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## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

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### TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION QUARTERLY MEETING 9:00 AM-12:30 PM CT

The Texas Historical Commission is scheduled to conduct its quarterly meeting of the full Commission on Wednesday, February 3, 2021. The meeting will be held online and links to the broadcast will be provided for conference attendees and the public. Please note that committee meetings of the Commission will be held the preceding day. The Commission and committee meetings are public meetings, and conference registration is not required to attend or to provide public testimony as permitted.

### TOOLS FOR YOUR DOWNTOWN: TAX CREDITS AND THE NATIONAL REGISTER

9:30 AM-11:45 AM CT

Speakers: **Jenny Hay**, ScoutSA Program Manager (Survey, Designation & Historic Assessments), City of San Antonio, Office of Historic Preservation; **Austin Lukes**, Tax Credit Project Reviewer, Texas Historical Commission; **Valerie Magolan**, Tax Credit Project Reviewer, Texas Historical Commission; **Greg Smith**, Federal Programs Coordinator, Texas Historical Commission; **Caroline Wright**, Program Coordinator, Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program, Texas Historical Commission

Explore the benefits of National Register of Historic Places designation and historic tax credits for the preservation and rehabilitation of historic buildings in your downtown. THC staff will present the basics of the National Register and historic tax credit programs, eligibility requirements, application processes, and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Historic Rehabilitation. Case studies will demonstrate how the National Register and tax credit programs can collectively be used to bolster community redevelopment and generate economic vitality.

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### CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS 1

#### INTERPRETING CHURCHES IN TEXAS

10:30 AM-11:45 AM CT

Speaker: **Ted Eubanks**, Fermata, Inc.

Historic churches and religious places have been largely underappreciated as opportunities for historic interpretation in Texas. This session will discuss the ways that interpretation of churches and religious spaces differ from interpretation of traditional historic places and events, as well as ways to approach the religious community to openly discuss interpretive opportunities and how interpretation can ensure that the messages most important to the church and parish are accurately communicated to the public.

#### THE LEGACY OF TEXAS ROADSIDE PARKS

10:30 AM-11:45 AM CT

Speakers: **Renee Benn**, Historian, Texas Department of Transportation; **Sandra Chipley**, Landscape Architect, Texas Department of Transportation; **Jason Dupree**, Director of Maintenance, Atlanta District, Texas Department of Transportation

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In 1933, a young immigrant from the Netherlands was hired as the Texas Highway Department's first landscape architect. His role in the development of the Texas roadside left Texans with a legacy of roadside parks across the state. These "places to stop" provided welcome relief from the unairconditioned, fast foodless open roads in the early days of automobile travel. TxDOT's "Texas Roadside Parks Study: Historic Context and National Register Requirements" provides a history of the development and evolution of Texas' roadside parks and rest areas from 1930 to 2015. The session will provide a brief history of TxDOT's influential landscape architect and Texas' roadside parks. Join us to also learn how you can partner with TxDOT to help maintain your local roadside park, as some are threatened with limited maintenance funds and lack of use.

#### SUCCESSFUL DIGITAL MEDIA STRATEGIES FOR PROMOTING HERITAGE TRAVEL

10:30 AM-11:45 AM CT

Speakers: **Justin Minsker**, Historic Sites Communications Coordinator, Texas Historical Commission; **Natalie Moore**, Product and Engagement Manager, Texas Highways Magazine

Learn about successful outreach campaigns and strategies for promoting travel and economic development through digital outreach channels. Attendees will gain best practices in building impactful digital media strategies through social media, e-newsletters, and website engagement. Panelists will discuss case studies from past successful outreach campaigns promoting heritage travel throughout Texas. Presenters will provide audience insights on how to target key individuals when building outreach campaigns. Attendees will learn about impactful digital messaging and visual assets to build an engaged audience online.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

### TEXAS COURTHOUSE STEWARDSHIP ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

10:30 AM-11:45 AM CT

Speakers: **James Malanaphy**, Architect and Project Reviewer, Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program, Texas Historical Commission; **Susan Tietz**, Program Coordinator, Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program, Texas Historical Commission

Join your fellow Courthouse Stewards online for a lively, open discussion with the THC's courthouse staff. Find out whether your problems are unique or just the same as the next guy's. We want to hear your views about what works and what doesn't in the field of facility maintenance. Network with courthouse preservation partners to better understand the preservation industry and how your peers are working toward successful maintenance and preservation outcomes.

