



# A NEW SEASON.

The Fall season has arrived in Charleston. With the year nearing to a close, we finally have time to reflect on what has been truly a tremendous year for real estate in Charleston. Even more incredibly, it is not over!

During this unprecedented time nationally and globally, it is a true testament to our strong team of agents that we are continuing to represent the sales of luxury properties. It has been a privilege to work with our clients to assist them in the sale and purchase of their Lowcountry homes. I feel incredibly fortunate that we anticipate continued success in the local market as we look ahead to the rest of the year.

Let us share our wealth of knowledge with you. From the best neighborhoods, up-to-date real estate stats and the most luxurious properties on the market ... Don't just be a Charleston local – be a LUXURY INSIDER.





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over the last five years

All data as of December 31, 2019





The third quarter reflected the extraordinary number of second quarter contracts as they became home closings. Every area of Charleston had more closings in the third quarter than the first quarter, second quarter and third quarter of 2019. The amazing sales trend was truly astounding and broke records as quarantine and "Stay at Home" orders eased.

The number of under contract homes for the third quarter have rescinded versus the record numbers of the second quarter. A few factors contributed to this. Inventory continues to be extremely low versus demand. South Carolina also saw a rise in infection numbers in the third quarter which lessened travel to our area. The third quarter is also commonly a slower time for real estate as it is the hottest time of the year and school begins. The number of contracts in the third quarter of Presidential Election years also tend to wane as buyers wait to see election results.

While the number of contracts is lower versus the second quarter, they are still strong considering everything that has occurred in 2020. Demand continues to be high as more people are looking to Charleston as the place they want to live. We see no sign of this demand slowing in the final months of the year.

**DREW GROSSKLAUS** | Sales Director/East Cooper Broker-in-Charge

# ISLE OF PALMS

66 **22** 

Sold Contingent

# DOWNTOWN

119 37
Sold Contingent

## SULLIVAN'S ISLAND

16 8

Sold Contingent

#### **WEST ASHLEY**

224 84

Sold Contingent

#### **MOUNT PLEASANT**

990 281

Sold Contingent

#### **JAMES ISLAND**

294 84

Sold Contingent

#### **DANIEL ISLAND**

160 57Sold Contingent

**JOHNS ISLAND** 

295 76

Sold Contingent

#### **WADMALAW ISLAND**

13 4

Sold Contingent

#### KIAWAH ISLAND

76 28

Sold Contingent

# SEABROOK ISLAND

117 37

Sold Contingent



## 8 THINGS TO DO IN CHARLESTON THIS FALL

Take full advantage of the autumn season's beautiful weather

After a long hot summer, the beautiful Fall season is welcomed with open arms by Lowcountry residents. Cooler weather provides the perfect opportunity to enjoy more of your favorite activities with friends and family. Whether you're a local or just visiting, follow these tips to make the most of the Fall season in Charleston.

**Go on a Walking Tour.** The autumn season offers ideal weather for walking tours, where a guide leads you through historic downtown Charleston's picturesque streets punctuated by stunning gardens, wrought-iron gates and unique historic architecture.

**Explore the Lowcountry's Waterways.** Beautiful waterways and serene marshes are among the Lowcountry's most beloved features. Fall is the perfect time to explore Charleston's waters on a kayak or paddleboard, and there are a variety of rental services available around Charleston.

Take in Views from the Ravenel Bridge. Spanning the Cooper River from the Downtown Charleston peninsula to Mount Pleasant, the Arthur Ravenel Jr. Bridge offers a pedestrian and bicycle pathway that is 2.7 miles long. From the top, enjoy panoramic views of the river, Charleston Harbor and Atlantic Ocean beyond.

