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January 15 is [Martin Luther King, Jr. Day](#), recognizing the life and work of the renowned civil rights activist and peacemaker. Our banner image is of the [Friendship Baptist Church](#), Pasadena, California, where [King spoke](#) in 1960 and 1965 at the invitation of his friend and Friendship Baptist pastor Marvin T. Robinson. Constructed in 1925, Friendship Baptist Church is the oldest black Baptist church in Pasadena, and is listed on the [National Register of Historic Places](#).

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California Projects Receive NPS Grants



At year's end, the California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) learned that we are one of thirteen recipients of an Underrepresented Community Grant from the National Park Service. The grant will assist in the development of a historic context about the Native American experience in relation to the California mission system. In conjunction with the historic context, one mission nomination will be updated to reflect this important layer of history. We are honored to receive this grant and look forward to working with our Tribal partners on this very exciting endeavor.

The OHP sends our sincere congratulations to the [Pala Band of Mission Indians](#), San Diego County, as the other California grant recipient. We also congratulate the other eleven awardees and wish them well as they undertake their varied and interesting projects.

Telling these many stories so that we can appreciate the past, inform our present, and provide the tools for a successful future is so important to our collective community. What great news with which to start the new year!

Read the full [NPS Press Release](#) to learn about all of the grant awardees nationwide.

(Image: Mision La Purisima Concepcion de Maria Santisima, also known as La Purisima Mission, is one of the twenty-one missions founded by Franciscan missionaries during California's Spanish settlement era. Today, the mission buildings and gardens are part of [La Purisima Mission State Historic Park](#). Photo courtesy of California State Parks)

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News and Updates

New Slate of Nominations Set for SHRC Meeting

The first 2018 meeting of the [State Historical Resources Commission \(SHRC\)](#) is set for February 2, in Sacramento. Included among the agenda

items are nine National Register of Historic Places nominations and one California Register of Historical Resources nomination. Visit our [Pending Nominations](#) page to review nominated properties. Meeting times, locations, and agendas are found on our [SHRC Meeting Schedule and Notices](#) page (agendas are posted ten days prior to the meeting date). SHRC meetings are live-streamed in their entirety on the [Cal-Span network](#); past meeting videos can be accessed on our [SHRC Meeting Minutes and Recordings](#) page.

CLG Annual Report Deadline Approaching

There is still time to submit your Certified Local Government (CLG) Annual Report for 2016-2017. The report template, along with instructions, is now available on our [Certified Local Government](#) webpage. Also available is the template for the commissioner qualifications form. **Reports are due January 22, 2018.**

Nominate Excellence in Preservation!

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2018 Governor's Historic Preservation Awards. Do you know of a person, project, organization, or agency whose work exemplifies the best in historic preservation? Now is the time to recognize them! Visit our [Governor's Historic Preservation Awards](#) webpage for details and nomination forms. The **deadline for nominations is April 16, 2018.**

Victorian Society in America Accepting Nominations

The [Victorian Society in America](#) is still accepting nominations for their [annual awards](#) recognizing efforts to restore and preserve Victorian era buildings or artifacts. The nominated property must have been constructed between 1837 and 1917, and have listing on the National Register of Historic Places or on a state or local register. The **deadline for nominations is February 15, 2018.**

Save America's Treasures Grant Program Accepting Applications

The National Park Service (NPS), in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Humanities, is now accepting applications for \$5 million in matching grants through the [Save America's Treasures program](#). Established in 1998, the program is funded through the Historic Preservation Fund and supports the preservation of nationally significant historic properties and collections. In 2014, the American Architectural Foundation became the official nonprofit partner of the Save America's Treasures program. The **deadline for grant applications is February 21, 2018.**

Events and Education

California Preservation Foundation Workshops

January 25: [Accessible Design for Existing Buildings and Landscapes - Legal Insight, Case Examples](#) - San Francisco

January 26: [A Commissioner and Planner's Primer to the California Environmental Quality Act](#) - San Francisco

February 8: [The Preservationist Toolkit - The Basics of Preservation Planning, Technology, and Advocacy](#) - San Juan Capistrano

February 9: [Reinventing the Past: Adaptive Reuse Challenges and Successes](#) - Los Angeles

Historic Preservation Workshop, Monterey, February 2

The City of Monterey is hosting a [free workshop](#), utilizing historic resources of Monterey to address a variety of preservation topics relevant to all local communities. Capacity is limited so please RSVP to msalameh@monterey.org.

CAMSA Conference, Pleasanton, February 21-23

The [Annual Conference](#) of the [California Main Street Association \(CAMSA\)](#) is set for February 21-23, 2018, in Pleasanton. Hosted by the [Pleasanton Downtown Association](#), the conference provides an opportunity to share best practices and knowledge regarding the preservation and revitalization of historic downtowns. [Registration](#) is now open.

2018 OHP Local Government Workshops

We are pleased to announce the dates and locations for our first set of 2018 Local Government Workshops. Once again we are partnering with communities throughout the state to provide workshops that address a variety of preservation topics important to local governments. Click on the links below to be one of the first to register, and stay tuned for further details.

March 23: [City of Long Beach](#) (Topics TBD)

April 14: [City of Palm Springs](#) (Topics TBD)

June 8: [City of Eureka](#) (Topics TBD)

For questions or additional information, please contact [Ron Parsons](#) of our Local Government Unit.

SCA 2018 Annual Meeting, San Diego, March 8-11

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.

PastForward 2017 Videos Now Available

The National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP) held their 2017 PastForward conference in November in Chicago. Now the NTHP is making many of the conference sessions available on [PastForward 2017 Videos](#). Catch up on some of the latest topics and issues in preservation.

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Did You Know....

....we recently updated our [Sustainability](#) webpage. Visit this page for some of the latest information and best practices regarding topics such as historic buildings and energy efficiency standards, solar rights and historic preservation, and more. You can download a copy of our Sustainable Preservation Brochure, and the latest report on the value of building reuse from the Preservation Green Lab of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. In the age of climate change the importance of sustainable preservation is ever more apparent.

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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)

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