

Negro Travelers' Green Book program at the New Castle Court House Museum on March 16, 2019

(DOVER, Del.—March 6, 2019)—On Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 1 p.m., the [New Castle Court House Museum](#), located at 211 Delaware St. in New Castle, Del., will present “Preserving African-American History in Delaware: Highlighting Vibrant Communities Through Research and the ‘Green Book,’ ” a presentation by historian Carlton Hall of the [Delaware State Historic Preservation Office](#) on the “Green Book,” a travel and vacation guidebook for people of color during the segregation era. The program will also explore the stories of African-Americans and their challenges living through the [Jim Crow](#) laws in Delaware from the 1920s to the 1960s. Admission is free and open to the public. For additional information, call 302-323-4453.



The Green Book,
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Carlton Hall grew up in New Castle and is a graduate of William Penn High School. He now lives in Bear with his wife and three children. He earned a master's degree in historic preservation from Delaware State University in 2013 and began his tenure at the State Historic Preservation Office in 2015. In 2018, he was named to the National Trust for Historic Preservation's "[40 Under 40](#)" list for his research and presentations about [Delaware listings in the Green Book](#). "40 Under 40: People Saving Places" honors individuals under the age of 40 across the United States who are working to support the mission of historic preservation through fields such as

architecture, community activism and business.



Carlton Hall

Constructed in 1732, the New Castle Court House is one of the oldest active court buildings in the United States and was Delaware's first state capitol. Here, the Colonial Assembly passed the 1776 Separation Resolution creating the Delaware State. During its nearly 300 years of history, this National Historic Landmark has played pivotal roles in the political, social and commercial life of both New Castle and Delaware. The museum is a partner site in the [First State National Historical Park](#).



New Castle Court House Museum

The New Castle Court House Museum is administered by the [Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs](#), an agency of the State of Delaware. The division enhances Delaware's quality of life by preserving the state's unique historical heritage, fostering community stability and economic vitality and providing educational programs and assistance to the general public on Delaware history. The division's diverse array of services includes operation of five museums which are [accredited by the American Alliance of Museums](#), administration of the State Historic Preservation Office, conservation of the state's archaeological and historic-objects collections, operation of a conference center and management of historic properties across the state. Primary funding for division programs and services is provided by annual appropriations from the Delaware General Assembly and grants from the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, a federal agency. However, the contents and opinions expressed in the division's programs and services do not

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