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Open House Set for October 15

Resident Curator Applications Now Available for Turner Farm

The Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA) is now accepting applications for the rehabilitation and long-term maintenance of the historic Turner Farm property, located at 10609 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, Va. The Resident Curator Program provides the unique opportunity for individuals, non-profit and for-profit organizations to secure long-term lease agreements in beautiful public park settings such as Turner Farm Park in Fairfax County. The curator leases are without charge in exchange for a financial commitment and approved rehabilitation of the Park Authority's underutilized historic properties. The deadline for submitting applications for the Turner Farm property is January 13, 2017. An open house is scheduled on October 15, 2016, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The house was built in 1905 by the Turner family and is situated on an approximately 1.5 acre property that is part of a larger 52-acre community park at the intersection of Georgetown Pike and Springvale Road in Great Falls, Va. The property contains several historic structures including the farmhouse, garage, crib barn and dairy barn with varying dates of construction. The Turner Dairy Farm was one of many dairy farms which were prevalent in the Great Falls area during the early twentieth century.

The 3,216-square-foot house is architecturally significant due to its Queen Anne style and its exemplification of the cultural, economic, and historic heritage of the Springvale and Forestville/Great Falls communities in Northern Virginia. Many of the original details, formal parlor, hardwood flooring, and fireplaces remain. The house has four bedrooms and four bathrooms.

To qualify as a potential lessee in the Resident Curator Program, the Park Authority is seeking proposals for the rehabilitation of the Turner Farmhouse and outbuildings in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Curators will be determined through an open and competitive process, based on a number of criteria, including a formal proposal, demonstrated experience and competency in historic preservation techniques, financial capabilities, and the incorporation of public benefits.

Applicants should complete the application forms and will find additional information at: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/rcp>. For more information contact Denice Dressel, Project Manager – Resident Curator at 703-324-9569.

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If accommodations and/or alternative formats are needed, please call (703) 324-8563, at least 10 working days in advance of the registration deadline or event. TTY (703) 803-3354.