

2006 Governor's Historic Preservation Awards

Office of Historic Preservation
California State Parks

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Colfax Southern Pacific Depot Rehabilitation



**Award given to the Colfax Area Historical Society
and Placer -- Sierra Railroad Heritage Society**

- 1905 depot owned by City of Colfax
- Standard SP “colonnade” type depot
- City received Transportation Enhancement and Save America’s Treasures grants.



- Placer Sierra Railroad Heritage Society advocated for project and provided volunteer labor in rehabilitation work.
- Epitomizes private-public partnership required in preservation work in small communities.

Santa Fe Depot Rehabilitation



Santa Fe Depot in 1903

**Award given to the City of Fresno Public
Works Department**

- 1899 Santa Fe Depot is a key landmark in downtown Fresno and along Amtrak's San Joaquin line.
- Depot closed in 1966 and was reused as a communication center for railroad.



- City of Fresno awarded numerous state and federal grants to acquire and rehabilitate depot.
- Project indicates the importance of continuity of use in rehabilitation projects.
- Project restored not only the building but its historic use and place within the community.

Fruitvale Schoolhouse Project



**Award given to Fruitvale Association for
Old Fruitvale School**

- One room schoolhouse built in 1899 but closed in 1946.
- Sat empty until acquired by a non-profit association formed of local families and alumni.
- Building rehabilitated over a five-year period, relying chiefly upon volunteer labor.
- Schoolhouse is now a center for preserving the agricultural past.



- School groups visit the school for Living History Days.
- School is host to Farm and Barn Ag Days celebration.
- Project epitomizes how a building preservation project can draw together a community to preserve stories and a vanishing lifestyle.

Manzanar Guard Tower Project



Award presented to National Park Service,
Carey & Co., and Friends of Manzanar

- Manzanar Advisory Committee and National Park Service worked together to reconstruct this powerful interpretive structure.
- NPS policy prohibits reconstruction except under rare circumstances, where interpretation is important and no extant resource are available.



- NPS conducted exhaustive search for authentic guard tower but found none.
- Tower was rebuilt on original foundation and according to documented materials and dimensions.
- Project is important as illustration of rare instances in which reconstruction is preferred alternative.

