The White House Historical Association
Annual Symposium:
“The Presidency and Historic Preservation”
Featuring White House Staff, Historians, Speakers from Presidential Sites and Others

Thursday May 27, 2022 (Washington, D.C.) – The White House Historical Association, in partnership with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, hosted its annual day-long educational symposium Thursday, May 26, 2022, 8AM-4:30PM at the historic Decatur House located at 748 Jackson Place NW, Washington, DC.

This year’s program, themed “The Presidency and Historic Preservation,” included panel discussions on the topics of “Women in Historic Preservation,” “Presidential Sites of Enslavement,” “Preserving Presidential Sites,” and “Preserving the White House.”

See high-resolution images of the 2022 Symposium

The 2022 Symposium was an in-person event that was livestreamed on the White House Historical Association’s YouTube and Facebook channels.

2022 Symposium Schedule:

- “Preserving Presidential Sites”
  - Katherine Malone-France, Chief Preservation Officer, The National Trust for Historic Preservation (moderator)
  - Dr. Sara Bon-Harper, Executive Director, James Monroe’s Highland
  - Dawn Hammatt, Director, Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum
  - Dr. Michael Atwood Mason, CEO and Executive Director, Lincoln’s Cottage
• “Women in Historic Preservation”
  o Dr. Colleen Shogan, Senior Vice President and Director of the David M. Rubenstein National Center for White House History, The White House Historical Association (moderator)
  o Elaine Rice Bachmann, State Archivist of Maryland and co-author of *Designing Camelot*
  o Melissa Naulin, Associate Curator of Decorative Arts, The White House
  o Susan P. Schoelwer, Executive Director, Historic Preservation and Collections and Robert H. Smith Senior Curator, George Washington’s Mount Vernon

• “Presidential Sites of Enslavement”
  o Mary Elliott, Curator, The Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture (moderator)
  o Dr. Sara Bon-Harper, Executive Director, James Monroe’s Highland
  o Andrew Davenport, Public Historian, The Thomas Jefferson Foundation, Monticello
  o Lina Mann, Historian, The White House Historical Association

• “Preserving the White House”
  o Dr. Matthew Costello, Vice President and Senior Historian, The White House Historical Association (moderator)
  o Leslie Greene Bowman, President, The Thomas Jefferson Foundation at Monticello
  o Stewart McLaurin, President, The White House Historical Association
  o John Stanwich, Liaison to the White House, The National Park Service
  o Lydia Tederick, Curator, The White House

For more information about this event, contact press@whha.org.

About The White House Historical Association
First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy envisioned a restored White House that conveyed a sense of history through its decorative and fine arts. In 1961, the White House Historical Association was established to support her vision to preserve and share the Executive Mansion’s legacy for generations to come. Supported entirely by private resources, the Association’s mission is to assist in the preservation of the state and public rooms, fund acquisitions for the White House permanent collection, and educate the public on the history of the White House. Since its founding, the White House Historical Association has contributed more than $50 million in fulfillment of its mission. To learn more about the White House Historical Association, please visit www.whitehousehistory.org.