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*Southern Garden
History Society*

ANNUAL MEETING
April 11- 13, 2008

The University of Georgia
Center for Continuing Education
Conference Center & Hotel

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Join us for the 2008 Southern Garden History Society's Annual Meeting to be held in Athens, Georgia, home of the University of Georgia. The conference will take place at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education Conference Center & Hotel, a conveniently located and moderately priced facility with excellent meeting facilities. *High Cotton and Tall Columns* will explore the influence of cotton on the architecture, gardens and landscapes of middle Georgia. The Athens area tour will include several Antebellum Greek Revival homes, University of Georgia's north campus, The State Botanical Garden of Georgia, and the state headquarters of The Garden Club of Georgia (a house museum).



Heritage Hall
c. 1832, Madison, Georgia

Also included will be a tour to nearby Madison, Georgia, "the town Sherman refused to burn!" Once called "the most cultured and aristocratic city on the stagecoach route from Charleston to New Orleans," Madison remains a historical and architectural Mecca with extensive examples of Antebellum, Victorian and Piedmont architecture and gardens. The optional Sunday tour to Milledgeville, Georgia, will include the Old Governor's Mansion, considered one of the finest examples of High Greek Revival architecture in the nation. Milledgeville, Georgia's fourth capital, served as the seat of government from 1803 to 1868. The Old Capitol Building is one of the first examples of Gothic Greek Revival architecture in the United States.

Registration is limited to the first 150 registrants, so register early.

About the Speakers

Jim Barfield is a retired history teacher and past President of the Middle Georgia Historical Society, Macon Heritage Foundation and Historic Macon Foundation. He is the author of three books including *Historic Macon* and a regular contributor to Macon Magazine with articles on antiques and architectural history.

James Cobb is the Spalding Distinguished Professor of History at the University of Georgia where he teaches courses in history and culture. He has written widely on the interaction between economy, society and culture in the American South and published a number of books including *Away Down South: A History of Southern Identity*.

Jim Cothran is Vice President of Robert and Company and Adjunct Professor at Georgia State University and the University of Georgia where he teaches graduate courses in historic landscapes and plants. A past president of the Southern Garden History Society, his books include *Gardens and Historic Plants of the Antebellum South*.

Rick Crown and **Richard Simpson** are co-owners of Madison Gardens in Madison, Georgia, and have been involved in the planting design, renovation and preservation of numerous historic gardens in the greater Madison area. Their own garden surrounding an 1890's clapboard house in Madison has been featured on HGTV.

Jeff Lewis is Director of The State Botanical Garden of Georgia and Professor of Horticulture at the University of Georgia. He has written and lectured widely on historic, heritage and heirloom plants and related subjects. He is Vice President of the Southern Garden History Society and regional coordinator for the American Public Gardens Association.

John Waters heads the historic preservation program in the School of Environmental Design at the University of Georgia. He is co-author of Georgia's Historic Preservation Act and was instrumental in founding the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation. He is the author of *Maintaining a Sense of Place: A Citizen's Guide to Historic Preservation*.

Carleton Wood is Executive Director of Hills & Dales Estate, the historic Fuller E. Callaway family home and garden in LaGrange, Georgia. Prior to accepting that position, he was Executive Director of the Elizabethan Gardens in Manteo, NC, and Head of Horticulture at Tryon Palace Historic Sites & Gardens in New Bern, NC.

Program

Friday, April 11

- 1:00- Registration
- 1:30-1:45 Welcome and announcements (Master's Auditorium)
- 1:45-2:30 *Was Cotton Really King? Wealth and Power in Nineteenth Century Georgia* - James Cobb
- 2:30-3:00 Athens/UGA Tour Highlights and Comments - John Waters
- 3:00-3:30 Break
- 3:30 Buses depart for local area tour
- 5:00 The State Botanical Garden of Georgia and Garden Club of Georgia tours
- 6:00 Cocktails and dinner (Visitor Center & Conservatory)
- Madison Tour Highlights and Comments - Rick Crown & Richard Simpson
- 7:30 Buses depart for Georgia Center

Saturday, April 12

- Breakfast on your own
- 8:00- Registration
- 8:30-9:15 *Greek Revival Architecture in Middle Georgia* - Jim Barfield
- 9:15-10:00 *Antebellum Gardens of Middle Georgia* - Jim Cothran
- 10:00-10:30 Break
- 10:30-11:00 *P. J. Berckmans and Fruitland Nurseries* - Jeff Lewis
- 11:00-11:30 *Cotton Farming, Mill Villages and Fancy Parterres: The Woven Landscapes of LaGrange, Georgia* - Carleton Wood
- 11:30-12:00 SGHS Business Meeting and Invitation to 2009 Annual Meeting
- 12:15-1:15 Lunch (Banquet Area)
- 1:30 Buses depart for Madison house & garden tour
- 2:00-6:00 Madison house & garden tour
- 6:00 Reception and dinner (Madison-Morgan Cultural Center)
- 7:30 Buses depart for Athens

