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# NATIONAL HERITAGE AREAS Recreation in the NHAs

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## NHA Programs Share 2020 Accomplishments

### 2020 BY THE NUMBERS



## Surfing the Delta Breeze

Of all the recreational jewels in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta NHA in California, perhaps most surprising is its international renown for windsurfing. Sherman Island County Park is a coveted location for wind enthusiasts of every stripe. The famed "Delta Breeze" blows nearly continuously from May through August, is ideal for windsurfers, kite surfers, and foil boarders. The fierce winds accelerate you to the speed of a muscle car. On a typical summer day there can be well over 100 sailors plying a three mile stretch of the Sacramento River. The Montezuma Hills are a backdrop for the multi-colored kites and sails zigzagging across the expanse of open water appear stark and thrilling.

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# Engaging BIPOC on the Delaware & Lehigh Trail

Diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI)



PA Greenways & Trails Summit Comes to Erie in September

The 2021 Greenways & Trails Summit

is an important topic in outdoor recreation, especially after the spotlight given to racial injustice in the past year. Working to create a more diverse, equitable and inclusive future, the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor partnered with Afros in Nature (AiN) and the Coalition for Appropriate Transportation (CAT) to sponsor two bike ride events which facilitated access and promoted joy on the D&L Trail.

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will be held at the Erie Bayfront Convention Center in Erie, PA September 19-21. The Oil Region Alliance is pleased to be a sponsor and participant. The Summit's theme i s Blue, Green & Everything in Between: Connecting PA's Land and Water Trails. Over the course of 3 days, the summit will offer dozens of educational sessions, 4-5 mobile seminars including one in the Oil Region National Heritage Area.

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# COMING UP

Exploring Nature in the Freedom's Way National Heritage Area Virtual speaker Series May 12, 19, and 26, 2021

#### **Transformative Tools: A Practicum in Digital**

**Engagement for Heritage Keepers** by the Greater Hudson Heritage Network. Series 2: All About Audio: Digital Recording, Editing, and Creating Audio Tours and Exhibits. *May 5- June 9*. Live Zoom Meetings *-May 19 and June 9 at 1:00 pm ET* 

May, Historic Preservation Month Webinar National Park Service National Register (NR) and National Historic Landmarks (NHL) Program staff Q/A Sessions *May 19 at 3:00 pm ET*.

#### C2 Connected Conservation Webinar Series

National Park Service monthly webinar series highlights specific tools that a park, NPS program, or an external partner might use to further landscape-scale conservation.

#### IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

C2 Coastal Conservation in National Heritage Areas - April 20, 2021 recorded session

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **Interpretive Training**

- <u>Free and Low-Cost (\$59) Interpretive</u> <u>Training Courses</u>
- Foundations of Interpretation Competencies
  <u>Manual</u>
- <u>National Association for Interpretation</u>





#### **Certification**

#### Internship Programs - no cost and low cost

- <u>NPS Youth Programs</u>
- <u>Americorps</u>
- <u>NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps)</u>
- <u>The Student Conservation Association</u>
- <u>Work-Study Internships Federal Student Aid</u>



## MONTHLY NPS THEMES

### SEE ALL THEMES HERE



May is Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Seattle's Chinatown Historic District has been the focal point of the city's Asian community since the early 20th century. Chinatown was the heart of the most extensive Asian community in Washington State and vitality of the district attracted thousands of immigrants to Seattle. Seattle is located within Maritime Washington NHA and Mountains to Sound Greenway NHA.

## BEST PRACTICES Learning from your NHA Colleagues

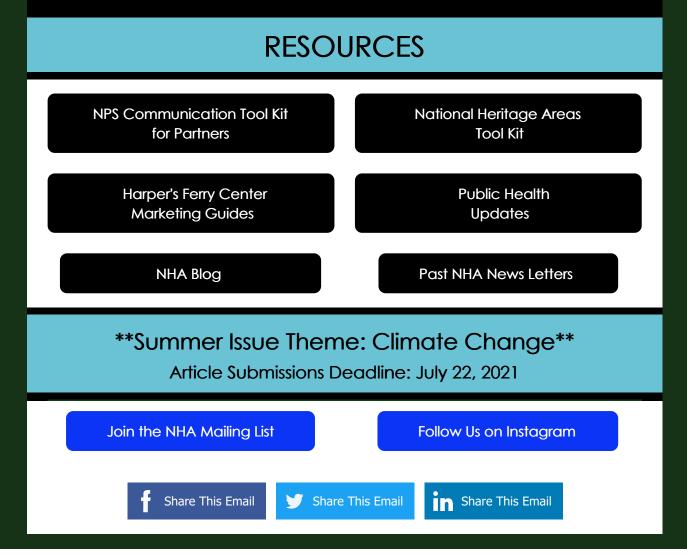
NHA Best Practices Recorded Meetings

Adaptive Cycling Events at Blackstone Heritage Corridor



The Cole family enjoys an adaptive cycling event along the Blackstone River Greenway on Rails-to-Trails Conservancy's "Celebrate Trails Day", presented by BHC. Photo by Kathy Parlante.

Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor (BHC) and partners, located in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, offer innovative adaptive cycling events which provide access to a fleet of specialized cycles allowing people with mobility challenges to explore trails. Seven free adaptive cycling events are offered and include four special Veterans-only programs, made possible by All Out Adventures (AOA). Three additional events are open to the public and made possible by the Network of the National Library of Medicine, New England Region. Learn more at **BlackstoneHeritageCorridor.org.** 



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