



# Newsletter

June 2022

DCPL is 50! Celebrate with a gift today!

## A Successful 50th Anniversary Celebration!



On May 20th, over 250 members, volunteers, and supporters gathered on the rooftop terrace of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library to celebrate 50-years of the DC Preservation League! Following a short program, which included a video covering the history of DCPL and a speech by Don't Tear It Down founder, Alison Owings, attendees enjoyed the warm spring weather, cocktails and wine, dinner, and great conversation. If you were unable to attend, please see the below links to download the event program, view photos from the event, and watch the anniversary video.

[Event Program](#)

[Event Photos](#)

[Watch the Video](#)

Happy Pride from the DC Preservation League!



Landmarks Update

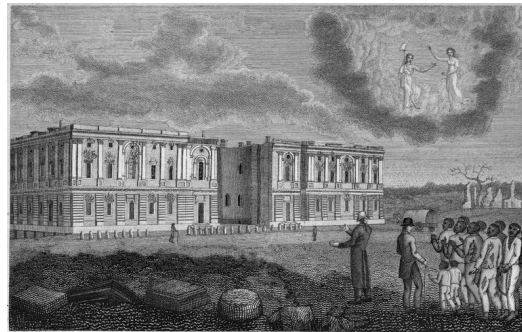


On May 26th, the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) voted unanimously to designate the [Uptown Theater](#), an iconic building in Cleveland Park. The theater is now listed in the DC Inventory, and the nomination has been forwarded to the National Register.

Since 1987, the Streamline Moderne movie theater -- designed by the renowned and prolific architect John J. Zink, and completed in 1936 -- has been a contributing structure within the Cleveland Park Historic District. However, it was not individually landmarked. Thus, in October 2020, DCPL and the Cleveland Park Historical Society submitted a historic landmark nomination for the theater, which is beloved throughout Washington and beyond. This [nomination](#) provides key information about the theater's historical, cultural, and architectural significance that had not been previously recognized. In voting to designate, HPRB "requested that the nomination first be revised with a discussion of racial segregation and desegregation of the facility, and that the issue of the parking lot behind the building be clarified." DCPL will be providing this information to the Historic Preservation Office in the coming weeks.

DCPL is thankful to the [Cleveland Park Historical Society](#) and the [Art Deco Society of Washington](#) for their enthusiastic support!

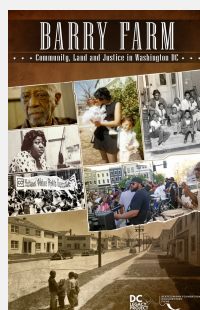
#### Capital City Slavery: Historically preserved sites of enslavement in Washington, DC



With **Juneteenth** on June 19th, please visit DC Preservation League's new StoryMap and DC Historic Sites Tour, which take a detailed look at enslavement in the District and how it shaped the city's built environment, including many well-known historic landmarks. This project, which covers 25 sites, was developed by DCPL's 2021-2022 Fellow, Shae Corey, who graduated in May 2022 from American University with an MA in Public History.

[StoryMap](#)

[DC Historic Sites Tour](#)



#### *Barry Farm: Community, Land & Justice in Washington, DC*

Film screening and panel discussion on Saturday, June 18th at 4 pm at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library Auditorium.

This event is hosted by [Empower DC](#). The film was produced in partnership with the [DC Legacy Project](#) and [Bertelsmann Foundation Documentary Films](#).

[RSVP Here](#)

#### Upcoming Events: Mark Your Calendar!

- **September 9:** Realtor Seminar - Historic Preservation 101/201
- **October 1:** Annual Crab Feast
- **November 1:** 2022 District of Columbia Awards for Excellence in Historic Preservation; [click below to nominate](#)

Now Accepting Nominations

# 2022 District of Columbia Awards for Excellence in Historic Preservation



Deadline: Friday, July 15, 2022 at 6PM

DC Preservation Awards Nomination  
Form

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