Be sure to participate in Friday's keynote session, where one deserving county will be recognized with an award for its courthouse stewardship efforts.

### OPENING KEYNOTE: MORE THAN WORDS RETHINKING OUR WORK AND OUR WORLD IN TIMES OF CHANGE

1:00 PM-2:00 PM CT



Speaker: **Linda Norris**, Senior Specialist, Methodology and Practice, International Coalition of Sites of Conscience

Ready or not, last year every organization faced never-before-seen changes. All of us have been presented with multiple challenges and new opportunities. How do we transform desires for change and public statements into action? Sites of Conscience from the U.S. and across the world use historic places to create community connections and deep engagement. Their shared goal of creating a more just future can inspire on both local and global levels. Together, we can build more vital communities, bridge differences, and understand the historic and contemporary global threads that connect us all.

### MEET THE OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

2:00 PM-2:30 PM CT

#### Chat Room

Speaker: **Linda Norris**, Senior Specialist, Methodology and Practice, International Coalition of Sites of Conscience

Join colleagues and Linda Norris after the keynote session to discuss what you heard and ask questions.

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## CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS 2

### WOOD CONDITION ASSESSMENT

2:30 PM-3:45 PM CT

Speaker: **Ron Anthony**, President and Wood Scientist, Anthony & Associates, Inc.

Please join Friday's keynote speaker, Ron Anthony, for the first of three breakout sessions on the use and maintenance of wood in historic structures.

Wood has performed well in buildings for hundreds of years when protected from the deleterious effects of moisture and biological deterioration. Many timber buildings in Texas used locally available species for framing, walls, and decorative elements. Architects, engineers, preservationists, and conservators need to have a basic understanding of wood properties (both of locally available and more commonly used species), mechanisms of deterioration, and how to conduct a condition assessment to make informed repair and replacement decisions on historic wood in buildings. There are three primary reasons to conduct a wood condition assessment:

1. concerns about moisture and its effects
2. deterioration (both physical and biological)
3. a need to know material properties (strength)

This presentation will give an overview of these basic principles as they apply to historic structures.

### NONPROFIT GOVERNANCE—THE WHY AND THE HOW

2:30 PM-3:45 PM CT

Speakers: **Jacqui Schraad**, Executive Director, Texas State History Museum Foundation; **Anjali Zutshi**, Chief Development Officer/Executive Director, Texas Historical Commission/Friends of the THC

Many smaller nonprofits are run by volunteer boards and do not have staff. Time is limited, and sometimes the volunteer leadership does not have the experience or the resources to create effective and strong frameworks to guide the workings of the nonprofits. This session provides an overview of how boards and staff of small and mid-sized organizations can proactively build a strong governance infrastructure to help them become more effective and sustainable.

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## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

### CONCURRENT BREAKOUT 2 SESSIONS CONTINUED

#### IF THESE WALLS COULD TALK: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WITHIN THE SETTING OF A HISTORIC HOUSE MUSEUM

2:30 PM-3:45 PM CT

Speakers: **Jennifer Cumberbatch**, Actor, Storyteller, Founder, JR Cumberbatch Productions; **Rowena Dasch**, Executive Director, Neill-Cochran House Museum; Ginger Geyer, Visual Artist

The three primary partners in the 2020 If These Walls Could Talk project hosted by the Neill-Cochran House Museum in Austin will lead a discussion about the collaboration, including: lessons learned about collaborating with different stakeholders; the participants' work to bring the exhibition to the widest community possible; takeaways from a multi-media project staged in a historic space; the opportunities provided by technology to engage with audiences while closed due to the COVID-19 crisis; and the need and opportunity for historic sites to engage in contemporary conversations on race and equity, as well as the ways in which we as a community can reinforce the relevancy of history in understanding our present.

#### VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE FRENCH LEGATION STATE HISTORIC SITE

4:00 PM-5:00 PM CT

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We've got something special planned for your Wednesday wind-down.

The French Legation State Historic Site is reopening after an extensive restoration and visitor enhancement project. If we were together in Austin, we would kick off the 2021 conference onsite. But we can still take you there virtually. After recognition of this year's recipients of the Friends Alliance Awards, join us online as we show you around and give you a sneak peek at one of the newest state historic sites in the Texas Historical Commission's portfolio.

