22,237	
	Banneker-Douglass Museum Foundation "The Radical Voice of Blackness Speaks of Resistance and Joy" Exhibit	Education and Interpretation	\$4,000	\$14,500	
	Captain Avery Museum Emojis for the Chesapeake	Education and Community	\$4,000	\$9,000	
	Chesapeake Arts Center Spring Break Art and Culture Mini-Camp	Education and Community	\$1,494	\$2,988	
	Chesapeake Children's Museum, Inc Maryland Day Weekend 2023	Heritage Tourism Product	\$4,000	\$73,350	
	Chesapeake Children's Museum Free to Fish	Education and Community	\$3,000	\$7,600	
	Historic Annapolis "The Beaches" Exhibit at Museum of Historic Annapolis	Heritage Tourism Product	\$1,500	\$6,320	
	Kunta Kinte-Alex Haley Foundation African American Female Pioneers Book Project	Education and Interpretation	\$2,000	\$4,500	
	Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts Ballet After Dark	Education and Community	\$4,000	\$12,000	
	Totals for Mini-Grant Funding in FY2023 (Block Grant plus \$1,494 in private funds)			\$26,494	\$152,495
	Totals for Funded Projects in 2022			\$342,768	\$828,671

Nineteenth Annual Heritage Awards

On Thursday, November 10th, 2022, the Chesapeake Crossroads Heritage Area held its Nineteenth Annual Heritage Awards Ceremony in the Blue Heron Room at Quiet Waters Park. The Annual Heritage Awards recognize excellence on the part of individuals, organizations, partnerships, programs and products that contribute significantly to the community by interpreting, promoting, preserving, researching and/or supporting our historical legacy. The honorees have had a lasting impact on authentic stories and experiences at our museums and historic attractions, the sustainability of local organizations, and the preservation of the history and heritage of the local community.

New this year, our planning included recycling and composting to make our event “zero-waste.” Many thanks to Annapolis Green for their guidance and support, and to Annapolis Compost for handling the compost details.



Heritage Partnership Award honoree representatives for “Elktonia – Carr’s Beach Land Conservation & Heritage Preservation Project” - (L to R: Jessica Leys [Anne Arundel County], William Rowel [City of Annapolis], Executive Director Carol Benson, Vincent Leggett [Blacks of the Chesapeake], Allison Anderson [Chesapeake Conservancy])



Board member Heather Skipper with Honoree Dave Hanner (Anchors Aweigh Music Tour)

2022 Heritage Awards honorees include:

HERITAGE TOURISM PRODUCT OF THE YEAR AWARD – EXHIBIT: Museum of Historic Annapolis Exhibition, “Annapolis: An American Story”

HERITAGE TOURISM PRODUCT OF THE YEAR AWARD – TOUR: USNA Visitor Center, “Anchors Aweigh Music Tour”

HERITAGE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD – Roy Benner, Goshen Farm Preservation Society

HERITAGE PARTNERSHIP AWARD – Elktonia – Carr’s Beach Land Conservation & Heritage Preservation Project

HERITAGE SPONSOR OF THE YEAR – Annapolis Cars, Sponsor of Boatyard Beach Bash

OUTDOORS INITIATIVE AWARD – Chesapeake Children’s Museum

HERITAGE STEWARDSHIP AWARD – Bob & Vera Wiest, AA County Cultural Resources

HERITAGE LEADERSHIP AWARD – Robert C. Clark

Congratulations to this year’s outstanding honorees!



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