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GEORGIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND GEORGIA PUBLIC BROADCASTING LAUNCH TODAY IN GEORGIA HISTORY



GHS President and CEO Dr. Todd Groce; GPB President and Executive Director Teya Ryan; Host of Georgia Lawmakers Nwandi Lawson; GHS Senior Historian and host of *Today in Georgia History* Dr. Stan Deaton; Daughter of Otis Redding, Karla Redding-Andrews; Former UGA Football Coach and Athletic Director Vince Dooley

The Georgia Historical Society (GHS) and Georgia Public Broadcasting (GPB) are pleased to announce the launch of *Today in Georgia History*, a new educational program that includes daily television and radio segments focusing on significant people and events associated with a particular day in Georgia history. Episodes begin airing daily Sept. 1, 2011 on GPB.

The short segments are also available on the *Today in Georgia History* website, www.todayingeorgiahistory.org. This interactive website allows you to access streaming audio and video of the episodes, as well as transcripts, tips for teachers, curriculum, writing prompts, review questions and discussion topics, classroom exercises, follow-up research topics and selected primary-source material. Together, these resources will reach students of all grade levels,

cover all subject areas based on content, and will align with Georgia's social studies curriculum and performance standards. The website is still under construction but information for September is loaded.

Today in Georgia History is a joint collaboration of the Georgia Historical Society and Georgia Public Broadcasting. Through this partnership, GHS performs historical research and selects the historical events to profile in each segment; creates each script and selects and provides images; creates educational materials and hosts the program with its Senior Historian Dr. Stan Deaton.

GPB performs all production and post-production activities including recording, editing and producing each segment for broadcast on television and radio.

Today in Georgia History segments will include pieces that feature legendary former UGA Head Football Coach and Athletic Director Vince Dooley and the late popular recording artist Otis Redding. Dooley, whose featured segment aired Sept. 4, participated in a *Today in Georgia History* press conference held at GPB studios in Atlanta this morning in support of the project, as did Redding's daughter, Karla Redding-Andrews. Redding's segment will air Sept. 9.

Television slots will be aired during primetime and weekend hours, reaching nearly 225,000 homes per week. Radio segments will air twice daily within flagship newsmagazines and in key mid-day broadcast slots, reaching nearly 105,000 listeners per week.

Broadcast Schedule: GPB TV

Monday- Friday at the 9 PM break, (8:57)
Saturday at 1 and 7 PM, (12:57 and 6:57)
Sunday at 7 and 9 PM, (6:57 and 8:57)

GPB Radio

Monday- Friday at 8:19am and 1:57pm
Saturday and Sunday at 9:18am and 5:18pm

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2012 GEORGIA TRUSTEES ANNOUNCED: TOM COUSINS AND ANDREW YOUNG



Photo courtesy of the office of
Tom Cousins.



Photo courtesy of the office of
Andrew Young.

The Georgia Historical Society (GHS) is pleased to announce the selection of the 2012 Georgia Trustees: Atlanta real-estate and sports franchise mogul Thomas G. Cousins and former U.N. Ambassador and Mayor of Atlanta Andrew J. Young, Jr.

"The Georgia Trustees are the embodiment of the noble principle upon which Georgia was founded, 'not for self but for others,'" said Dr. Todd Groce, President and CEO of GHS. "The service of Mr. Cousins and Ambassador Young to our state and nation reflects the highest ideals of the original Trustees and merits their inclusion in this distinguished group of Georgians. Their leadership and selflessness have shaped the destiny of our state and improved the lives of all Georgians."

Mr. Cousins has played a key role in the creation of modern Atlanta. He is the founder and chairman emeritus of Cousins Properties, a real estate investment trust responsible for the development of Atlanta landmarks such as the CNN Center, Omni Coliseum, 191 Peachtree Tower and Bank of America Plaza. Mr. Cousins is also a leader in

the Atlanta sports franchise industry, having bought and moved the NBA's St. Louis Hawks to Atlanta in 1968 and established the 1972 NHL expansion team, the Atlanta Flames.