At the end of the virtual tour there will be a Q&A session with architect Chris Hutson, Chief Curator Laura DeNormandie, and Director of Historic Sites Operations Ellen Cone Busch.

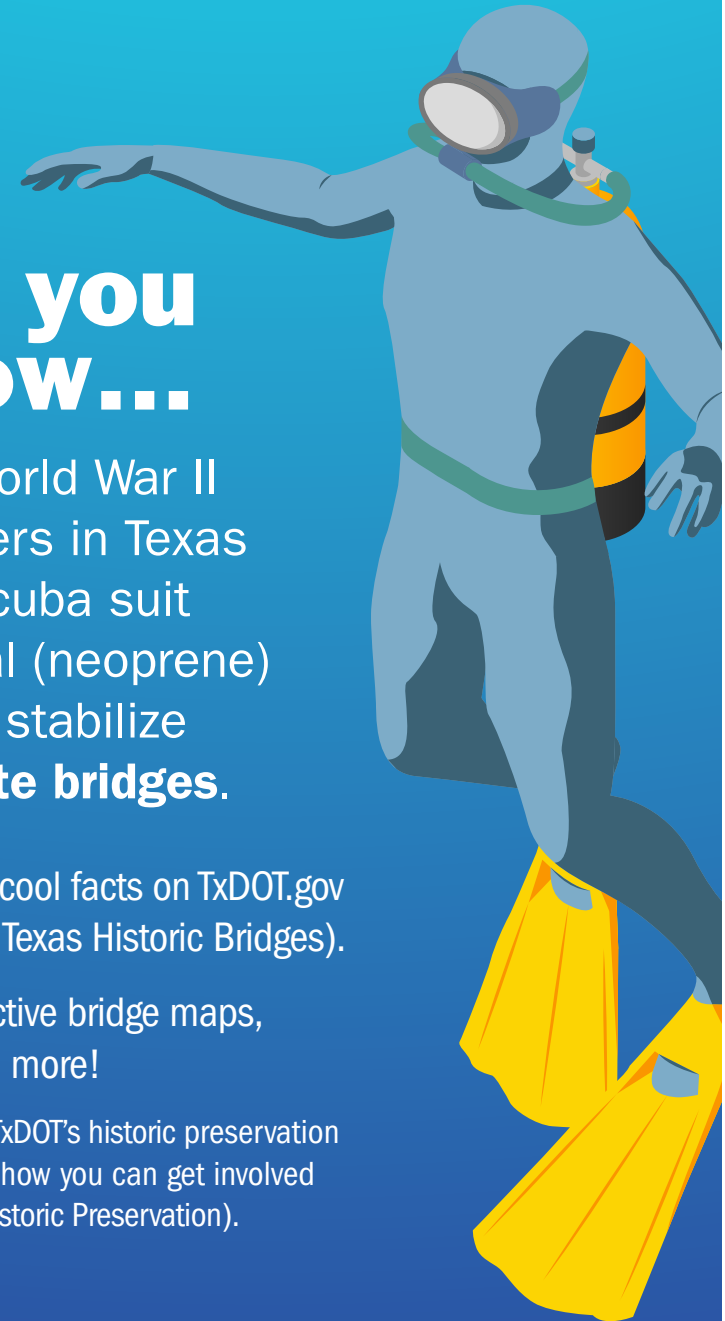
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After World War II engineers in Texas used scuba suit material (neoprene) to help stabilize **concrete bridges**.

Find other cool facts on [TxDOT.gov](https://www.txdot.gov) (keywords: Texas Historic Bridges).

See interactive bridge maps, videos and more!

Learn about TxDOT's historic preservation process and how you can get involved (keywords: Historic Preservation).



