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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.



Governor's Historic Preservation Awards Conferred



The 2014 Governor's Historic Preservation Awards were presented during a well-attended ceremony in Sacramento on November 20, 2014. Held in the beautifully restored Stanley Mosk Library and Courts

Building, the awards went to organizations and projects exemplifying the best in historic preservation in California. This year's awardees covered a wonderful range of endeavors from restoration of a 26-story skyscraper, to a historic mountaintop beacon, a public arts mural, a tribal cultural resources committee, and state-of-the-art preservation technology, to name a few. Visit our [2014 Governor's Historic Preservation webpage](#) for a list and description of all of the award recipients. Images from the ceremony can be viewed on our [Flickr site](#). Congratulations to all of the awardees for their outstanding work in preserving California's heritage!

(photo: San Diego Archaeological Center accepting their Governor's Historic Preservation Award, November 20, 2014)

Preserve Latino History Initiative Gains Momentum

The Latinos in Twentieth Century California Multiple Property Submission (MPS) will be presented at the January 28, 2015 State Historical Resources Commission Meeting for approval. The MPS provides a framework for the nomination of associated properties to the National Register of Historic Places. Three individual nominations





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.

Scheduled Meetings for 2015:

Jan. 28 - Sacramento
Apr. 29 - San Diego
Aug. 7 - Sacramento
Nov. 6 - Sacramento

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

will be submitted in association with the Latinos in Twentieth Century California MPS (visit our [Pending Nominations](#) page for details).

The MPS is a key component of the OHP's effort to develop a historic context about Latinos in California during the twentieth century. Central to the effort is collaborating with California's Latino communities to identify buildings and sites that are significant in twentieth century Latino history and culture, and nominate many of those resources to the National Register. The properties scheduled to be heard on January 28 are an exciting start. The OHP continues to seek and welcome additional nominations for this important project. To learn more and to participate, please visit our [Preserve Latino History](#) webpage.

(photo: Forsythe Memorial School for Girls, Los Angeles)

New LGBTQ Historic Site Survey in San Diego



Lambda Archives of San Diego has announced that it will be partnering with Save Our Heritage Organisation of San Diego (SOHO) to undertake a historic sites project identifying sites important to LGBTQ history and

community in the San Diego region. Inspired by the National Park Service's Heritage Sites Initiative, the goal of the San Diego project is to identify historically important places and buildings and nominate many of those resources to the National Register of Historic Places. The first property identified for the project was the Bernie Michels home. Bernie Michels was an early activist and organizer of the San Diego LGBT community. Efforts are now underway to fund this first nomination and the historic sites project overall. To learn more about the LGBTQ Historic Sites Survey project, visit [Lambda Archives' website](#), and their [Facebook page](#).

(photo: Bernie Michels home. Courtesy of Lambda Archives/Gregory May)

NEWS AND UPDATES

Tribal Consultations Conclude this Month

The California Office of Historic Preservation has been hosting a series of regional public meetings to provide input regarding Native American Tribal access to the cultural resource information maintained by California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS). The objective of the meetings is to involve as many tribes in California as possible in the process of formulating a comprehensive, consistent, and coordinated policy for Tribal access to the CHRIS inventory. Consultations have already been held in Redding, Bakersfield and Riverside. The next scheduled meeting will be in Sacramento December 9. A teleconference meeting will take place December 11. Please visit our [CHRIS Tribal Access Policy](#)

[webpage](#) for complete information on meeting times, locations, and teleconference access.

New Nominations Posted for SHRC January Meeting

On January 28, 2015, the regularly scheduled meeting of the [State Historical Resources Commission](#) (SHRC) will be held in Sacramento. Scheduled for review by the SHRC are two Multiple Property Documents and nine individual nominations to the National Register of Historic Places, and one nomination to the California Register of Historical Resources. All nomination documents and meeting details are posted on the OHP's [Pending Nominations](#) webpage. The approved SHRC Meeting Agenda will be posted on January 16, 2015 on the [SHRC Meeting Schedule and Notices](#) webpage.

