

GEORGIA
HISTORY FESTIVAL

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The Georgia History Festival



The *Georgia History Festival* is the signature K-12 educational program of the Georgia Historical Society. A variety of public programs, in-school events, and educational resources bring history to life for students of all ages and encourage Georgians to think critically about the world in which we live and the future we hope to build. The *Festival* culminates in February, the founding month of the Georgia Colony, with Founding City events like the popular Colonial Faire and Muster living history program held at Wormsloe State Historic Site, Savannah's colorful Georgia Day Parade, and the annual Trustees Gala.



From exploring Georgia's past...

Did you know?

For over 175 years, GHS has been collecting, examining, and teaching Georgia history.



Continuing a tradition that dates to earliest years of the Colony's founding, the *Georgia History Festival* provides families and students of all ages a variety of opportunities to explore and engage with the unique and diverse stories of Georgia's past and present, offering them the context, perspective, and wisdom to build a better future.



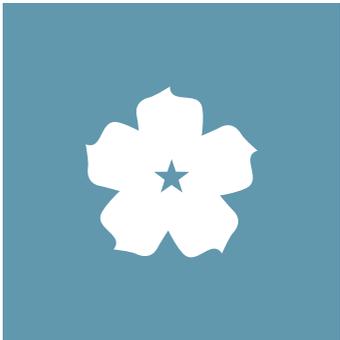
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To honoring
the leaders of today.

As part of the *Georgia History Festival*, the Georgia Historical Society, in conjunction with the Governor's Office, reestablished the Georgia Trustees in 2009 as a way of recognizing Georgians whose accomplishments and community service reflect the highest ideals of the founding body of Trustees. The original Georgia Trustees, a governing body chartered and appointed by His Majesty King George II of England in 1732 to establish a new colony in North America, founded Georgia upon the principle of *Non Sibi, Sed Aliis*, "Not for Self but for Others." The new Trustees, whose history-making accomplishments and service reflect the original Trustees' ideals, are inducted by the Governor at the annual Trustees Gala in February. Appointment as a Georgia Trustee is the highest honor the State of Georgia can confer.





Bringing history to life...



...in Schools

Interactive Programs

The *Georgia History Festival* is brought directly to students in classrooms across Georgia through engaging lessons and activities presented by GHS education staff.



Standards-Based Educational Resources

The annual *Georgia History Festival* uses a theme to direct the development of educational materials and programming throughout the *Festival*. The theme inspires the creation of original educational materials – available online and in print through specific project funding – that address the Georgia Standards of Excellence on a variety of grade levels.

...in the Community



History Education for the Whole Family

Living history events like the Colonial Faire and Muster at Wormsloe State Historic Site allow Georgia families to experience the everyday life of colonial times through historical interpretation, cannon firings, demonstrations of cooking and craft techniques, and music and dance.

Did you know?

Museums and historic sites across the state offer free admission during the *Festival's* Super Museum Sunday!



Public Lectures

Each year, the *Festival* includes a traditional scholarly lecture sharing new perspectives and scholarship on the chosen theme with general audiences.



...for Teachers



Educator Training

Professional development initiatives focused on raising teacher content knowledge and providing relevant tools and resources for Georgia's teachers are an important part of the *Georgia History Festival*.



Did you know?

The Georgia Historical Society offers free high-quality lesson plans and primary source sets aligned to the Georgia Standards for Excellence.

GHS regularly coordinates professional development opportunities for educators across Georgia and the nation.