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## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

### CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS 3

#### VISITING TEXAS: HOW AFRICAN AMERICANS TRAVELED SAFELY

10:00 AM-11:15 AM CT

Speakers: **Tara Dudley**, Lecturer, School of Architecture, The University of Texas at Austin; **Leslie Wolfenden**, Historic Resources Survey Coordinator, Texas Historical Commission

Travel in the early and mid-20th century could be hazardous for Black businessmen and families. While automobiles created opportunities to visit family and friends and to expand recreational pursuits, the reality of segregation limited African American travel. Since U.S. cities had different places where Black travelers were accepted and accommodated, travelers not familiar with the area they were visiting could have difficulty locating a safe place to eat, stay, or obtain other services. A number of guidebooks aimed at the Black traveler began publication in the early 20th century to help navigate the obstacles presented by long-distance automobile travel. Today, preservationists are documenting those places associated with Black travel. Learn about the different guidebooks, like the popular Negro Motorist Green Book, and the ways these properties are researched across Texas.

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN HISTORIC CEMETERIES

10:00 AM-11:15 AM CT

Speaker: **Jeff Campbell**, Executive Director, Plano Conservancy; **Carlyn Copeland Hammons**, Cemetery Preservation Program Specialist, Texas Historical Commission

Have you ever driven down the road and seen an old cemetery with a dilapidated fence and overgrown with brush and weeds? You probably thought someone should do something about it. Well that someone is you. Nothing in historic preservation expresses the bottom-up philosophy like a local historic cemetery.

The Plano Conservancy offers innovative educational programs designed to keep local history relevant and engaging for an increasingly diverse community. This session will highlight the organization's cemetery-focused programming. Treating local cemeteries as outdoor and participatory museums has led to an increased awareness of the importance of these sites, cultivated a deeper appreciation for local history, and sparked meaningful restoration efforts.

Let's talk about engaging cemetery descendants, getting youth groups involved, funding, and turning a forgotten space into a community asset that serves both residents and tourists.

#### HISTORIC PRESERVATION: EXTENDING USEFUL LIFE OF EXISTING WOOD STRUCTURES

10:00 AM-11:15 AM CT

Speaker: **Ron Anthony**, President and Wood Scientist, Anthony & Associates, Inc.

Please join Friday's keynote speaker, Ron Anthony, for another breakout session on the use and maintenance of wood in historic structures.

Wood structures that have lasted generations are a testimony to the fact that wood is a durable and long-lasting structural material. Existing structures offer significant historical value. The ability to reduce building repair costs by preserving as much original fabric as possible helps to secure that value. Building materials and construction practices have changed over time, but wood as a biological material has not.

This presentation will assist building stewards, architects, engineers, and contractors responsible for preserving existing wood structures by discussing the basics of wood as a construction material, determining the condition of wood elements in a historic structure, discussing the factors affecting wood performance, and understanding how to extend the life of the structure. Thoughts on repair and replacement materials, as well as specifications, will also be presented.



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### THURSDAY KEYNOTE RETHINKING HISTORIC PRESERVATION FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

11:30 AM-1:00 PM CT

Speaker: **Robert Stanton**, Former Director, National Park Service

Robert Stanton will provide an overview of the historic preservation movement in the U.S. as manifested in the establishment and management of local, state, and national historical parks, as well as the preservation of historical resources in the private sector. He will briefly highlight some of the major influences on historic preservation, including the Antiquities Act, National Park Service Act, National Historic Sites Act, Land and Water Conservation Fund, National Historic Preservation Act, Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Act, and Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act. He will also present examples of several federal programs that provide financial and technical assistance to further historic preservation at the local, state, and national levels.

Stanton will then offer perspectives and recommendations for improving and sustaining the historic preservation movement for the 21st century. Specific opportunities and challenges will be discussed, including:

1. expanding research, documentation, and preservation of diverse historical resources
2. telling the full story of all people, their struggles, sacrifices, courage, leadership, and contributions to the development of the U.S.
3. increasing the participation of a broader spectrum of the diverse American citizenry in historic preservation
4. expanding opportunities for the participation of our youth in historic preservation and a wide range of cultural-heritage programs
5. expanding the use of historic resources for teaching, learning, and inspiration for all the American people toward building better communities, a better nation, and a better world