Ambassador Young is a statesman and champion of civil rights. He has served as United States Ambassador to the U.N. (1977-1979), Mayor of Atlanta (1982-1990), U.S. Congressman (1973-1977) and top aide to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Throughout his long career, he has worked tirelessly to expand civil rights of all people and to promote mutual respect and understanding between people of all backgrounds and races.

In 2009, the Office of the Governor and GHS reconstituted the Georgia Trustees, an honor bestowed upon leaders in Georgia that dates back to the founding of the colony. The Governor signed an executive order to establish the annual appointment of new Trustees whose history-making accomplishments and service - across all fields, demographics and geographic areas - reflect the original Trustees' ideals. GHS is responsible for oversight of the program and selection process.

GHS will honor the 2012 Georgia Trustees at the Trustees Gala, featuring the theme "Savannah Sol," on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012 with an elegant evening of Latin-inspired dinner and dance, including lively conversation with the inductees. The Trustees Gala is the culmination of the Georgia History Festival, the signature K-12 educational program of the Georgia Historical Society.

For information about the 2012 Trustees Gala, please visit www.georgiahistory.com or call 912.651.2125 ext. 120.

SAVE-THE-DATE

WHAT: 2012 Trustees Gala "Savannah Sol"

WHEN: Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012

WHERE: Hyatt Regency, Savannah

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GEORGIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY EXPANDS FACILITIES: ANNOUNCES NEW JEPSON HOUSE EDUCATION CENTER



The Georgia Historical Society (GHS) is proud to announce its first facility expansion in 40 years with the acquisition of the newly-named Jepson House Education Center. Located adjacent to the GHS historic headquarters at Hodgson Hall, the new property at 104 W. Gaston St. is a three-story, 7,000-square foot historic brick and stucco antebellum house built in 1856. The property features an interior courtyard, meticulously-maintained gardens and a separate 1,250 square foot carriage house. The structure's architecture and pristine gardens beautifully complement GHS's Savannah campus while also presenting new venues for receptions and outdoor entertaining.

As its name implies, Jepson House Education Center will be the place from which all GHS educational programming and services will be planned and emanate around the state. It will house the Society's executive and administrative offices. It is named in honor of Savannah philan-

thropists Robert S. and Alice Jepson, the champions of education who helped acquire the building through their fundraising efforts.

Library and archival staff offices will remain in Hodgson Hall, and the planned relocation of program and administrative functions into a new facility will free space in Hodgson Hall for additional resources and archival storage. The move will allow a 25 percent increase in the Society's archival storage space, which is a necessary next step as GHS aggressively collects and preserves the history of Georgia's 20th and 21st century leaders.

Over the past 15 years, GHS has experienced tremendous growth. Its membership has increased from 2,000 to nearly 6,000; its operating budget has grown from under \$200,000 to over \$2.5 million; its endowment has grown from \$1 million to \$7 million; and its employees have grown from 3 to nearly 25. Furthermore, the archival collection has expanded due to a focused campaign to collect Georgia history and today only 700 out of 14,000 cubic feet remains within the Society's environmentally controlled, secure storage facility (Abrahams Annex) to house future acquisitions, making the need for expansion undeniable. By providing new space for educational and administrative staff, the acquisition of Jepson House will increase archival storage space to nearly 18,000 cubic feet.

"GHS fully intends to maintain the integrity of this beautiful historic property in the same manner we care for and preserve the items in our archives. The addition of this house to our Savannah campus allows us to grow as an organization while providing the space to acquire and expand our collections," said Dr. Todd Groce, President and CEO of Georgia Historical Society.

In anticipation of the move, GHS will be accepting furniture donations to furnish Jepson House. For more information please call 912.651.2125 ext. 120.

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FROM THE AFFILIATES

Richmond Hill Historical Society

Thursday, Sept. 8th
6:30 p.m.

The Richmond Hill Historical Society will host an art show and reception. The theme of the show is "Disappearing Lifestyles on Bryan Neck." Come and meet local artists whose work highlights the people, places, and events that have helped define Richmond Hill and Bryan County. Open to the public. Refreshments to follow. As an added bonus, the "Bailey Carpenter Barbershop," will be open for viewing the night of the art show.

