

MUSEUM MUSINGS

The Summerville Dorchester Museum is an educational organization dedicated to preserving the historical significance of Summerville and Dorchester County. Its mission is to collect, preserve and exhibit artifacts and to develop educational programs relating to the cultural and natural history of the Summerville and Dorchester County area of South Carolina.

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH



Kid's Club, June 16: Our guest was Officer Tara Burke and her canine partner, Apart. We learned all about Apart and his duties. He even demonstrated some of them. We also got to get our picture taken with Officer Burke and apart.



Baker's Tea & Talk, June 28: Dr. West gave us a brief history on Summerville and the first years of the Civil War here.

What's Happening in July

Jun 30 – Jul 7:

Week of Independence: Events sponsored by museums in the Charleston/Summerville area. Our museum will feature an exhibit about the black cowboys and the 35th colored regiment that helped rebuild Summerville following the Civil War. Talk by Dr. West to be scheduled.

Jul 5 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Personal accounts of persons successfully escaping slavery in the Lowcountry are rare. Such an account, first published in 1838 in a Maine abolitionist journal, has become the subject of academic research. It describes an individual born on a plantation a few miles west of Summerville. This young man lived as a "maroon" in Four Holes Swamp before hiding on the train bound for Charleston and ultimately stowing away on a ship with passage to Boston. It is quite a tale.

Jul 7 10:00 pm – 3:00 pm

6th Annual History Fair at Magnolia Plantation. The museum will have a table there. The exhibits are free but the gardens and mansion cost the regular price. See the article in this newsletter.

Jul 21 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Kid's Club: Come and learn about the fossils found in Summerville and South Carolina. Cost is \$2.

Museum Information:

Address:
100 East Doty Avenue,
Summerville, SC 29483

Phone:
843-875-9666

HOURS

Tuesday - Saturday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed Sunday and Monday

Admission: \$5 ages 13+
\$2 ages 4 – 13
Free for children under 4

WEBSITE:

www.summervilledorchestermuseum.org

Become a Member:

Individual: \$15
Family: \$25

Magnolia Plantation and Gardens

6th Annual History Fair

Saturday, July 7 - 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Dozens of organizations that promote history in the Lowcountry will participate in the 6th Annual History Fair. This event will showcase well-known organizations in education, religion, social services, the arts and tourism. This event is free to the public. Paid admission is required to see the gardens and to participate in the Living History program



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