New Ayr Mount Footbridge & Trail
Crossing the Eno River
Hillsborough, NC

On Friday, July 22nd, Ayr Mount unveiled the new 95’-long Footbridge spanning the Eno River, connecting downtown Hillsborough with the Mountains-to-Sea Trail of North Carolina. Despite the soaring heat, over 150 people gathered at the footings of the new bridge to celebrate its completion and acknowledge the supporters who contributed towards this project. Read More.

Preservation in Progress
A History of the Ayr Mount Master Trail Plan
Hillsborough, NC
By Bill Crowther

"Preservation in Progress" is a phrase that reflects the current challenges of preservation work. On one hand, it describes the ongoing and continual effort of making history and conservation more relevant to the present-day. At the same time, this phrase also conveys the gradual nature of preservation work which is often done in stages (or by degrees). But rest assured preservation is indeed happening! The often
opposing two words are joined together to remind us how important it is to save our natural and cultural history, and acknowledge this as a process that is long-term and requires patience. The emphasis of the **Ayr Mount Master Trail Plan in Hillsborough, NC** takes this long view and aims to show the progression of this local history in the context of Classical American Homes' mission to preserve and make available to the public these treasures from the past.  

Bill Crowther is the Site Supervisor at Ayr Mount, leading preservation efforts in Hillsborough for over 30 years.

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**Fakes, Forgeries & Reproductions**  
Seminor with Charles F. Hummel  
Hillsborough, NC

**Caveat Emptor: Fakes, Forgeries & Reproductions**, was a hot ticket item at Leland Little Auctions on Saturday, July 23rd. Charles F. Hummel (Professor Emeritus, Winterthur), drew nearly 100 attendees to this day-long seminar that included collectors, historians, curators, dealers, and casual interested participants. The mini-course gave tips and anecdotes on recognizing and distinguishing some key characteristics of fakes, forgeries, and reproductions. Prof. Hummel shared captivating and humorous stories that span his distinguished career as an expert in American design. Scholarly and absorbing, Prof. Hummel presented dozens of images to show how objects ranging from ceramics, glassware, silver, and furniture should all be subject to careful observation and examination.

Following the seminar, a group of enthusiasts gathered at Ayr Mount for a special cocktail reception and a hands-on tour of the collection.

[Click here to see more photos.](#)

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**Spring Patrons Party**  
George F. Baker Houses  
New York, NY

This year's Patron Party was especially exciting as CAHPT welcomed guests on May 19th to our newly redesigned offices and Carriage House located at 69 East 93rd.
Newly redesigned and decorated Carriage House and CAHPT offices at the George F. Baker House.

Street. The Carriage House has been largely used as a garage, but with new floors and décor it is now an impressive open space in which we look forward to holding future lectures and events. After perusing our new space, guests moved on to 67 East 93rd to enjoy a cocktail and refreshments while catching up with old friends. Dick Jenrette was in attendance and was so pleased that many donors, friends, and former co-workers stopped in for a visit. We thank everyone who joined us and for your ongoing support!

Click here to see more photos.

Historic House Trust
Founders Award 2016
New York, NY

The Historic House Trust presented the Annual Founders Award on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at The Metropolitan Club in Manhattan to Margize Howell, CAHPT Co-President, in recognition of her distinguished career in historic preservation. Margize is a member of the HHT Directors’ Council and has been an ardent supporter since 1994. Her interest in the preservation of historic homes began at a young age and grew into an extensive career that embodies a committed dedication to preserving our American heritage. Read More.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the date for two celebratory events, in September and October, to honor Millford’s 175th Anniversary!

SEPTEMBER
Fifth Music at Millford  
Sunday, September 18, 2016

The Fifth Music at Millford will feature artistic director and acclaimed cellist Robert deMaine, from the Los Angeles Philharmonic, to our notable concert series.

This year, Robert returns to Millford with Nathan Cole on violin and Ben Ullery on viola. This exceptional trio from the LA Philharmonic will present a program that includes an original composition for Millford!

This concert is sure to be an extraordinary musical experience - held in the Double Parlors of one of the finest examples of Greek Revival architecture in the country - you will want to reserve your tickets today!

The Fifth Music at Millford has been generously sponsored by The Wells Fargo Foundation and Thomas S. Kenan III. Special thanks to Brunk Auctions, Charlton Hall Auctions, Rice Music House, and The Standard Group for their continued support and partnership.

Grounds open and Picnic starts at 12 Noon  
House opens at 1:00 PM  
Concert at 2:00 PM  
Pre-Concert Lecture & Tour at 12:30 PM  
Millford at 175: Athenian Splendor in the High Hills of Santee with Peter M. Kenny, renowned furniture historian and CAHPT Co-President.

Post-Concert Talk Back at 3:45 PM  
An intimate conversation between the musicians and the audience.

Click for details and to purchase tickets.

OCTOBER

Mark your calendars!

Millford's 175th Anniversary Celebration  
Saturday, October 15, 2016

Enjoy a Barbecue Picnic and festive music on the grounds of one of the finest examples of Greek Revival architecture in America.

Take a tour of this magnificent historic house, explore the gardens and various outbuildings, have fun playing games and activities for families, and sign-up for an event.
exclusive afternoon event benefiting Millford - go behind-the-scenes to experience up-close the architecture and art that makes this magnificent place a Taj Mahal of the South.

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Low Country cuisine, music, tours of historic interiors and beautiful grounds, children activities.

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Friends of Millford Benefit: special behind-the-scenes tour, lecture and cocktails on the porch during golden hour.

Click here for details and to purchase tickets.

JANUARY 2017

Emerging Scholars Colloquium
Sunday, January 22, 2017

The Decorative Arts Trust and Classical American Homes Preservation Trust are delighted to announce their collaboration on an Emerging Scholars Colloquium, to be held at the Carriage House of the George F. Baker complex in New York City.

Coinciding with the annual New York Antiques Week and Winter Antique Show, this program will feature presentation by graduate students and young professionals on their research and work in the field. Proceeds will benefit Decorative Arts Trust's Emerging Scholars Program. Registration to follow.

For more information, please contact us.

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Lectures about the decorative arts by selected emerging scholars.

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Champagne brunch to benefit Decorative Arts Trust.

About the Decorative Arts Trust

Tours
Spring and Summer
South Carolina to New York

Recently, we welcomed groups from Massachusetts all the way to Georgia, including the alumni from Williams College’s Class of 1961, The Colonial Dames of America in New York City, and the Revolutionary War Ladies of Pennsylvania. Tours continue through March. For more information, please contact us.
Students from the Institute of Classical Architecture & Art with Dick Jenrette (center) visit Edgewater on the Hudson.

appreciative they were to Dick Jenrette for personally giving them the tour.

As Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote, "the ornament of a house is the friends who frequent it" and we hope you frequent one or possible all of our houses in the near future!

Click here to see more photos from the ICAA students' visit to Edgewater.

To schedule a tour at any one of our houses, please click here.
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Let us know your thoughts about historic preservation, comment on your visit to our historic homes, and share with your friends news about our programs and events!