Greetings!

Happy Thanksgiving from Classical American Homes! In the spirit of Thanksgiving, we want to thank everyone who has supported us this year - from making a gift or purchasing a ticket to an event or tour, to ordering a book or simply sending along a kind note -- you have kept us inspired (and busy!) and we look forward to continuing our mission in preservation together.

Keep reading to catch up on the latest and upcoming events at CAHPT and be sure to check out “Under the Covers”, our featured “Classica Americana” article by Peter Kenny on historic upholstery at Millford.
Wishing you a Happy Thanksgiving!
-- All of us at CAHPT

Under the Covers

*Revealing the original Manning upholstery at Millford*

Step back to the time this photo was taken, around 1903, and join Peter Kenny as he delves into the mysteries under the seat covers, bringing to light the original upholstery used by Duncan Phyfe and the Mannings on a suite of furniture at Millford. See photos of the original fabric and learn about how CAHPT partnered with The Metropolitan Museum of Art to restore some of the collection.

Read: Under the Covers

A Musical Duo in Harmony at a Trio of Classical Houses!

*CAHPT’s first concert series*

This Fall, Classical American Homes Preservation Trust and The Richard H. Jenrette Foundation presented three unique concerts inspired by the themes of classicism and romanticism resonant not only in music, but also in the architecture and decorative arts of our collection of historic homes. Robert deMaine, CAHPT Artistic Director of the concert series and the Principal Cellist of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, along with Simon Adda-Reyss, Associate Professor of Keyboard Studies at the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique in Paris, created an exciting week-long program that stretched all the way from Edgewater on the Hudson in Barrytown, New York to Ayr Mount on the banks of the Eno River in Hillsborough, North Carolina, and culminated in the High Hills of Santee in Pinewood, South Carolina at Millford.

Read about the concert and watch clips from each of the performances by clicking the links below. Follow the Millford link to listen to a radio broadcast by Bradley Fuller of South Carolina Public Radio featuring an interview with cellist Robert deMaine.

Read: The Classical Ideal at Edgewater

Read: The Classical Ideal at Ayr Mount

Read: The Classical Ideal at Millford
Cèilidh at Ayr Mount
Honoring the Kirkland's Scottish Heritage

The second Cèilidh at Ayr was held on Saturday, October 21st on a crisp afternoon on the grounds of Ayr Mount. Over 450 people joined in for the festivities, including local musicians, a presentation on history of the bagpipe, local Scottish-inspired fare, and activities for the kids!

Read on to hear more about the event and see photos -- even of the elusive Loch Ayr Monster!

Autumn 2017 Tours & Visits

It has been a busy year at CAHPT - we can’t believe it is already mid-November! We have had a lot of fun with our tours and visitors this season and we thank everyone who came out to see us! A few groups that have visited us this season are The Huntsville Museum of Art, The National Colonial Dames, the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the Santa Barbara Museum of Art, the Junior League of Charlotte, and the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art as well as groups from Natchez, Mississippi (pictured, right) and Ohio.

There is still time to come out to Ayr Mount and Millford click below for schedules and hours.

Announcing: Yuletide at Millford 2017!

Visit Millford on Saturday, December 2nd and Sunday, December 3rd to enjoy the festive Yuletide decorations provided by The Azalea Garden Club of Manning, SC and entertainment by the Sumter High Orchestra String Quartet directed by Erik Hines. Refreshments of apple cider and cookies will be served.

Admission is $15.

Please click below to purchase your ticket.
Announcing: The 2018 Emerging Scholars Colloquium

On Sunday, January 21st, 2018, Classical American Homes Preservation Trust and The Decorative Arts Trust are pleased to host our second Emerging Scholars Colloquium. This one-day colloquium will present a range of new research, current projects, and the latest discoveries in the field by five young scholars. It will be followed by a Bloody Mary & Ham Biscuit Benefit.

This event is sponsored in part by the Wunsch Americana Foundation and is a benefit for the Decorative Arts Trust’s Emerging Scholars Program, which supports continuing education scholarships, summer research grants, and awards for curatorial internship opportunities in the field.

Online registration and more details are available now - click below to sign up today!

Schedule:
Sunday, January 21st: 9 AM - 12 PM

Stay in touch with us on Instagram and Facebook!
Share your own pictures and experiences from your visits to our houses -- your photo could be featured in a future newsletter!

Featured this month is a beautiful shot of the fall foliage at Ayr Mount, by @hookandsmee, who has many other beautiful photos at Ayr Mount and throughout North Carolina!
Support our mission to preserve, protect and open to the public examples of classical American architecture, surrounding landscapes and scenic trails, as well as fine and decorative arts of the first half of the 19th century.

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