Planning for the 50th Anniversary of the NHPA!

The National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) will turn fifty years old in 2016. As part of the planning for this milestone anniversary, preservationists and the general public are invited to participate in a Preservation50 survey. The survey seeks to acquire feedback on proposed goals, objectives, and programs for the next fifty years of preserving America's heritage. To learn more about the NHPA's anniversary celebration and take part in the survey, visit www.preservation50.org.

CPF Strategic Plan Survey

The California Preservation Foundation (CPF) is inviting members and the preservation community at large to participate in their Strategic Plan Survey. The CPF is seeking input on how best to serve their constituency and set priorities for the future. The survey consists of 11 questions and should take 5-10 minutes to complete. Deadline for taking the survey is Friday, December 14. [Click here](#) to participate.

Still Accepting Nominations

The [Society for American Archaeology](#) (SAA) is still accepting nominations for the 2015 Award for Excellence in Public Education. The award recognizes and encourages outstanding programs or products that share archaeological knowledge and issues with the public. The 2015 award focus is Community and Public Programming. For nomination forms and program information, visit the [award page](#) of the SAA website. **Deadline for submitting nominations is January 10, 2015.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Free Webinars from the OHP

Our office, in partnership with the California Preservation Foundation (CPF), is offering a series of free webinars in 2015. The webinars address some of the topics and issues most often asked about the OHP and historic preservation in California. Click on the listings below for full details and registration information:

[Preparing Successful National Register Nominations - February 19, 2015](#)
[Consulting with the SHPO under Section 106 - May 14, 2015](#)

[Accessing the California Historical Resources Information System \(CHRIS\) - July 23, 2015](#)

California Preservation Foundation Workshops:

Workshops

Five Incentives for Preservation Projects - Pasadena, December 11, 2014

Visit the [CPF website](#) for registration information and to see CPF's full schedule of webinars and workshops for 2015.

Free Grant Writing Workshop

"Grant Writing for Preservation Projects to Enhance Collections Care" is a one-day workshop that addresses the needs and priorities of collections care, and the questions and requirements of the grant application process. The workshop is part of the [Californians Connecting to Collections Project](#), with funding for the workshop provided by the [Getty Foundation](#). The workshop is free, but does require preregistration. Click on the workshop dates below to register.

[December 11, 2014 - 9am-4pm](#)

Sacramento - Crocker Art Museum

[December 18, 2014 - 9am-4pm](#)

San Francisco - Wells Fargo History Museum

ACHP Training Schedule for 2015

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) announces the release of their 2015 Training schedule for Section 106. ACHP Section 106 training covers both essentials and advanced topics, and supports continuing education requirements for professional planners and architects. Early bird discounts and registration ends December 31, 2014. Visit the [ACHP training website](#) for registration and program details.

SCA 2015 Annual Meeting - March 12-15, 2015

The Society for California Archaeology will hold its annual meeting in Redding, California this next year. The theme is "Beyond Boundaries" and will feature a plenary session of papers co-authored by Native Americans and archaeologists. As explained on the Society's website, "Our hope is to facilitate important conversations about the relationship between Native Americans and archaeologists throughout the conference." Registration is now open with conference rates at the hotels available through February 17, 2015. Visit the [SCA website](#) for full conference and registration details.

Preservation is Local!

Highlighting organizations involved in preservation at the local and regional level

[Oakland Heritage Alliance](#) is a non-profit membership organization established in 1980 to advocate for the preservation, protection, and revitalization of Oakland's architectural, historic, cultural, and natural resources. The Alliance's advocacy and outreach efforts include educational programs, publications, direct action efforts,

and special events such as their house and buildings tours.

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

Banner images this month are of some of the recipients of the 2014 Governor's Historic Preservation Awards. Left to right: Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation Cultural Resources Committee; Lemon Grove History Mural; Mt Diablo Beacon; The Hallidie Building. Visit our [Awards](#) webpage for the full list of award recipients.

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