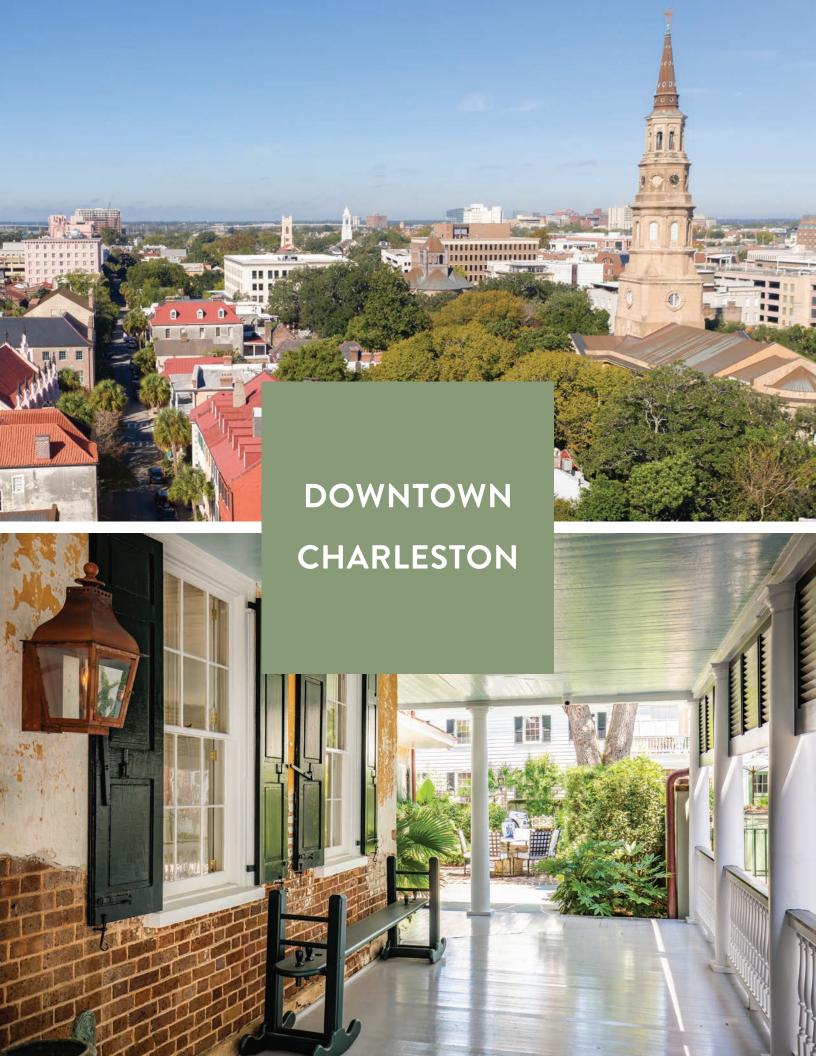
Walk Around the Battery. A landmark defensive seawall and promenade that stretches around the tip of the Charleston peninsula, the Battery is flanked by luxurious homes on one side and water on the other, creating a truly scenic walkway.

Roast Oysters At Home. Oyster season is upon us and you can enjoy this Lowcountry delicacy in your very own backyard. From building your own roasting pit to special sauce recipes, Charleston is the place to be for oyster season.

Picnic at the Park. Downtown Charleston is home to many beautiful parks and green spaces, from Hampton Park in the Upper Peninsula to White Point Garden and Waterfront Park with Charleston Harbor views. Bring a blanket and a take-out meal from your favorite Charleston restaurant and enjoy an al fresco dining experience.

**Enjoy a Beach Day.** Locals will tell you one of the best things about living in the Lowcountry is its long, luxurious beach season. The months of September, October, and even November offer many sunny, warm days perfect for enjoying area beaches from Folly Beach to Sullivan's Island to Isle of Palms.

Read the full article at charlestonrealestate.com.











