

**Edward P. Day**

Chief Historic Preservation Officer

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Edward Day has spent more than 30 years advancing the preservation of historic architecture in Prince George's County through his leadership with the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPEC). As Chief Historic Preservation Officer, he oversees a portfolio of more than 180 diverse properties dating from the 18th to the 20th centuries and leads a nationally recognized, award-winning team.

Ed's work is defined by his commitment to architectural integrity, public service, and multidisciplinary collaboration. His efforts have shaped local policy, secured major funding, and restored sites once considered unsalvageable. Among his most notable projects is the restoration of the Bladensburg World War I Memorial (the Peace Cross), where he served as a consulting historian during the memorial's successful defense before the United States Supreme Court. The case—and the subsequent restoration—reflected the full breadth of preservation practice, encompassing advocacy, research, fundraising, conservation, restoration, and interpretation.

A native of Prince George's County, Ed's work is guided by a lifelong passion for American historic landscapes and by formative academic mentorship under David Fogle, former Associate Dean and founder of the Historic Preservation Program at the University of Maryland School of Architecture. His collaborative leadership, public outreach, and dedication to heritage conservation have earned him recognition as a trusted voice in preservation and a tireless advocate for architectural excellence in the public realm.

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