



## **HSF TO HOST GUEST SPEAKER KATHERINE MALONE-FRANCE OF NATIONAL TRUST AT NOV. 9 ANNUAL MEETING**

**SAVANNAH, GA. – NOV. 1, 2021** – Historic Savannah Foundation will host its annual meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 at The Savannah Repertory Theatre, located at 402 E. Broughton St. Katherine Malone-France, Chief Preservation Officer of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, will speak during the meeting as part of the Louise Laretti Lecture Series.

This event, which is free and open to the public, will offer important updates about Historic Savannah Foundation as CEO and President Sue Adler delivers the annual report, unveils the organization's strategic plans, and talks about the election of new members and officers to the Board of Trustees. The annual meeting is designed to inform attendees while encouraging new members to join and existing members to renew their support of Historic Savannah Foundation's work and initiatives. A light reception with refreshments in the Davenport House garden will follow.

Prior to assuming her role as the Chief Preservation Officer of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Malone-France served as the Senior Vice President for Historic Sites at the National Trust, leading its portfolio of 28 historic sites around the country to provide expansive and sustainable public benefit as they model exemplary preservation, collections management, and interpretation. Her tenure included the creation of a dedicated fund to support historic gardens and landscapes at National Trust historic sites and successful completion of a \$21 million campaign to address critical capital projects across the portfolio of sites. She holds a Master's in Historic Preservation from the College of Environment & Design at the University of Georgia.

"We are honored to welcome our next Louise Laretti lecturer, Katherine Malone-France, and look forward to an enlightening evening of shared knowledge, inspirational experiences and insights on historic preservation," said HSF CEO and President Sue Adler. "Being able to hold our annual meeting in person this year is a privilege. Engaging with our future and current membership is something we've really missed over the last year and a half, so we're excited to share information and update our guests on HSF's bright future."

Historic Savannah Foundation, a leading nonprofit preservation and cultural institution, saves buildings, places, and stories that define Savannah's past, present and future. Following its formation in 1955, the nonprofit organization started a Revolving Fund to save endangered historic properties – now totaling over 400 buildings – throughout several Savannah local historic districts. HSF is committed to continuing to build capacity within HSF's operations, secure new financial resources, improve HSF's image and visibility, and increase public policy efforts to protect Savannah's historic districts.

For more information about the annual meeting or HSF, please visit [www.myHSF.org](http://www.myHSF.org).

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