

October 24, 2018

Dear Friend of the SCHS:

On September 22, the South Carolina Historical Society reopened the Fireproof Building as a museum to further engage our state in its rich history. The facility holds the story of South Carolina going back to the seventeenth century. Early immigrants, Native Americans, enslaved Africans, and women are all depicted with interactive exhibits sharing their important histories. With the reopening, the society's documents, visual materials, and artifacts are now more accessible to all citizens, including school groups.

The building tells another important story—that of architect Robert Mills, who designed the Washington Monument and numerous South Carolina public buildings in addition to the Fireproof Building. Mills studied under James Hoban, designer of the White House, and also created the first official portfolio of maps of our state, the 1825 Mills Atlas. He would be proud of the recognition given by the exhibits that are now displayed in his remarkable building.

You can be proud that the donation-funded renovation was completed at a reasonable cost and that the Fireproof Building is a great credit to our state and city as the newest member of Charleston's Museum Mile. The SCHS has never been more accessible, and the museum has great potential as an event space ideally located in the heart of the historic district.

Please continue helping us reach new heights, especially now as we grow into our place in sharing South Carolina's story. Give to the 2018 Annual Appeal.

If history is important, and I believe it is, it's because it inspires, excites, and gives context to our society. The members of our Board of Managers, representing districts throughout the state, invite you to visit the building and enjoy this exciting generational approach to telling the rich history of South Carolina.

With best wishes,

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Daniel Ravenel President, Board of Managers

## A Touch of History

With your support, we can continue engaging new audiences in South Carolina history!

## South Carolina

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Young visitors enjoy the interactive map table in the new South Carolina Historical Society Museum.

As a small token of appreciation for your support of \$500 or more, we are offering this one hundred-piece puzzle based on an 1827 map in the South Carolina Historical Society collections. Created by artist Anthony Finley, the map shows the various counties of South Carolina as well as rivers, roads, canals, and some topographical features.



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## Give the gift of South Carolina Historical Society membership.

The South Carolina Historical Society is a private, nonprofit organization that depends upon the generosity of its members to preserve and extend awareness of South Carolina history. All levels of membership include:

- Subscriptions to *Carologue* and the *South Carolina Historical Magazine*
- Online access to back issues of SCHS publications
- Access to the Member Library at the Fireproof Building
- Discounts on merchandise, photocopies, and research services
- Discounted admission to lectures and events

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