#### **RENOVATED & TURNKEY HOME**

#### 36 Legare Street

3 BR | 4.5 BA | 3,472 SF | South of Broad

On the corner of Legare and Tradd Streets, in the heart of historic Charleston's most exclusive neighborhood, rests this exquisite, turnkey property at 36 Legare Street. Built circa 1860, this traditional Charleston home underwent an extensive, high-end renovation in 2017-2018, employing some of the city's most sought-after design, building, and restoration professionals: Bello-Garris architects, Magee Ratcliff Construction, LLC, and Wertimer-Cline landscape architects. Updated with the highest standards, the owners at 36 Legare Street spared no expense during this year long project.







#### THE JAMES WATT HOUSE

26 Church Street

3 BR  $\mid$  2.5 BA  $\mid$  3,819 SF  $\mid$  South of Broad

MLS 20026124

Lyles Geer

**\$4,190,000** 843.793.9800

#### **GEORGIAN REVIVAL-STYLE HOME**

135 South Battery

5 BR | 3.5 BA | 4,659 SF | South of Broad

MLS 20009501

Helen Geer

**\$3,250,000** 843.224.7767



#### **RENTAL INCOME OPPORTUNITY**

4 Murphy Court

6 BR | 3 BA | 2,128 SF | Radcliffeborough

MLS 20015360

Kalyn Smythe

**\$899,000** 843.708.3353



#### **IDYLLIC DOWNTOWN HOME**

67-C Vanderhorst Street

3 BR | 2.5 BA | 1,932 SF | Radcliffeborough

MLS 20003092

Brian Walsh

**\$892,500** 843.754.2089



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#### HISTORIC CONDO WITH EXPOSED BRICK

109 E Bay Street #1G

2 BR | 2.5 BA | 1,640 SF | South of Broad

MLS 19030540 \$845,000 843.793.9800 Lyles Geer

#### SOUTH OF BROAD ELEVATED HOME

156-A Tradd Street

4 BR | 4 BA | 2,309 SF | South of Broad

MLS 19025664 Lyles Geer

\$765,000 843.793.9800













#### PRISTINE DEEP-WATER HOME

2483 River Bluff Lane

5 BR | 5.5 BA | 6,810 SF | Rivertowne On The Wando

Set on the vast Wando River, this deep-water home combines elegant styles and classic features for a truly spectacular Mount Pleasant residence. The home was completely renovated and redesigned in 2009. The main level features 10' ceilings, walnut floors, a grand foyer, formal living and dining rooms, family room, drawing room and a library. Its gourmet kitchen is equipped with premium appliances, an impressive island, marble countertops, farmhouse sink and more. An adjacent breakfast room features bay windows with river vistas. The outdoor space is truly an oasis with a poolside cabana, saunas, and a floating dock and pier for boaters and water lovers. Enjoy a true Lowcountry waterfront lifestyle at 2483 River Bluff Lane.





