

COLLIN COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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Special 2023 Dates

Jan. 21: Coalition Meeting
Feb. 1-3: THC Conference
Feb. 6 – March 24: CCHC Grant Program

Mar. 18: CCHC Tour

Mar. 19: Deadline Photo Competition
Mar. 24: Deadline CCHC Grant Program
Apr. 7: Deadline PC Awards Nominations
Apr. 8: Coalition Meeting
Apr. 29: CCHC Preservation Celebration Celina
Jul. 15: Coalition Meeting
Jul. 17: Deadline Essay Competition
Aug. 31: CCHC Meeting – Election of Officers
Sept. 28: CCHC Meeting – Planning for 2024
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Collin County Historical Commission News

Real Places 2023 Conference

February 1-3, 2023

Doubletree by Hilton, Austin

THC.Texas.Gov - Texas Historical Commission

This year, Real Places will be available to both **in-person and virtual attendees.**

2023 CCHC Grant Program

The 2023 Collin County Historical Commission Grant Funding Program review process starts Feb. 6 and goes through March 24, 2023.

The Grant program originated in 2009, chaired by CCHC member, Larry Collins, to give small historical groups within the county an opportunity to further preserve the history of Collin County. Projects vary from small dollar amounts to larger ticket items that are completed over a number of years and several grants.

The grant requests may range from \$250 to \$5000. The number of applicants each year also determines the amount granted. The requirements to apply for a grant are few:

1. One requirement is to be designated as a 501(c)(3) (for nonprofit status) or 501(c)(13) (for cemetery designation).
2. Another requirement is all applicants must be in good standing as participating members of the Collin County Historical Coalition, an organization of all private and public heritage groups in the county, which is sponsored by the Collin County Historical Commission (CCHC).
3. The last qualification to be eligible to apply for a grant is to attend the mandatory meeting. For the 2023 Grant Program, the date is Monday, February 6, 2023, from 7-9 p.m. at the Heard-Craig Carriage House at 205 W Hunt, McKinney.

For more information about the process, please refer to the Grant Application on the CCHC website.

Go to www.collincountytx.gov/historical_commission/initiatives for details.

All Ages CCHC Photography Competition

The Collin County Historical Commission is hosting a photography competition open to all k-12 students and adults on the following topic:

Take a photo of a piece of Collin County history you think may disappear in the next 5 to 10 years.

Winning submissions will be chosen from each of the following categories: elementary grades, middle school grades, high school, and adult. Winners will be recognized and will win prizes. Maximum of 3 submissions per person.

For student submissions: Along with your high-resolution photo, please include your name, age, grade, school, a parent contact, the location of your photo and a statement of at least a few sentences describing your picture.

For adult submissions: Along with your high-resolution photo, please include your name, the location of your photo and a statement of at least a few sentences describing your picture.

Email your submission to CCHCsubmissions@gmail.com by 11:59pm on Sunday, March 19, 2023.

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Heritage Farmstead of Plano

The Heritage Farmstead Museum (HFM) is the premiere living history site interpreting the Texas Blackland Prairie region in North Texas. The Mission of the HFM is to collect, preserve and interpret late 19th and early 20th century Blackland Prairie history while making appropriate use of authentically restored Farrell-Wilson Farmstead, a designated historical site.

Built in 1891, in a region of rich Blackland Prairie soil by Hunter Farrell for his wife Mary Alice and daughter Ammie, what is now known as the Heritage Farmstead Museum was a pretentious, yet practical, farmhouse. Its elaborate jigsaw trim was characteristic of the time; wrap-around porches and north-south orientation with opposing doorways satisfied the need for shade and cross-ventilation in a period before air conditioning. Together with three barns and several outbuildings on a 365-acre spread, this homestead was definitely a showplace.

The Museum is open Thursday through Saturday from 10am -2pm.

Admissions:
Ages 3 and up: \$5 per guest

Heritage Farmstead
1900 West 15th Street
Plano, Texas 65075



Heritage Association of Frisco

The Heritage Association of Frisco (HAF) was incorporated in the state of Texas as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in 1998 and is run today by an all-volunteer staff.

The Association partners with the City of Frisco, Texas, mainly through the Frisco Heritage Museum and Center, and our current membership is approximately 150 members composed of individuals, families, and businesses. We welcome anyone interested in embracing the past, present, and future of our great city. The Heritage Association of Frisco's mission is to research, preserve, and share Frisco's rich heritage in a manner that honors the past, builds a bridge between generations, and leaves a legacy for the future.

The Frisco Heritage Center is located just east of the Frisco City Hall and Library on Page Street. The Center is located on approximately four acres of City property adjacent to the BNSF Railroad and contains 8 structures plus a steam locomotive and wooden caboose. A visit to the Heritage Center gives you a glimpse of what life was like for the earliest settlers of this area – how they lived, worked, and played. Take a stroll through the site or enjoy the view from the gazebo, we invite you to come and see a piece of history.



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