Sunday, April 13 (Optional post-conference tour)

- Breakfast on your own
- 8:30 Buses depart for Milledgeville garden tour
- 10:00 Milledgeville house & garden tour
- 12:00 Lunch, tour and lecture at Old Governor's Mansion
- 1:30 Milledgeville house & garden tour continues
- 3:30 Buses depart for Athens
- 5:00 Return to Athens
- Dinner on your own

Additional Information

Sponsor: The Southern Garden History Society in cooperation with The State Botanical Garden of Georgia and the Friends of The State Botanical Garden of Georgia. The Georgia Center for Continuing Education Conference Center & Hotel is the host hotel for the conference.

Who should attend: Historic preservationists, preservation commission members, landscape architects, planners, garden club members, historic house and garden administrators and staff, horticulturists and individuals interested in heirloom plants, historic preservation, historic gardens and garden history.

Lodging: A block of rooms is being held at the Georgia Center until 5:00 p.m., March 19, 2008. You must cancel your reservation by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to your scheduled arrival to avoid being charged one night's room and tax. A full-service living and learning environment, the Georgia Center includes a 200-room hotel, restaurants, banquet areas, conference rooms, auditoriums, a fitness center, and computer labs— all under one roof. For more information, visit www.georgiacenter.uga.edu. Note: The Georgia Center is a smoke-free building; all lodging rooms are nonsmoking.

Travel Information: Athens, Georgia, is located about 60 miles northeast of Atlanta. For directions, see www.georgiacenter.uga.edu. Athens is served by two airports. Athens-Ben Epps Airport offers connecting flights to and from Charlotte, NC. Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport is located about 90 minutes southwest of Athens, with scheduled ground shuttle service (www.aaairportexpress.com) and rental car service available between the airport and the Georgia Center. A list of alternative lodging is available at www.visitathensga.com/stay_and_do/where_to_stay.

Transportation and parking: A parking deck is located adjacent to the Center (hourly rates, maximum \$8 each 24-hour period; vehicle height limit, 7 feet). Free parking is available at The State Botanical Garden of Georgia. Shuttle/bus service will be available from the Georgia Center to the State Botanical Garden and for all tours. Regular bus service is not available to the State Botanical Garden, and it is not within walking distance from the Georgia Center. For driving directions to the Garden, see www.uga.edu/botgarden.

Program cancellation policies: Full refunds are available for cancellations made by 5:00 p.m., April 1, 2008. No refunds will be issued thereafter although substitutions will be allowed. If the program is cancelled for any reason, neither the Georgia Center, State Botanical Garden, nor Southern Garden History Society will be responsible for any charges related to travel.

Things to do and see: Visit the following web sites to learn about Athens, the University of Georgia and The State Botanical Garden of Georgia respectively— www.visitathensga.com, www.uga.edu, www.uga.edu/botgarden.

CEU credit: This conference will provide CEU credits for landscape architects in Georgia and North Carolina.

Dress: Casual attire will suffice for the annual meeting. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended for those participating in the tours. The average high temperature in April is 73 and average low 49. A light jacket or sweater and umbrella are recommended.

Special Needs: If you require special services, facilities, or dietary considerations, please contact Beverly Morton at 706-542-6138 or beverly@uga.edu at least one week prior to the conference.

For additional information: Call, write or e-mail SGHS, The State Botanical Garden of Georgia, 2450 South Milledge Avenue, Athens, GA 30605, 706-542-1244, garden@uga.edu.

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Registration Form

Your registration cannot be processed until payment is received. **You must be a member of the Southern Garden History Society to register.** Make checks payable to the **Friends of the Garden for SGHS registration.** Credit cards cannot be accepted for registration.

Early fee paid before 03/01/2008	\$275.00
Fee paid after 03/01/2008	\$300.00
Optional Sunday tour	\$50.00

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Hotel Reservation

Complete the following to request a room reservation at the Georgia Center Hotel. Mail to the address below or fax (800-884-1419). Or call toll-free (800-884-1381) to make reservations by phone. If your lodging preference is unavailable, the best alternative will be confirmed. Do not send checks for lodging until receipt of confirmation. A reservation must be guaranteed by a credit card at the time of the reservation or by an advance deposit within 14 days of the reservation confirmation.

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To become a member of the Southern Garden History Society, please return this form with your check to:
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