Ye 'wi 'vichem Park



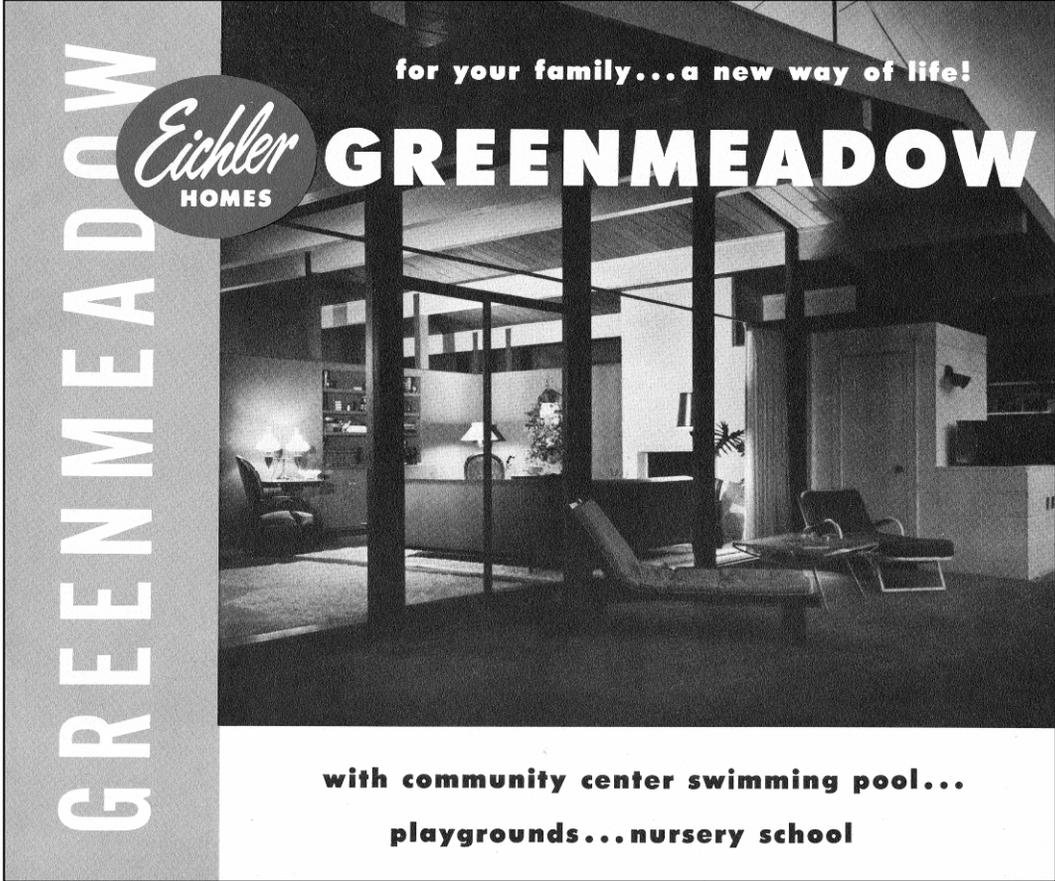
Award presented to City of Coachella

- Major archaeological site discovered during planning for housing project.
- Site was set aside on park parcel and preserved beneath sterile soil layer.
- Park interprets site through panels in English and Cahuilla.



- Park dedicated and blessed in ceremony in March 2006.
- Project exemplifies how archaeological sites may be preserved and interpreted for the benefit of tribal groups and other Californians.

EICHLER HOUSING TRACT PROJECT



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with community center swimming pool...
playgrounds...nursery school

The advertisement features a black and white photograph of a modern, open-plan living area with large glass windows and dark structural columns. The interior is furnished with a lounge chair, a table, and a lamp. The overall aesthetic is mid-century modern.

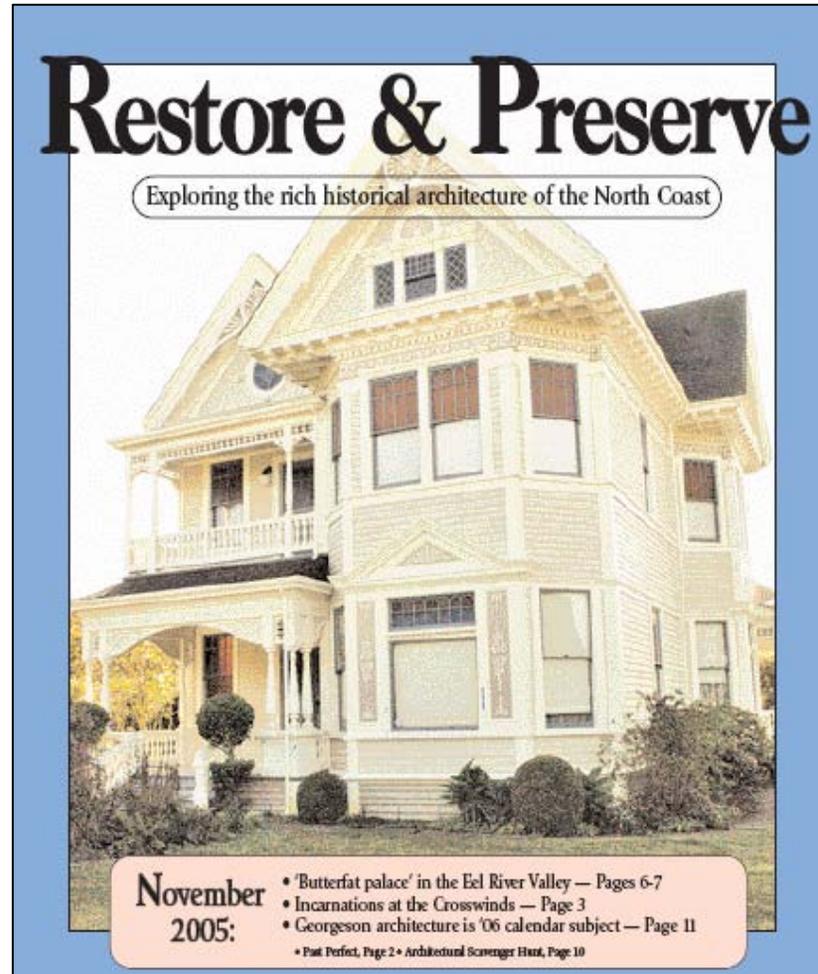
Given to Historic Quest Committee

- For years, Historic Quest Committee has sought to educate preservationists and the public about mid-20th century Modern architecture.
- Have focused on the accomplishments of developer, Joe Eichler, who built high-quality subdivisions throughout California.
- Eichler achieved quality of design by hiring well-known Modern architects to design his models



