

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

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18AP18

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Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

This report describes the findings of 1998 and 1999 excavations at the Upton Scott House (18AP18) in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. The Upton Scott House is significant as one of only a few Georgian houses with remnants of its original plantation-inspired landscape still visible. Investigation was completed in agreement with the owners of the historic property, who were interested in determining the condition and arrangement of Dr. Upton Scott's well-documented pleasure gardens. The work was carried out by Archaeology in Annapolis, which is a publically funded venture through state funds for the University of Maryland and periodic grants received from the City of Annapolis.

Phase II

Project Objectives:

-Study change and modification over time to the structures and backyard of the Upton Scott House site.

Phase III

-Explain and interpret how the various owners of the property utilized and regarded the resources and structures of the land.

-Investigate the cultural presence of the enslaved African-American contingent living on the property. In particular, locate any evidence of Hoodoo practices on the site.

Research Potential:

Excavation work conducted at the Upton Scott House (18AP18) has clearly demonstrated that the site possesses intact stratigraphy with dateable artifacts, intact features, and generally good preservation. Significant portions of the site have not been excavated and even more deposits associated with the once larger parcel may be preserved off-site on the adjoining lots. Site 18AP18 should be considered a significant archeological site capable of addressing research questions related to the 18th century occupation and well-documented historical activities and individuals associated with the site.