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AARCH MATTERS

Your Preservation News for the Adirondack Region

"I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers."
— L. M. Montgomery, Anne of Green Gables

October was as fleeting as the months prior, as preparations for winter began both in nature and at AARCH.

We concluded our summer programming with a workshop on restoring wood windows, led by window restoration specialist Kurt Riegel. Workshop participants spent the day learning how to repair and preserve historic wood windows at the octagonal Boquet Schoolhouse in Essex.

In early October, we visited the historic abandoned village of Adirondac in the Town of Newcomb with our colleagues at the Open Space Institute, learning more about their restoration work at the Tahawus Tract.

Later in the month we returned to Newcomb to button-up Camp Santanoni for the winter, closing the farm buildings and main camp until spring. Follow Great Camp Santanoni on Facebook for information on 2023 programming.

We also began our three-part webinar series on Funding Preservation Projects, supported with a grant from the Generous Acts Program of the Adirondack Foundation. If you missed our first webinar, *Preserving Historic Barns*, you can find it posted on our YouTube channel. Registration information for our next two programs on historic tax credits and preservation grants is below.

Finally, it's not too late to join us as *AARCH Goes to Guatemala* in the spring! More information below.

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- **AARCH Goes to Guatemala**

Chimney ruin in the abandoned village of Adirondac, part of the Tahawus Tract, owned by the Open Space Institute in the Town of Newcomb.

Kurt Riegel providing a demonstration to window workshop participants.

- **Funding Preservation Projects - Historic Tax Credits and Grants**
- **Support the Keese Smith Farm**
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- **ADX - Adirondacks for All**

Cleaning the main camp at Santanoni.

AARCH GOES TO GUATEMALA

We are excited to announce that after three years, AARCH International Tours have returned! We will spend 10 days in Guatemala from March 3-13, 2023 on a guided tour led by an architectural historian. For the itinerary and trip details, please **visit our website**. We are accepting first-come, first-served reservations until Friday, November 11, 2022. Email **info@aarch.org** now to learn more and/or reserve your spot. We hope you can join us!

Images:
Top left - **Tikal National Park**
Top right - **Hotel Posada de Don Rodrigo, Antigua**
Bottom left - **Lake Atitlan**

UPCOMING WEBINARS

Funding Preservation Projects: Historic Tax Credits
Wednesday, November 16
4:00 - 6:00 PM

REGISTER

Historic preservation is an effective tool for a wide range of shared goals, including small business incubation, affordable housing, sustainable development, neighborhood stabilization, community revitalization, job creation, promotion of the arts and culture, small-town renewal, heritage tourism, and economic development. Preservation and reuse of historic buildings reduce

resource and material consumption, put less waste in landfills, and consume less energy than demolishing buildings and constructing new ones. In addition, preservation connects communities to their history and fosters community pride.

This webinar will share information on the NYS and Federal Historic Tax Credits, highlighting how Adirondack/North Country communities can use these important financial incentives to create positive and sustainable economic development. A Q&A period will follow the presentations, where our experts will address audience questions and comments.

This event is FREE and open to the public, made possible through a Generous Acts grant from the Adirondack Foundation.

Funding Preservation Projects: Grants
Wednesday, December 7
4:00 - 6:00 PM

REGISTER

The final webinar in our three-part series, *Historic Preservation as Economic Development* , will focus on historic preservation grant funds for project planning and capital restoration/rehabilitation. Investing in historic buildings promotes successful economic development, environmental protection, and sustainable community investment. Attendees will hear about public and private grant programs that support architectural services as well as brick and mortar costs.

A Q&A period will follow the presentations, where our experts will address audience questions and comments.

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SUPPORT THE KEESE SMITH FARM

Support efforts to preserve the historic Stephen Keese Smith house in Peru! The North Country Underground Railroad Association is raising funds to purchase and preserve the former property of Quaker abolitionist Stephen Keese Smith, who operated an Underground Railroad safe haven in the barn on this farm. The North Country Underground Railroad Association created a Go Fund Me to help raise funds. Contribute here to support their work towards this goal.

PRESERVING HISTORIC PLASTER VIDEOS ONLINE

This past June, AARCH hosted a two-day, hands-on workshop exploring historic plaster with master plasterer Richard Barrow of Global Heritage Group LLC and Jon Owens from Lancaster Lime Works at the spectacular Graves Mansion in Au Sable Forks.

We were grateful to film the event and have uploaded the videos as a six-part series on our YouTube page featuring tons of information on lime plastering techniques, mixing, applying each coat, salvage and repair, and more. You can begin watching this program with our first video, posted here.

This project was made possible thanks to funding from the National Trust for Historic Preservation's John E. Streb Fund.

ONLINE COLLEAGUE EVENT

ADIRONDACK EXPERIENCE™
The Museum on Blue Mountain Lake

Hosted by our friends at the **Adirondack Experience**:

Using Policy and Preservation to Foster an Adirondacks for All

Friday, November 4, 2022 | 7:00pm | FREE

From the Adirondack Experience: During this final roundtable discussion in the "Adirondacks for All" week-long symposium, Aaron Mair will engage state representatives and Adirondack stakeholders in a conversation that touches on the past, present, and future of the Adirondacks. Mair is currently leading the Adirondack Council's "Forever Adirondacks" campaign and formerly served as the first African-American president of the Sierra Club. Mair's passion for stewardship, preservation, and environmental justice has put him at the center of efforts to memorialize the region's African-American history and establish the Timbuctoo Summer Climate and Careers Institute which will connect New York City youth with educational programs and green job training based in the Adirondacks. Mair will address these and other projects designed to protect Adirondacks land and water while encouraging diversity, equity, and economic opportunity.

To register please visit, https://www.theadkx.org/event/policy-preservation-foster-adirondacks-for-all/

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