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## California Office of Historic Preservation



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Happy Holidays!

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### Mission

**The mission of the Office of Historic Preservation and the State Historical Resources Commission is to provide leadership and promote the preservation of California's irreplaceable and diverse cultural heritage.**

### Section 106 and the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

On March 1, 2013, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) adopted a plan to support the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. The ACHP committed to raising awareness and providing guidance about the Declaration among the historic preservation community. As part of that effort, the ACHP has published the first in a series of papers discussing the intersection of the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Section 106 review process. As noted in this first paper, the ACHP has identified nine articles in the Declaration that intersect with the mission and work of the ACHP and the Section 106 review process. The paper is now available through the [ACHP's website](#).

### Preserving Cultural Heritage

In this traditional season of light, we share with you a video, [Stewards of the Wild Sea](#), that shines a light on an

inspiring story of cultural heritage preservation in northern California. Produced by Baum Foundation in coordination with the InterTribal Sinkiyone

Wilderness Council, the video highlights California's adoption of the first tribally focused marine use areas in the United States. It is a story of tribes, regional stakeholders, and state government coming together to honor and preserve traditional lifeways. It is, as one tribal member remarks, "a story of what went right."



### DPR523 Revision

The Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) is in the beginning stages of revising the DPR523, used as the basic form series for a variety of preservation-related programs, reviews and surveys. The DPR523 revision project will consider the types of data collected, how the information is organized, and the ease or difficulty in completing the forms. OHP will also review digital data

standards and submission protocols as they pertain to the DPR523 process.

Currently the project is in the internal phase of review. Starting in January 2014, OHP will solicit comment from federal, state, and local partners that use the DPR523, and in spring 2014 will begin asking for feedback from preservation professionals and the public. So stay tuned for updates and the opportunity to share your comments! For any questions or additional information about the DPR523 revision project, please contact Amanda Blosser, Historian with OHP, at [amanda.blosser@parks.ca.gov](mailto:amanda.blosser@parks.ca.gov), or 916-445-7048.

## **NEWS AND UPDATES**

### **California Historical Resources Information System Action Plan**

The [Action Plan](#) for the "CHRIS Modernization and Sustainability Plan" is now posted on the OHP website. The Action Plan provides guidance for the first eighteen months of implementation of the Modernization and Sustainability project. The project puts CHRIS on the path to realizing the vision of a single comprehensive statewide electronic inventory of historic resources that provides information rapidly, accurately, and cost-effectively.

### **Governor's Historic Preservation Awards Ceremony**

Cold, blustery winds could not keep away an exuberant crowd of awardees and supporters, who gathered in Sacramento on November 21 for the presentation of the Governor's Historic Preservation Awards. The ceremony was held in the ballroom of the historic Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park. Every seat was occupied as eleven awards were conferred on individuals, organizations, and projects, representing exceptional examples of historic preservation in California.

The list of award recipients:

Alice Carey

Christy McAvoy

Tribal Historic Preservation Committee of the United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria

The Whittier Conservancy

Chicano Park Murals Restoration

Kelly Cullen Community Rehabilitation

Bancroft Rock House Rehabilitation

Huntington Japanese Garden and House Restoration

Ford Assembly Building Rehabilitation

Twin Peaks Tavern Landmark Designation

Case Study House Program National Register Designation

Video presentations about the awardees will be posted on our YouTube site in early January 2014. In the meantime, you can learn more about each recipient on our [website](#).

### **Website Survey**

The Office of Historic Preservation would like to hear from you! We are in the process of revamping our website, and value your opinion about what would be most helpful, inspiring, and informational to see on our webpages.

Please [click here](#) to take a brief survey (approx. 5-7

minutes). The survey will be active through January 15, 2014. Don't miss your chance to be heard!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **ACHP Announces Section 106 Training Schedule**

Registration is now open for the [2014 training courses](#) in Section 106 Essentials and Section 106 Advanced Seminar. Participants will **save \$45** if they **register before December 16.**

**National Park Service Internship Program** NPS' [Cultural Resources Diversity Internship Program](#) (CRDIP) is accepting project proposals for 2014, the program's 16th year. Over the years, National Park units, SHPOs, and other private and public partners have provided interns with quality career-exploration experiences. The 2014 program will co-sponsor 12-13 undergraduate and graduate interns. The **deadline for project proposal applications is Friday, December 20, 2013.** Contact Paloma Bolasny, CRDIP Program Coordinator for more information, 202-354-2174.

### **California Indian Sponsorship Program Now Accepting Applications**

The Native American Programs Committee (NAPC) of the Society for California Archaeology is accepting applications for sponsorship to the 2014 SCA Annual Meeting to be held in Visalia, March 20-23. The sponsorship covers participant expenses including travel, hotel, per diem, and program fees. Applications may be downloaded from the [NAPC's webpage](#).

## Did You Know. . .

Early Yosemite pioneer Galen Clark is considered the first State Park Ranger. The State of California hired Clark in 1866 to act as the official guardian of Yosemite Valley and the Mariposa Big Trees. Clark devoted himself to educating the public about preserving and protecting this treasured natural resource. Galen Clark retired from his guardian duties in 1897 at the age of 83, but continued his involvement with Yosemite for the remainder of his life.



Learn more about Clark, about California State Parks' first 150 years, and about how you can be a part of the commemoration: <http://www.150.parks.ca.gov/>

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