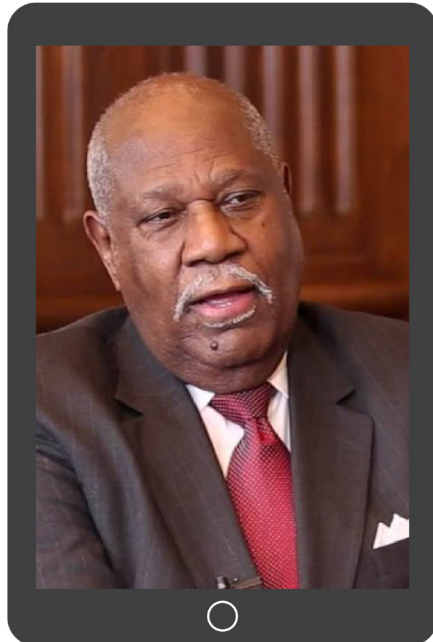
### MEET THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER

1:00 PM-1:30 PM CT

Chat Room

Speaker: **Robert Stanton**, Former Director, National Park Service

Join colleagues and Robert Stanton after the keynote session to discuss what you heard and ask questions.



### CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS 4

#### HEALING COMMUNITY TRAUMA AT HISTORIC SITES

1:30 PM-2:45 PM CT

Speakers: **Rachel Galan**, Assistant Site Manager, Caddo Mounds State Historic Site, Texas Historical Commission; **Machelle Wood**, Education and Public Programming Coordinator, Magoffin Home State Historic Site, Texas Historical Commission

It is not uncommon for historic sites to interpret natural and manmade disasters in a historical context, but it is uncommon for historic site staff to live through these disasters, grapple with interpreting them, and take on the task of community healing. On two occasions in 2019, THC State Historic Sites found themselves in this position. On April 13, 2019, Caddo Mounds State Historic Site was devastated by an EF3 tornado during the annual Caddo Culture Day. On this day in the rural town of Alto, people and property were devastated. On August 3, 2019, the Magoffin Home State Historic Site was faced with this challenge in the wake of a mass shooting in its El Paso community. The shooting is now considered the deadliest attack on Latinos in modern American history. This session will provide insights into how these two very different sites, faced with very different disasters, have taken on the challenge of community healing.

#### STRAIGHT FROM THE SOURCE: A FUNDERS' PANEL

1:30 PM-2:45 PM CT

Speakers: **Mike McCoy**, Senior Program Officer, Meadows Foundation, Inc.; **Ellen Ray**, Executive Director, Still Water Foundation; **Anjali Zutshi**, Chief Development Officer/Executive Director, Texas Historical Commission/Friends of the THC

This session will provide organizations seeking funding for preservation-related projects and programs with insight from the funder's perspective into the consideration/evaluation process of requests, especially in the current COVID-19 environment. The pandemic has impacted how foundations, corporations, and individuals give, and how crises impact giving priorities. Attendees will hear from funders about what cultural and arts organizations can do to present the strongest possible request for support, even as non-frontline organizations.

#### UNDERSTANDING MOISTURE PERFORMANCE OF WOOD: INTRODUCTION TO DURABLE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

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1:30 PM-2:45 PM CT

Speaker: **Ron Anthony**, President and Wood Scientist, Anthony & Associates, Inc.

Please join Friday's keynote speaker, Ron Anthony, for another breakout session on the use and maintenance of wood in historic structures.

Wood buildings that provide decades or more of service life are common in many parts of the country that face challenges of high humidity, termites, and decay conditions similar to those in Texas. This session presents possible improvements to design, construction, and maintenance practices that are a natural outcome of understanding wood's relationship to moisture. Topics of discussion include wood's response to relative humidity and liquid water, providing means to address decay and insect concerns, and reducing the potential for in-service shrinkage and swelling. Attendees will learn how to apply appropriate design considerations and develop specifications to achieve high-performing, long-lasting historic wood buildings.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

### THURSDAY NETWORKING AND SOCIAL EVENTS

3:00 PM-5:30 PM CT

Join us for a variety of networking and social spaces. In these virtual rooms, you can gather with old and new friends, coming and going as you please.

