

# Preservation ePost

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**November is Native American Heritage Month.** Our banner image is of the Roundhouse at Indian Grinding Rock State Historic Park, Pine Grove, California. The park preserves an outcropping of marbleized limestone containing 1,185 mortar holes, the largest collection of bedrock mortars in North America. Generations of California Indians used the mortars (or Chaw'se) to grind acorns into meal. The park site has been, and continues to be, a place of cultural importance to tribal communities. The Roundhouse is used each year for social gatherings and ceremonial events, and is designated as California Historical Landmark No. 1001. Indian Grinding Rock State Historic Park is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. (Photo courtesy of Jennifer Bourn/Inspired Imperfection)

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**Awarding Excellence in Historic Preservation**



The Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) and California State Parks had the pleasure of presenting the 2017 Governor's Historic Preservation Awards at a special ceremony on November 2, 2017, in Sacramento, California. Seven projects and one individual received well-deserved recognition for their outstanding efforts on behalf of preserving California's heritage.

[La Neighbor: A Settlement House in Logan Heights](#)  
[Preserving and Processing the Valley Times Newspaper Photographs](#)  
[Salvaging the Past: A Case Study in Archaeological Inquiry](#)  
[City of Anaheim Mills Act Video Series](#)  
[Battleship Iowa Interactive Tour App](#)  
[The Galleon San Salvador: Creating a Seaworthy Replica](#)  
[The Carson Block Building Rehabilitation](#)  
[Carmen Lucas](#)

We extend our sincere appreciation to the following sponsors who made the awards ceremony possible:

[California Preservation Foundation](#)  
[Los Angeles Conservancy](#)  
[Save Our Heritage Organisation](#)  
[Society for California Archaeology](#)  
Kathryn Gualtieri

The Governor's Historic Preservation Awards is the only state-sponsored awards program in California and has honored excellence in preservation every year since 1986. Please visit the [Governor's Historic Preservation Awards](#) webpage to learn more about this important program. Images from the awards ceremony can be viewed on our [Flickr](#) site.

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**CLG Grants Awarded for 2017-2018**



Congratulations also are in order for the recipients of the 2017-2018 cycle of Certified Local Government Grants. The [Certified Local Government Program \(CLG\)](#) is a partnership among local governments, the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP), and the National Park Service (NPS). The program encourages the direct participation of local governments in the identification, evaluation, registration, and preservation of historic properties within their local jurisdictions. CLG grants support local preservation efforts.

The following California cities received 2017-2018 grants:

Benicia  
Los Angeles  
Riverside  
San Francisco

Visit our [Certified Local Government](#) webpage to learn about each of the awarded projects.

(Image: The City of Riverside received a grant to assist in the preparation of a citywide context and survey of historic properties associated with the city's Latino community.)

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## News and Updates

### **New Nominations Approved at SHRC Meeting**

The [State Historical Resources Commission](#) held their last quarterly meeting for 2017 on October 27 in Sacramento. The Commission heard and voted on six nominations for the National Register of Historic Places. One property also was approved for listing on the California Register of Historical Resources. Visit our [Actions Taken](#) page for a list of all nominated properties. SHRC meetings are live-streamed on the Cal-Span network. Indexed videos of each meeting are available through the [Cal-Span archives](#) and on the OHP [Meeting Minutes and Recordings](#) webpage.

Visit the National Register [Weekly Listings](#) webpage to see California properties most recently added to the National Register.

### **Los Angeles Among Recipients of Main Street Grants**

A Los Angeles Conservancy project to restore the historic [Formosa Cafe](#) was among the recipients of grants awarded through the [Partners in Preservation: Main Streets](#) initiative. American Express, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, National Geographic, and Main Street America joined together to provide grants to support the preservation of historic main street districts and resources nationwide. Grants were awarded based on public voting. Congratulations to all who supported the Formosa!

### **NCPTT Seeking Presentation Proposals**

The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT) has announced a [Call for Papers](#) for their upcoming symposium, [Are We There Yet: Preservation of Roadside Architecture and Attractions](#). The symposium will be held April 10-12, 2018, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The **deadline for proposals is December 1, 2017.**

### **Free Preservation Assessments from the CPP**

There is still time to apply for a free library and archives collection assessment from the [California Preservation Program \(CPP\)](#). The assessment is offered through the CPP's [California Preservation Assessment Project \(CPAP\)](#), and is a first step in helping small and mid-sized libraries and archives improve the care and preservation of permanent and historical collections. Nonprofit institutions and organizations, and public libraries, are invited to apply. The **application deadline is December 15, 2017.**

### **Templates Now Available for CLG Reports**

The template for the 2016-2017 CLG Annual Report, along with instructions, is now available on our [Certified Local Government](#) webpage. Also available is the template for the commissioner qualifications form. The **deadline for submitting reports is January 22, 2018.**

### **New Tribal Cultural Resources Project Established**

The [Native American Heritage Commission \(NAHC\)](#), in partnership with the [UCLA Native Nation's Law & Policy Center](#), recently announced the establishment of a [Tribal Cultural Resources Project \(TCR\)](#). The purpose of the TCR project is to provide cultural resources protection capacity-building for federally and non-federally recognized California tribes seeking to protect and reclaim their cultural resources. The first phase of the project will begin in the spring of 2018.

## Events and Education

### **NTHP Conference Available Virtually**

[PastForward](#), the annual conference of the National Trust for Historic Preservation is now offering free online access to conference programming. The sessions can be viewed via desktop, tablet, or mobile device. [Register now](#) to live stream the November 15-17, 2017 conference.

### **Registration Open for SCA 2018 Annual Meeting**

Early bird registration is now open for the [2018 Annual Meeting](#) of the [Society for California Archaeology \(SCA\)](#). Taking place March 8-11, 2018, in San Diego, the meeting is an opportunity to attend workshops and presentations on the latest research, approaches, and topics in archaeology.

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### **Did You Know....**

....the OHP website includes important and useful information about [Historic Contexts and Resource Surveys](#), including guidance on writing and formatting context statements. Our online [Historic Context Library](#) holds copies of statewide and local contexts with a variety of focus from historic districts to underserved communities, architecture, landscapes, and agriculture. Be sure to visit our contexts pages as you consider embarking on a survey and context project of your own.

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### **State Historical Resources Commission Meetings Scheduled for 2018:**

February 2 - Sacramento

May 17 - Palo Alto (in conjunction with the California Preservation Foundation Conference)

August 3 - (Location to be Determined)

October 26 - (Location to be Determined)

[Learn More](#) about Commission meetings, actions, and responsibilities.

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