



PRESERVATION MARYLAND

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Historic Preservation Research

Preservation Maryland, a nonprofit organization headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland, is soliciting proposals from qualified historians/architectural historians to conduct a comprehensive historical inquiry and produce a report on the history of alcohol production in the state of Maryland.

This report is part of a larger project, *Spirited History: Distilling, Brewing & Winemaking in Maryland*, which includes the publication of this report, along with hosting several public programs that raise awareness of this heritage industry and give attendees to learn more about modern manufacturing methods and trends.

Preservation Maryland requests that interested parties respond to the solicitation by **5PM ET on Friday, September 27, 2024.**

1. CLIENT

Preservation Maryland is a non-profit harnessing the power of historic places by revitalizing and reinvesting in communities, advocating, and building the historic trades workforce for the benefit of all Marylanders. To learn more, visit www.preservationmaryland.org.

2. PROJECT OVERVIEW

Supported through the Maryland Department of Commerce's Maryland Alcohol Manufacturing Promotion Fund, Preservation Maryland is studying the history of iconic and everyday alcohol manufacturers in the state's past, as well as key buildings and sites associated with Maryland's long history of brewing, winemaking, and distilling. The focus of this study will be to provide rich, historic details and stories for marketing and tourism, and potential continued preservation planning efforts. To inform those efforts, Preservation Maryland is looking for a consultant to research, write, and produce a report that will help Preservation Maryland tell the story of one of Maryland's oldest industries in a new and engaging manner. The available budget for this project is \$20,000.

3. SERVICES AND SCOPE OF WORK

The primary audience for this report, and larger *Spirited History* project is the public, residents of Maryland and the greater DMV area. Maryland is known for its long tradition of alcohol manufacturing. The aim of this grant project is to inform and educate all visitors about the history of this industry and how it informs modern manufacturing.

The precise scope of work is subject to the feedback from the selected consultant, available information in the historical record, and budget limitations. However, anticipated work/deliverables to be undertaken by the consultant may include, but is not limited to:

- Review existing scholarship on conduct original research on the history and development of alcohol manufacturing in Maryland
- Narrative final report
- An inventory list of significant sites associated with alcohol manufacturing in Maryland
- Copies of key materials, resources, and images used as part of the report

Work is expected to begin upon Preservation Maryland's acceptance of the Respondent's proposal. All final reports, deliverables or other project resources must be completed and submitted to Preservation Maryland by January 1, 2025.

4. INSTRUCTIONS TO RESPONDENTS

All proposals must be submitted as a single PDF attached to an email delivered to climniatis@presmd.org, with the subject line "RFP Submission – Spirited History" by **5PM ET on Friday, September 27, 2024.**

Proposals should be brief (6 pages max). However, respondents should include a proposed detailed not-to-exceed budget, project schedule, relevant experience and qualifications, and a breakdown of work to be completed per the proposed budget.