- Award Reception Room (3:00 PM-4:00 PM CT): Recipients of the THC Preservation Awards will be recognized prior to each keynote session, and recipients of the Friends Alliance Awards will be honored before the French Legation tour. In this special social event, we will be able to meet and hear from the award winners.
- County Historical Commission Networking Room (3:30 PM-5:00 PM CT)
- Courthouse Stewards Networking Room (4:00 PM-4:45 PM CT)
- Cemetery Appreciation Networking Room (4:00-4:45 PM CT)



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## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

### CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS 5

#### GRANDVIEW CEMETERY'S GRASSROOTS REVITALIZATION: LAUNCHING A NEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

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10:00 AM-11:15 AM CT

Speakers: **Randall Haynes**, Senior Planning Administrator, Historic Preservation Officer, City of Bryan; **Theresa Wright**; **Jenny McWilliams**, Cemetery Preservation Program Coordinator, Texas Historical Commission

Grandview Cemetery in Bryan was in terrible condition. Roads throughout the cemetery were impassable due to potholes and fallen trees, high vegetation obscured dangerously sunken graves, and the back of the cemetery was used as a tire dump. To make things worse, the owner was taking payments for burials, but did not have legal authority over the cemetery. One descendant, Theresa Wright, could not stand it anymore and she was ready to take this project on as her own. With the help of the City of Bryan, legal ownership was sorted out; city maintenance crews took care of the safety and road access issues; and through the formation of a cemetery association and 501c(3), partnerships and fundraising will ensure many years of preservation.

#### GETTING COMFORTABLE WITH BEING UNCOMFORTABLE

10:00 AM-11:15 AM CT

Speaker: **Linda Norris**, Senior Specialist, Methodology and Practice, International Coalition of Sites of Conscience

Please join Wednesday's keynote speaker, Linda Norris, for a breakout session on how organizations can navigate change.

The past year has brought many difficult changes to our organizations. We have struggled with access, with a new virtual world, and with accountability to movements for social justice. In this session, you'll learn specific strategies on ways to help organizational teams manage challenging situations. How can you let go of old ideas, enter into experimentation as a critical process, and even embrace failures that happen along the way?

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#### CERTIFIABLY IMPORTANT: THE CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAM

10:00 AM-11:15 AM CT

Speakers: **Megan Brown**, Chief – State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants, National Park Service; **Maria Mougridis**, CLG Specialist, Texas Historical Commission; **Lorelei Willett**, Certified Local Government Program Coordinator, Texas Historical Commission

To be a Certified Local Government (CLG) is to be a part of a federal network of city and county preservation programs that have exclusive access to certain resources from the National Park Service (NPS) and the Texas Historical Commission (THC). In this session, representatives from both the NPS and the THC will explore the CLG program on a national and state level, including requirements and benefits of becoming a CLG and how the program has expanded and enriched communities that participate. We will look at examples of CLGs from across the country and the state, while discussing how the CLG program and access to resources such as grant funds helped these communities accomplish their preservation goals.



## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

### CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS 5 CONTINUED

#### USING INFRARED THERMOGRAPHY FOR HISTORIC BUILDING ASSESSMENTS

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10:00 AM-11:15 AM CT

Speaker: **Priya Jain**, AIA, Associate Director, Center for Heritage Conservation, Texas A&M University

This session serves as an introduction to incorporating the non-destructive technique of infrared thermal imaging in historic preservation. A variety of tools, survey methods, and post-processing techniques will be explained and demonstrated during the workshop. The goal is to tailor the vast field of infrared thermography to its strategic use for historic preservation and detection of existing conditions and defects.

### CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS 6

#### DEMYSTIFYING PRESERVATION: PRODUCING INNOVATIVE, ACCESSIBLE OUTREACH MATERIALS

12:00 PM-1:15 PM CT

Speakers: **Cara Bertron**, Deputy Preservation Officer, City of Austin; **Cory Edwards**, Deputy Historic Preservation Officer, City of San Antonio; **Amber Rojas Varona**, Manager, Downtown Tyler Texas (Main Street Program), City of Tyler

The values behind historic preservation are easy to grasp: preservation is about heritage, community, and stewardship change in places where people live and work. However, the preservation regulation and official processes that facilitate that stewardship can be complex and difficult to explain. This session will dig into how to reach community members with clear, accessible educational materials on historic preservation processes and local history.

#### MILLENNIALS AND BEYOND

12:00 PM-1:15 PM CT

Speakers: **Jennifer Blanks**, Doctoral Candidate, Urban & Regional Science, Texas A&M University; **Schuyler Carter**, Doctoral Candidate, Urban & Regional Science, Texas A&M University; **Jason Rivas**, Graduate Student, Texas State University

The study and practice of history marches along with every passing generation. However, younger generations present new challenges to the traditional ways of preserving history. What can be done to welcome a new generation of historians into preservation? This session features young professionals discussing topics, techniques, and methods to generate renewed interest in historic preservation. What subjects catch their attention? Which platforms are needed to reach them, and how can we deliver experiences and engagement to make history more accessible?

