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Southold Historical Museum Awarded NYSCA Capital Improvements Grant

SOUTHOLD, NY – Southold Historical Museum is pleased to announce it has been awarded a Capital Improvements Grant by the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) to "enhance cultural tourism along NYS Route 25 at the Maple Lane Campus in Southold, NY".

This grant is part of a capital project funding announcement by NYSCA, which totals over \$86 million to 134 capital projects across New York State.

"Our arts and culture sector is a powerhouse, inspiring the world with innovation and creativity," Governor Hochul said. "By investing in our museums, our theaters and our arts centers, we enrich our communities, strengthen local economies and improve tourism all over the State."

NYSCA Executive Director Erika Mallin said, "These transformative projects improve communities, drive tourism and foster innovation in the field. Thanks to the Governor and the Legislature's dedication to arts and culture, we are building a thriving future for our world-renowned creative sector. Congratulations to Southold Historical Museum, NYSCA is a proud supporter of your contributions to New York's arts and culture."

"We are honored to receive this grant," said Darren St. George, Executive Director of the Southold Historical Museum. "With the support of NYSCA, we can deepen our commitment to preserving the heritage of our region that connects our community to its roots. This support empowers us to keep local history alive for future generations. We extend our sincere thanks to NYSCA for making this possible."

The mission of the New York State Council on the Arts is to foster and advance the full breadth of New York State's arts, culture, and creativity for all. To support the ongoing recovery of the arts across New York State, the Council on the Arts will award over \$161 million in FY 2026, serving hundreds of arts organizations and artists across all 10 state regions. The Council on the Arts further advances New York's creative culture by convening leaders in the field and providing organizational and professional development opportunities and informational resources. Created by Governor Nelson Rockefeller in 1960 and continued with the support of Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature, the Council is an agency that is part of the Executive

Branch. For more information on NYSCA, please visit www.arts.ny.gov, and follow NYSCA's Facebook page, on X @NYSCArts and Instagram @NYSCouncilontheArt

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