

## HISTORIC SAVANNAH FOUNDATION SLATED TO HOST PRESERVATION AWARDS ON MAY 5

**SAVANNAH, GA – April 15, 2022** – Historic Savannah Foundation will kick off its monthlong celebration of preservation in May with the annual Historic Preservation Awards at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 5 at the Charles H. Morris Center, located at 10 E. Broad St. HSF will present awards to individuals and organizations whose contributions demonstrate excellence in preservation in Savannah and Chatham County. The event – designed to let attendees enjoy a fun, celebratory evening amongst friends – will include cocktails, a food truck, and plenty of networking opportunities.

Previous Historic Preservation Award winners have included Plant Riverside, the Starland Rehabilitation Project, the Mercer Williams House, and the Ward Mausoleum in Laurel Grove Cemetery, among many others. In addition to the Preservation Awards given out to individuals, organizations and projects, HSF will also present the Nichola Parker Coe Volunteer of the Year Award.

"This will be such an enjoyable, relaxing evening – a classic Savannah night spent celebrating preservation, mingling, and sampling delicious food and drinks. HSF is excited to bring everyone together again to commemorate what makes our city so special," Events & Development Associate Colleen Reynolds said. "We hope you'll join us on May 5 for the fun!

Established in 1973 by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Preservation Month is cosponsored by local preservation groups, state historical societies, business and civic organizations across the country. Throughout May, many events are planned to promote historic places for the purpose of instilling national and community pride, promoting heritage tourism, and showing the social and economic benefits of historic preservation. In addition to the awards, HSF is also planning a Realtors' Historic Preservation Leadership Course and a Wine and Trolley Tour in May. HSF Preservation Month sponsors include: Corcoran Austin Hill Realty, United Community Bank, Felder & Associates, CS HURD Electrical Contracting, Landmark Preservation, Brooks Construction Group, LLC, Ethos Preservation, Ogeechee Heating & Air Inc, Cabretta Capital, Holton Plumbing, Tharpe Engineering Group, Carroll Construction, K Machine Industrial Services, and Wright Square Bistro. We thank our In-Kind Sponsors: The Green-Meldrim House, Alpha Graphics Savannah, Lesley Francis PR, Bay Street Cabaret and Savannah Bike Tours.

Tickets to the Preservation Awards are available for purchase by calling 912-233-7787 or visiting https://www.myhsf.org/events/. Anyone interested in becoming a sponsor or patron for Preservation Month events can call Colleen Reynolds 912-233-7787 or email <a href="mailto:creynolds@myhsf.org">creynolds@myhsf.org</a>

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 organization started a Revolving Fund to save endangered historic properties, now totaling nearly 410 buildings throughout several of Savannah's historic districts. HSF continues to build capacity within its operations, secure new financial resources, improve its image and visibility, and increase public policy efforts to protect Savannah's historic districts. For more information about the work of the Historic Savannah Foundation, visit www.myhsf.org.

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