#### **CUSTOM BUILT I'ON HOME**

23 Grace Lane

5 BR | 6.5 BA | 6,355 SF | I'On

MLS 20021029

 ${\sf Michelle\ McQuillan}$ 

\$1,895,000

843.814.4201



424 Greenwich Street

4 BR | 3.5 BA | 3,959 SF | Old Village

MLS 20003348

Paula Yorke & Etta Connolly

**\$1,875,000** 704.345.7474



#### **BRICK BEAUTY WITH WATER VIEWS**

129 Ponsbury Road

5 BR | 5.5 BA | 4,554 SF | I'On

MLS 20023021

Michelle McQuillan

**\$1,699,000** 843.814.4201



#### MOVE-IN READY WITH COURTYARD

171 Civitas Street

3 BR | 3.5 BA | 2,528 SF | I'On

MLS 20028103

Michelle McQuillan

**\$925,000** 843.814.4201











#### **FABULOUS MOUNT PLEASANT LOCATION**

**796 Post Oak Drive**4 BR | 2.5 BA | 2,422 SF | Old Village Landing

**MLS 20028129** \$899,000 Kalyn Smythe 843.708.3353

### TRANQUIL MARSH VIEWS

**4070 Blackmoor Street** 5 BR  $\mid$  5 BA  $\mid$  3,770 SF  $\mid$  Hamlin Plantation

**MLS 20015603**Lyles Geer

815,000
843.793.9800













# **32 Jamestown Road** 4 BR | 3.5 BA | 2,926 SF | The Crescent

32 Jamestown Road is situated on beautifully landscaped, private lot and has amazing oaks and lush gardens. The previous owner did a complete renovation making this updated home in The Crescent move-in ready. The main floor has a living room, dining room, eat-in kitchen and a full guest suite. There are three bedrooms upstairs, two of which share a Jack-and-Jill bath, while the master bedroom boasts a large walk-in closet and master bath. The property offers a beautiful deck and a 624 sq. ft. detached two-car garage. Its current owners have replaced the HVAC, installed custom-built closets and updated the master bath. There is also a private gate making easy access to the Porter-Gaud campus.

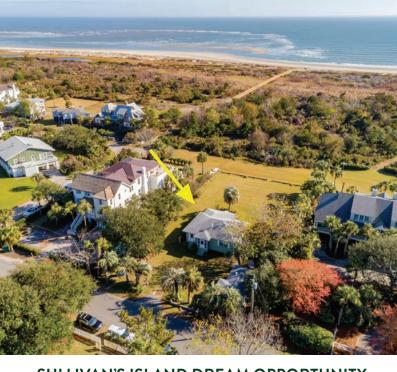




#### **HOOPSTICK ISLAND**

**2068 Hoopstick Island Road** 156 AC | Johns Island

MLS 16020937 Lyles Geer **\$7,750,000** 843.793.9800



#### SULLIVAN'S ISLAND DREAM OPPORTUNITY

**2525 Atlantic Avenue** 4 BR | 2 BA | 1,476 SF | Sullivan's Island

MLS 20000435 Grace Perry Huddleston **\$3,900,000** 843.224.6262



#### STUNNING WATERFRONT PROPERTY

**1521 Robin Rooke Way** 4 BR | 4 BA | 5,860 SF | Grimball Farms

MLS 20013025 Alex Brener **\$3,500,000** 843.729.3098



#### MID-CENTURY HOME IN THE CRESCENT

15 Johnson Road

5 BR | 4.5 BA | 5,300 SF | The Crescent

**MLS 20000729** Jane Dowd

**\$2,690,000** 843.224.2788

**LOWCOUNTRY LIVING** 

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#### **ELEVATED HOME WITH INFINITY POOL**

1511 John Fenwick Lane

4 BR | 4.5 BA | 3,276 SF | The Preserve at Fenwick Plantation

MLS 20025473

John & Eileen Smith

**\$1,568,800** 843.870.6290

#### ELITE HOME WITH PREMIER LANDSCAPING

1515 John Fenwick Lane

4 BR | 4.5 BA | 2,958 SF | The Preserve at Fenwick Plantation

MLS 20025471

John & Eileen Smith

**\$1,542,300** 843.870.6290



#### **BUILD YOUR LOWCOUNTRY HOME**

1638 John Fenwick Lane

4 BR | 4.5 BA | 3,127 SF | The Preserve at Fenwick Plantation

MLS 20016809

John & Eileen Smith

**\$1,018,000** 843.870.6290



#### **NEW CONSTRUCTION OPPORTUNITY**

1503 John Fenwick Lane

3 BR | 3.5 BA | 2,679 SF | The Preserve at Fenwick Plantation

MLS 20016807

John & Eileen Smith

\$967,000

843.870.6290













# **RECORD SALE ON SULLIVAN'S ISLAND**

#### 1765 Atlantic Avenue

4 BR | 4 BA | 4,505 SF | Sold for \$6,290,000

William Means represented both the buyer and the seller of this stunning beachfront home on popular Sullivan's Island, setting the record for the highest sale on the island in 2020. This beachfront home on Sullivan's Island is the definition of luxury, with generous living spaces that take advantage of the ocean views with oversized windows and outdoor living space complete with a screened porch and deck overlooking the swimming pool and patio.