Saturday, Sept. 24th
2 – 4 p.m.

The Richmond Hill Historical Society will host a trolley tour of the Ford Plantation. The tour begins at the Richmond Hill Museum. The tour will highlight significant historical sites and buildings within the Ford Plantation and will end with a light reception. Tickets are \$20 for members and \$35 for non-members.

Call 912.756.3697 for more information or stop by the museum.

Fulton County Public Library (Central Library)

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011
2 – 4 p.m.

Presenting a lecture with John Wiley, Jr., author of "Margaret Mitchell's Gone With the Wind: A Bestseller's Odyssey from Atlanta to Hollywood." This program is free and open to the public. If you would like more information, call 404.730.1896.

Augusta Museum of History

Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2011
12:30 p.m.

As part of its continuing Brown Bag History Series, the Augusta Museum of History presents, Adaptive Reuse of Historic Buildings, a talk given by Mr. Clay Boardman. The economic benefits of adaptive reuse versus demolition of a city's historic assets can be enormous. Abandoned buildings have been transformed into restaurants, lodging, retail and office space. Mr. Boardman will discuss the philosophy of adaptive reuse of historic buildings and his past and future CSRA projects.

The Brown Bag History Series is an educational lecture series provided monthly by the Augusta Museum of History, and is an ideal lunch-time break for downtown professionals, retirees and students. The lectures are free to Museum members and \$3 for non-members. Participants should bring a lunch and the Museum will only be providing beverages. Lunch can begin as early as 11:30 a.m.; the lecture runs from 12:30 - 1:00 p.m.

Lucy Craft Laney Museum of Black History

July 1—Oct. 31, 2011

The Ebony Legacy Exhibition is an ongoing showcase that highlights the contributions and achievements of many African-Americans who have lived and worked diligently to help make Augusta what it is today. In addition, many have continued their work with acclaim in Georgia, the United States and the world. This project was first shown as part of the Arts in the Heart of Augusta Festival in 1993 under the leadership of Judith Ruffin.

Admission: \$5 Adults, \$3 Seniors, \$2 Children

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FROM THE ARCHIVES



IMLS UPDATE

The Georgia Historical Society (GHS) is pleased to announce the addition of over 2,000 searchable online catalog records and digital images featuring artifacts, portraits and maps in the GHS collection. A component of GHS's ongoing *Expanding Audiences for History: Access for a New Century* technology initiative, this effort helps to meet the demands of modern researchers. GHS's collections chronicle the national experience as lived, interpreted and documented by citizens and community, state and national leaders. These historic treasures provide a fuller context for understanding the social, cultural, economic and political milieus that influenced the development of a democratic state and nation for nearly three centuries.

This project is made possible in part by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the nation's 123,000 libraries and 17,500 museums. The Institute's

mission is to create strong libraries and museums that connect people to information and ideas.



**GEORGIA HISTORICAL QUARTERLY
BACK ISSUES AVAILABLE ON JSTOR**

The Georgia Historical Society (GHS) is pleased to announce the entire back run of the *Georgia Historical Quarterly* is now accessible online through Journal Storage (JSTOR), the not-for-profit digital archive.

Researchers at institutions that participate in JSTOR's Arts & Sciences VIII Collection are able to browse, search, download and print the full-text PDF versions of all past articles from the first issue in 1917, up until the most recent three years of publication.

The *Georgia Historical Quarterly* is one of the premier state historical journals in the United States, published quarterly by the Georgia Historical Society. The *Quarterly* publishes the finest scholarly articles on Georgia history and book reviews dealing with all aspects of southern and Georgia history. The Georgia Historical Society has published the *Quarterly* since 1917. Critically-acclaimed over the years by scholars and history-enthusiasts alike, the *GHQ* has been recognized by the governor of Georgia with a Governor's Award in the Humanities.



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Tuesday - Friday, Noon - 5 p.m. ■ First and third Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.