

Jvari Monastery Project wins Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation large grant



On Sept 16, 2020, the U.S. Embassy in Tbilisi, Georgia announced that the Jvari Monastery preservation project was selected by Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation (AFCP).

The ongoing preservation works also funded by the U.S. Government will now extend to cover the entire outer sandstone masonry of the building, including all four facades and all eight sides of the drum, about 1200 square meters of the wall surface. The first phase of this project was funded with \$100,000 also under the AFCP program. The large grant will provide an additional \$506,250 for the vital preservation works, which will be done by the George Chubinashvili National Research Center.

Ambassador Kelly C. Degnan along with Minister Mikheil Batiashvili, Director of National Agency for Cultural Preservation Nikoloz Antidze, Director of Chubinashvili Research Center Tamar Belashvili, and distinguished guests attended the announcement ceremony and presentation of this important project which will help preserve this incredible monument for many generations to come.