

ARCHAEOLOGY OFFICE

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The Archaeology Office originated as the Division of Archaeology formed in 1968 under the Maryland Geological Survey (Chapter 541, Acts of 1968). In 1990, archaeological functions of the Survey were combined with the archaeology staff of the Maryland Historical Trust, and the Division was reformed as the Archaeology Office within the Maryland Historical Trust (Chapter 57, Acts of 1990).

The Office directs Maryland archaeological research, synthesizes research data, and promotes further research. The Office participates in the excavation of significant historical or archaeological sites that are in the custody or control of a State agency and coordinates the retrieval and preservation of objects of archaeological significance discovered during the course of any public construction in the State. The Office also encourages preservation of prehistoric or historic sites located on private property.

Publishing reports of its research and investigations, the Office makes exhibits available to schools to teach students about the manner of life of the natives and early settlers of Maryland. For museums, institutions of higher education, and scientific or historical institutions, the Office makes available objects and materials that show the archaeological history of the State and helps these institutions preserve and protect archaeological items in their custody. In addition, the Office trains interested members of the public to identify, investigate, and register terrestrial archaeological historic property.

The head of the Office is the Chief Archaeologist (Code 1957, Art. 83B, secs. 5-622 through 5-627).

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ARCHAEOLOGY

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Formerly under the Maryland Geological Survey, the Advisory Committee on Archaeology was transferred to the Maryland Historical Trust in 1990 (Chapter 57, Acts of 1990). The Committee advises and assists the Archaeology Office on archaeological matters and reviews policies, plans, rules, and regulations concerned with archaeological matters.

The Committee's seven members are appointed to three-year terms by the Governor upon recommendation of the Secretary of Housing and Community Development and with Senate advice and consent.

OFFICE OF RESEARCH, SURVEY, &
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The Office of Research, Survey, and Registration was created in 1989 to direct the Division's historical, architectural and archeological research. The Office is organized into three units: Survey and Research, Evaluation and Registration, and Information Management and Library Services.

The Survey and Research Unit maintains the historical and archeological components of the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties. The Unit helps design and implement local survey projects, and provides inventory data for the Office and local government planners.

The Evaluation and Registration Unit conducts historic resource registration programs, including the Maryland Register of Historic Properties and the National Register of Historic Places. The Unit staffs the Maryland Historic Markers Program and Fund and provides technical assistance to the Governor's Commission on Maryland Military Monuments, the Commission to Save the Lighthouses, and the Maryland Civil War Heritage Commission.

The Information Management and Library Services Unit consolidates separate libraries and the information and records management programs administered by previously separate units. The Unit carries out Division computerization and a long-term program for microfilming and electronic storage of archival and record materials.

GOVERNOR'S CONSULTING COMMITTEE ON THE
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

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The Governor formed this committee in 1967 to carry out terms of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-665). The law requires the State to nominate properties for the National Register of Historic Places. These nominations must be reviewed by the Consulting Committee before they are submitted to the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior.

COMMISSION ON AFRICAN-AMERICAN
HISTORY & CULTURE

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