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# California Office of Historic Preservation



## May 2014 Preservation ePost

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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.**



### New Landmarks Honor National Park Week



On April 23, 2014, U.S. Secretary of the Interior, Sally Jewell, and National Park Service Director, Jon Jarvis announced the designation of four new National Historic Landmarks. "As the National Park Service approaches its Centennial observance in 2016, we are seeking ways to highlight and share the breadth of the American experience," Director Jarvis said. "These new national historic landmarks showcase the rich, diverse, and complex history of our nation's story, as well as drive tourism and boost local economies."

The new designations:

- Adlai E. Stevenson II Farm, Mettawa, IL**
- The Detroit Industry Murals, Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit, MI**
- George Nakashima Woodworker Complex, Bucks County, PA**
- 1956 Grand Canyon TWA-United Airlines Aviation Accident Site, Grand Canyon National Park, AZ**

Additional information on the designations can be found through the [National Historic Landmarks webpage](#).

### Historic Post Offices Report

This month, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) issued *PRESERVING HISTORIC POST OFFICES: A Report to Congress*. The report grew out of congressional concerns that the United States Postal Service



(USPS) may not be fully meeting the requirements of Section 106 and other sections of the National Historic Preservation Act when closing and disposing of historic post offices. The ACHP made 15 findings calling for significant improvements in the USPS' planning and

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## State Historical Resources

### Commission (SHRC)

The Commission meets at least four times per year to give citizens an opportunity to participate in public hearings regarding the identification, registration, and preservation of California's cultural heritage.

### Upcoming 2014 Meetings:

August 1-Sacramento  
November 7-Sacramento

For meeting and general information, please visit the [SHRC webpage](#).

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compliance for its historic preservation and disposal programs. The full report is available through the [ACHP website](#).

## NEWS AND UPDATES

### Final Call! Governor's Historic Preservation Awards Nomination Deadline: May 12, 2014

Nominations are being accepted in the categories of projects, individuals, or organizations. Forms and information are available at: [www.ohp.parks.ca.gov/governorsawards](http://www.ohp.parks.ca.gov/governorsawards).

### Historic Context Statements in San Francisco

Two important historic context statement projects are underway in San Francisco. A partnership of historians, the [GLBT Historical Society](#), [San Francisco Heritage](#), and the City of San Francisco is developing the *Citywide Historic Context Statement for LGBTQ History in San Francisco*. Focusing on the 19th century through the 1980s, the context statement will provide a foundation for identifying, interpreting, and landmarking historic places associated with LGBTQ history. For more information on the project, visit: <http://lgbthistory.sfplanning.org>.

San Francisco Heritage and the City of San Francisco also are partnering with the [San Francisco Latino Historical Society](#) to develop a citywide historic context statement, *Nuestra Historia: Documenting the Chicano, Latino, and Indigena Contributions to the Development of San Francisco*. The context statement will identify, document, and offer recommendations for preserving the architectural, cultural, and historical resources important to the city's Latino communities. Learn more about the project on the [SF Heritage website](#).

### State Historical Resources Commission Votes on New Nominations

At their April 22 meeting in Asilomar, the State Historical Resources Commission (SHRC) voted to send six National Register nominations to the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places for formal determination of eligibility. The SHRC also approved one new California Historical Landmark, and updates to five existing landmarks. To see a listing of all of the nominations and landmarks, visit our [Actions Taken](#) webpage.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### May is Preservation Month!

*Embark, Inspire, Engage* is the theme of the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Preservation Month 2014. Visit the [NTHP's](#) website for a list of nationwide events and add your own event to the list.

### California Preservation Foundation Webinars & Workshops:

Webinar Series: Economic Development  
May 6; May 13; May 20, 12-1:30pm

Workshop: CEQA and Historic Preservation  
May 28, Stanford University

Workshop: Secretary of Interior Standards From

Interpretation to Treatment  
May 29, Stanford University

Visit the [CPF website](#) for details and registration.

**Keeping Time VII Historic Preservation Conference, June 20, 2014 - Registration Open!**

The Keeping Time Conferences are sponsored by the Tuolumne County Historic Preservation Review Commission in cooperation with the OHP. Winner of a Governor's Historic Preservation Award in 2010, the Keeping Time Conferences provide timely sessions on preservation issues such as mitigation, funding, application of codes, and advocacy. This year's conference takes place June 20, at Columbia State Historic Park. For conference and registration information, visit the [Tuolumne County website](#).

**FORUM 2014 - July 16-20, Philadelphia**

The National Alliance of Preservation Commissions' biennial conference and training program will be held in Philadelphia. Tours, workshops, and educational sessions will be offered on a variety of preservation topics. Early Bird discounts are offered through June 6. For conference details and registration visit the [FORUM 2014](#) website.

**Preservation is Local!**

Highlighting organizations involved in preservation at the local and regional levels

[Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association](#) (BAHA) has worked to preserve the architectural heritage of Berkeley, including helping to establish Berkeley's Landmarks Preservation Ordinance in 1974. BAHA continues to promote the cause of preservation through a variety of public programs, civic preservation efforts, and publications such as the online [BAHA Newsletter](#).

The [Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation](#), established in 1963, works to preserve, restore, reconstruct, and interpret historic sites in Santa Barbara County. The Trust sponsors a variety of exhibits, research projects, and public programs, and oversees the collections of the [Presidio Research Center](#).

Do you have an active preservation group in your community? Let us know about it! Contact Diane Barclay, Outreach and Communications Coordinator at [diane.barclay@parks.ca.gov](mailto:diane.barclay@parks.ca.gov), or 916-445-7026.

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