

Weekly Vieux - May 3, 2019

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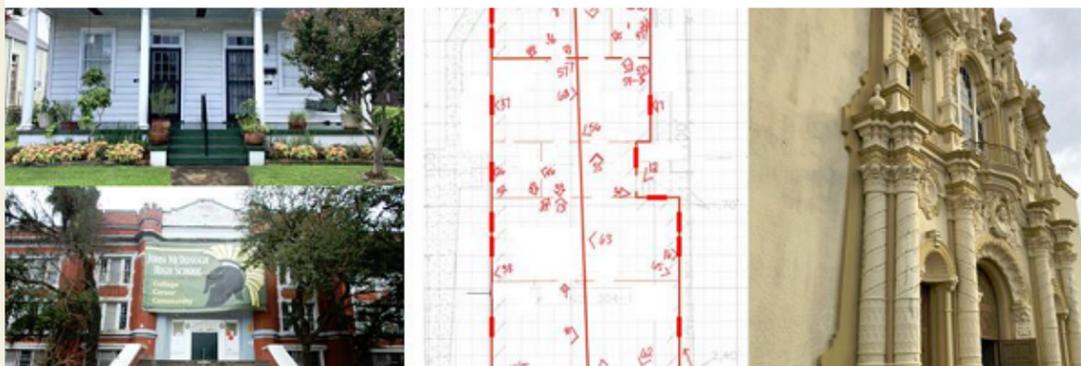


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Historic Tax Credits: the Economics and Practice of Preservation

Tuesday, May 7
 Beauregard-Keyes House
 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

VCPORA and the [Beauregard-Keyes House](#) are excited to welcome you to our next installment of our [Tricentennial Lecture](#) series. Next up, we are featuring an [informative look](#) at the State Historic Tax Credit program featuring [James Rolf](#), Director of Planning and Preservation for the Louisiana [Recovery School District](#). [Daniel Hammer](#), Deputy Director/Vice President of the [Historic New Orleans Collection](#), will make a special appearance to discuss the recent \$38 million expansion at the Collection as a case study.

Reception begins at 5:30 p.m. and the lecture begins at 6:00 p.m. Please note that there there will be no reservations. Seating is first come, first serve, and will be limited to 75 guests. There will be a suggested donation of \$5.

Did you know that Louisiana's Historic Tax Credit has attracted more than \$3.7 billion of investment in the rehabilitation of historic buildings over the last decade making our state a national leader in historic preservation? As our Louisiana leaders are examining its renewal during this legislative session, now is a great time to learn about this vital economic development tool - from its successes here in the French Quarter and around the state, to usable information on beginning your own historic renovation project.



GiveNOLA Day

Tuesday, May 7th is Give NOLA Day, hosted by [the Greater New Orleans Foundation](#). This one-day online giving event inspires people to give to the non-profit of their choice – and we hope VCPORA is yours! Every dollar donated from midnight to midnight on May 7th will be increased with additional “lagniappe” dollars provided by the Greater New Orleans Foundation and the generous Give NOLA Day sponsors. For more information on how to give, visit our profile at www.givenola.org/vcpora.



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HELP REMOVE GRAFFITI IN OUR
HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD!

Graffiti Abatement Program

Saturday, May 11
NOPD 8th District
9:00 a.m. - noon

The [French Quarter Business Association](#)'s all-volunteer graffiti cleanup is Saturday, May 11, 2019. Volunteers will check in at the NOPD 8th District Courtyard and remove stickers and small tags from public property in assigned areas. Volunteers are advised to wear protective eye wear, long sleeves, work clothes, and comfortable walking shoes. Fresh coffee and warm beignets will be provided by Cafe Beignet New Orleans and a post-clean up catered lunch will be provided by Bourbon Vieux. Interested in joining? Sign up [online](#) or by emailing graffiti@fqba.org.



Mother's Day Concert & Picnic

featuring the
New Leviathan
Oriental Foxtrot Orchestra
and special guests
Homer A. Plessy Middle School Orchestra

Cabrini Park at Dauphine & Barracks
Sunday, May 12 2019 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

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Mother's Day Concert & Picnic

Sunday, May 12
Cabrini Park - Dauphine and Barracks

4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Bring Mom, a picnic basket, lawn chairs, blankets, and your dancing shoes to Cabrini Park for an afternoon of fun! This [Mother's Day](#), enjoy the sounds of American revivalist orchestra ensemble [New Leviathan Oriental Foxtrot Orchestra](#), and enjoy an opening performance by special guests, the Homer A. Plessy Middle School Orchestra. Don't forget the playground and face-painting for the kids. Interested in volunteering? Contact us at info@vcpora.org.

The 22nd Annual Mother's Day Concert & Picnic is VCPORA's gift to the community. This event is free and open to the public. Although we love them, please leave the pets at home. Please note that the park will be closed Sunday so that we may clean & set up for the event. Pictures from last year's event can be found on our [website](#). Special thanks to [Homer A. Plessy Community School](#), [NORDC](#), [Harold's Plants](#), [NOPD Office of Police Secondary Employment](#), our members, and presenting sponsor [Latter & Blum](#)!



French Quarter Improvement Fund

Allocations for the \$1.9 million French Quarter Improvement Fund have been announced for 2019. [Created in 2016](#), the French Quarter Improvement Fund uses money collected from the Convention and Visitors Bureau Hotel Assessment to address matters of "public safety and law enforcement; quality of life enforcement measures, code enforcement measures, and violation identification, ticketing and court measures relative to ordinance compliance; sanitation; infrastructure repair or improvements; and lighting." Allocations are determined by the Mayor's Office, the Chief Administrative Office, Code Enforcement, Sanitation, Public Works, Finance, the Vieux Carre Commission, and the City Planning Commission.

This year, Parks and Parkways have requested \$68,438 for storage and landscaping improvements to Jackson Square. Sanitation has requested \$744,507 for additional trash cans, graffiti removal, sidewalk cleaning, and the hiring of 2 NOPD officers to address code violations in the French Quarter. The Department of Public Works has requested \$670,000 for street lighting in 56 locations. The Health Department has requested \$415,000 in staffing and equipment for its [Sobering Center](#) and [LEAD Program](#). The Chief Administrative Office has requested \$55,000 for a Management Development Analyst to oversee and report on the usage of these funds. A specific breakdown of allocations can be found [here](#). Questions? Follow up online or over the phone with the [District C office](#).

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