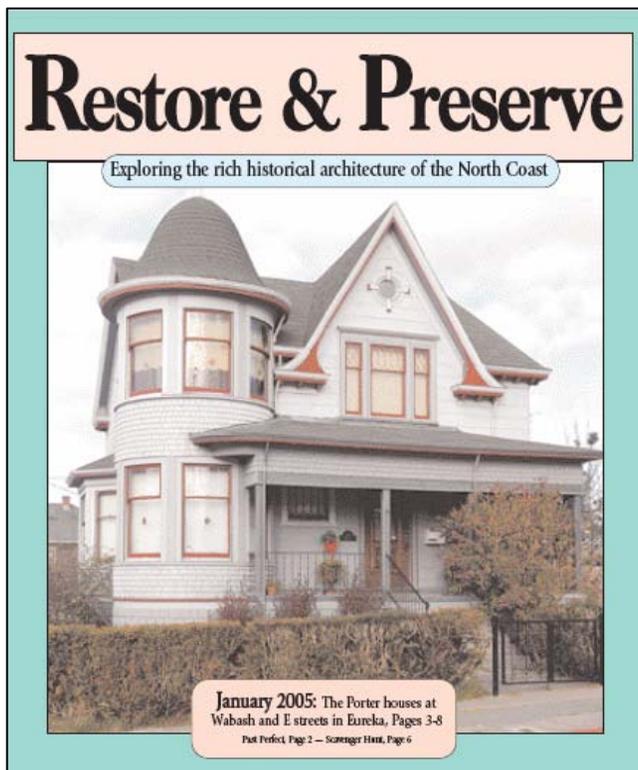
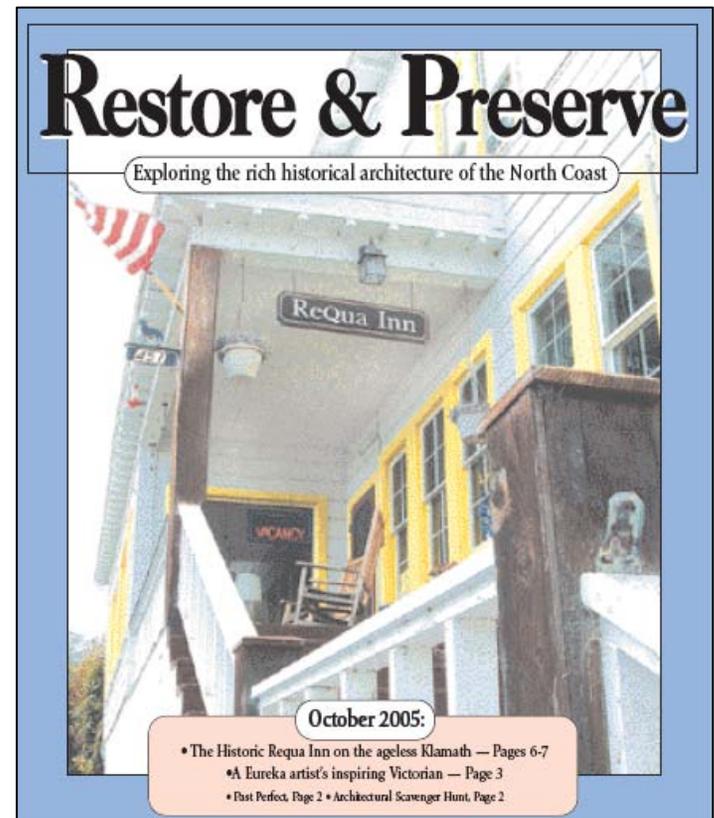
- Historic Quest Committee was able to list two Eichler subdivisions in Palo Alto as National Register districts, the first such mid-century districts in California and among the first in the nation.
- The Committee points the way to standards for evaluating significance of mid-20th century Modern buildings.

Restore and Preserve



Award given to Eureka Times-Standard

- For three years, Kathy Dillon of the Eureka Times-Standard has produced a monthly special section insert that celebrates and advocates for historic architecture in Humboldt County.
- The 12-page inserts highlight specific historic monuments as well as property types that are characteristic of the county.



- It also include “how to” instructions for historically accurate repair and rehabilitation.
- Insert is unique among daily newspapers in California and may well be unique nationally.
- Project shows that serious preservation education is compatible with popular press.