# **NOTEWORTHY COMPANY SALES**



WEST ASHLEY 14 Jamestown Road Sold - \$4,850,000



KIAWAH ISLAND 29 Rhetts Bluff Road Sold - \$4,000,000



WEST ASHLEY 18 Broughton Road Sold - \$3,400,000



JAMES ISLAND 20 Country Club Drive Sold - \$3,000,000



SOUTH OF BROAD 42 South Battery Sold - \$2,400,000



SOUTH OF BROAD 21 Lamboll Street Sold - \$2,200,000



SEABROOK ISLAND 3612 Beachcomber Run Sold - \$2,000,000



SOUTH OF BROAD 18 S Adgers Wharf Sold - \$1,850,000



SULLIVAN'S ISLAND 2314 Middle Street Sold - \$1,675,000



HISTORIC CHARLESTON 42 Laurens Street Sold - \$1,655,000



HISTORIC CHARLESTON 104 Rutledge Avenue Sold - \$1,600,000



I'ON 122 W Shipyard Road Sold - \$1,585,000





# WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOU MOVE IN TO YOUR NEW HOME?

Congratulations, you're a new homeowner! The sale has successfully closed and you've been given the keys to your new home-sweet-home. Don't get ready to settle in just yet – there are a few important items to address before you should consider your move complete.

Move Your Furniture and Belongings. Since closings are sometimes delayed for various reasons, it's recommended to have your movers scheduled to move you into your new home a few hours after your closing time at the earliest. Even better, scheduling your move for the day after closing gives you plenty of buffer time.

Contact Your Phone and Internet Provider. Whether you're working from home, have children learning at home, or use wifi on your computer or mobile device, you'll want to be sure to contact your internet provider and have them install the proper equipment for your internet access.

Notify the Post Office. In order to ensure that you are receiving your mail, please complete a change of address form with the post office. This can be done in advance of closing. Be sure to notify your family and friends of your new home address as well.

Acquire Closing Packet from the Settlement Agent. Within a few days of closing, you will receive all of the purchase

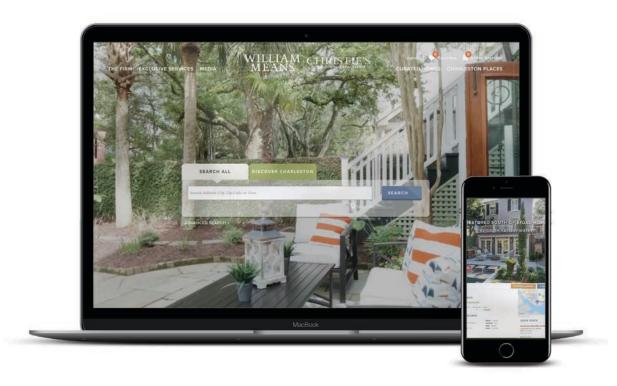
paperwork from your settlement agent. Please keep these documents for tax purposes. Included in this packet will be your first several payment coupons which you will use for your initial mortgage payment, unless you have already set up an automatic payment schedule with your bank.

Change the Locks. You never know who has keys to the locks of the home that you are purchasing. Many homeowners give keys to neighbors, babysitters, in-laws and contractors. We highly recommend having your locks changed shortly after closing to ensure that you know exactly who has keys to your new home.

Get to Know Your Neighbors and Area. After you're settled into your new home, take time to meet and greet your new neighbors. Explore your neighborhood and get to know its hidden gems like tucked-away parks, walking trails, local coffee shops and cafes, and vantage points for watching the sunset.

If you have questions about the home closing and moving process, be sure to discuss them with a knowledgeable real estate agent. They will be able to shed light on any details you may be wondering about as you go through the transaction process.

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