

A vintage open-top car, likely from the early 20th century, is driving on a dirt road. The car is positioned in the center-right of the frame, moving away from the viewer. The road is flanked by palm trees and other tropical vegetation. The background shows a line of trees under a bright sky. The overall scene is historical and evocative of early automotive travel.

Preserving the Historic Road

Plan to attend the ninth biennial conference on historic roads
September 26 – 28, 2014 in Savannah, Georgia


Preserving the Historic Road is the leading conference dedicated to the identification, preservation and management of historic roads. **Savannah, Georgia**, “The Hostess City of the South,” is the location of our ninth biennial conference. Laid out in 1733, the public squares, canopied by live oaks and Spanish moss, are a leisurely stroll from the conference hotel. Beyond Savannah, American Indian roads transformed into colonial trade routes, such as the **King’s Road**, and were later used during the Revolutionary and Civil wars. These same roads evolved into the highways of the modern era, providing the lifeline between growing industries and the bustling Port of Savannah, and enticed travelers to southern vacationlands via the **Dixie Highway** and the **Atlantic Coastal Highway (US 17)**. So, journey on down with your fellow road enthusiasts and enjoy some fine southern hospitality.

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Let’s change out of these dandy bathing suits and motor back to town. There’s a historic roads conference in downtown Savannah! I hear they’ve got a great slate of presentations on the latest preservation tools and historic road policies for us to bring back to our communities.

I declare, there’s a great motor tour scheduled that will be a real coastal adventure! Meeting all those engineers, advocates, transportation and preservation professionals will be the bees-knees!”



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Photos: (front) An early roadster on a coastal, Chatham County, GA road. (Julian Quattlebaum Photo Coll.) Credit: Courtesy of the Georgia Historical Society. (Above) Wormsloe Plantation, Chatham County, GA c. 1940. Credit: Library of Congress. (Inset) Tybee Island/Savannah Beach, c. 1924. Credit: Library of Congress. Design: Eileen Schramm visual communication. Printed on recycled paper.