...for Students

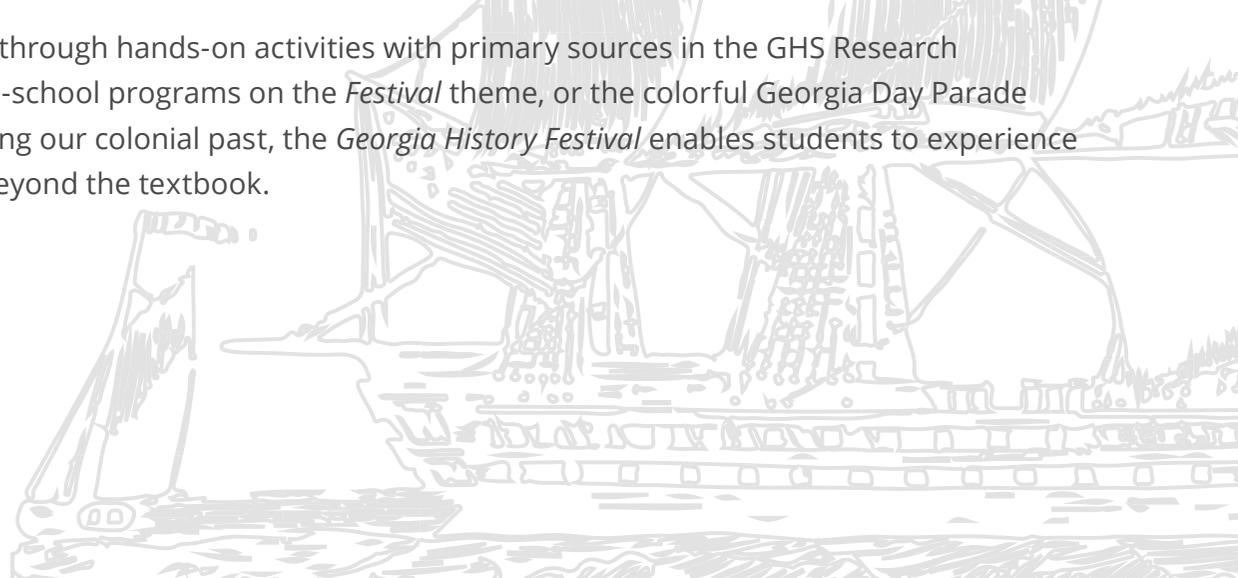


Did you know?

Educational resources developed for the *Festival* are available year-round through the GHS website, georgiahistory.com!



Whether through hands-on activities with primary sources in the GHS Research Center, in-school programs on the *Festival* theme, or the colorful Georgia Day Parade highlighting our colonial past, the *Georgia History Festival* enables students to experience history beyond the textbook.





The Trustees Gala

The Trustees Gala is the Georgia Historical Society's premiere annual event and the culmination of the *Georgia History Festival*. Each year, this elegant and much-anticipated evening draws top local, state, and national leaders to honor and pay tribute to the best the State of Georgia has produced.



Did you know?

The annual Trustees Gala is held at the location of Oglethorpe's original 1733 landing in Savannah!





Non Sibi, Sed Aliis

Not for Self but for Others

The original Trustees who founded the colony of Georgia in 1733 adopted *Non Sibi, Sed Aliis* as their motto. The Latin phrase means "not for self, but for others." By supporting the *Georgia History Festival*, you continue that noble tradition of service over self.

Georgia History Festival sponsorship allows you to directly impact over 100,000 students and citizens across our state as we bring history to life in exciting and engaging ways. Through your involvement with this unique educational program, you will help us spark the imagination, inspire critical thinking, and open the exciting world of the past to exploration, study, and understanding.

Join us as we explore the past to create a better future!

About the Georgia Historical Society

Georgia Historical Society (GHS) is the premier independent statewide institution responsible for collecting, examining, and teaching Georgia history. GHS houses the oldest and most distinguished collection of materials related exclusively to Georgia history in the nation.

Founded in 1839, the Georgia Historical Society is the oldest continuously operated historical society in the South. As an educational and research institution, GHS teaches Georgia history through a variety of educational programs, scholarly publications, and research services. It publishes the award-winning *Georgia Historical Quarterly* (Georgia's journal of record since 1917), operates a Research Center, manages the Historical Marker Program for the State of Georgia, and organizes the annual K-12 education program *Georgia History Festival*. Headquartered in Savannah with an office in Atlanta, GHS has over 6,000 members and nearly 150 affiliates in 70 counties.

For news about the *Georgia History Festival*, please visit georgiahistoryfestival.org.

For more information about the Georgia Historical Society and sponsorship opportunities, visit georgiahistory.com or call the Development Office at 912-651-2125 ext. 116 or 404-382-5410 ext. 116.

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