Research indicates that millennials are interested in history but prefer to experience it at historic sites or explore it through the lens of technology. Sometimes that experience can be a social one, such as visiting historic hotels or restaurants, and other times it can be through arts, crafts, and shopping. Younger generations do not want to experience history from the outside looking in, but rather as part of the marching historical continuum.

#### SHOW ME THE MONEY: HOW TO GET A GRANT FROM THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

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12:00 PM-1:15 PM CT

Speakers: **Megan Brown**, Chief – State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants, National Park Service; **Lisa Hart**, HIM ESHPF Program Coordinator, Texas Historical Commission; **Lisa Harvell**, Program Coordinator, Texas Preservation Trust Fund Program, Texas Historical Commission

Funding for preservation projects is a continuous struggle, with many local preservation groups having small budgets allocated to projects. However, the National Park Service (NPS) has a wide range of grants available through the Historic Preservation Fund. This session will give an overview of available grants through NPS such as Underrepresented Community, Civil Rights, and Save America's Treasures, as well as funds that are available in conjunction with the Texas Historical Commission such as the Texas Preservation Trust Fund and Certified Local Government grants. In addition, learn details on how to prepare an effective grant proposal.

#### COURTHOUSE STEWARDSHIP FACILITY MANAGEMENT

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12:00 PM-1:15 PM CT

Speakers: **James Malanaphy**, Architect and Project Reviewer, Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program, Texas Historical Commission; **Al Peeler**, Building Maintenance Manager, Grimes County

There is a world of difference between Texas counties' ability to plan for and to pay for ongoing and emergency maintenance of their historic county courthouses. Managing a preventative maintenance program is a common challenge for property owners, including municipalities, museum owners, commercial and public building owners, and private homeowners. This session will share the experience of Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program facility managers who have developed preventative maintenance programs for their historic properties.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

**CLOSING KEYNOTE**  
**PRESERVING HISTORIC WOOD STRUCTURES**

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**1:30 PM-2:45 PM CT**

Speaker: **Ron Anthony**, President and Wood Scientist, Anthony & Associates, Inc.

Wood structures that have lasted for decades or centuries across the world are a testimony to the fact that wood is a durable and long-lasting structural material. But each structure exhibits its own challenges for preservation. Examples of challenges can be:

- identifying the type of wood that was used (Angkor Wat)
- understanding the architect's intent (Salk Institute)
- accessing the structure (Cable Mountain Draw Works at Zion National Park and Keane Wonder Mine at Death Valley National Park)
- finding replacement material (Gustav Stickley's Craftsman Farms)
- designing repairs for longevity (Francois Stahly's Labyrinth Sculpture)

The examples presented illustrate many of the challenges preservation specialists, architects, engineers, and others face on a regular basis. The thought process and interdisciplinary approach to these historic structures may make addressing our project challenges a bit easier.



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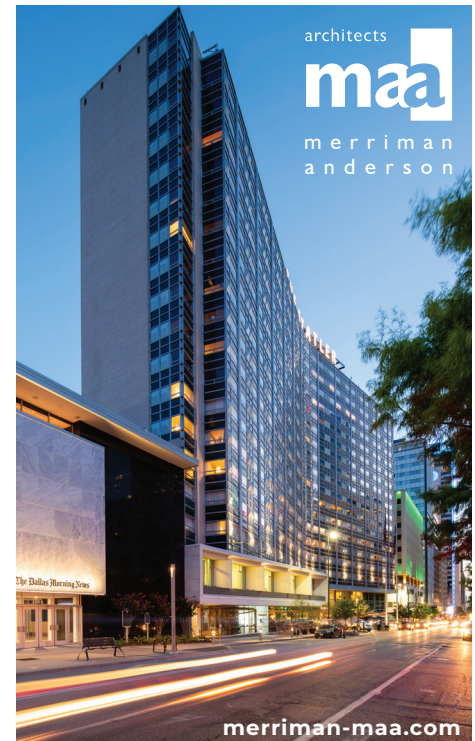
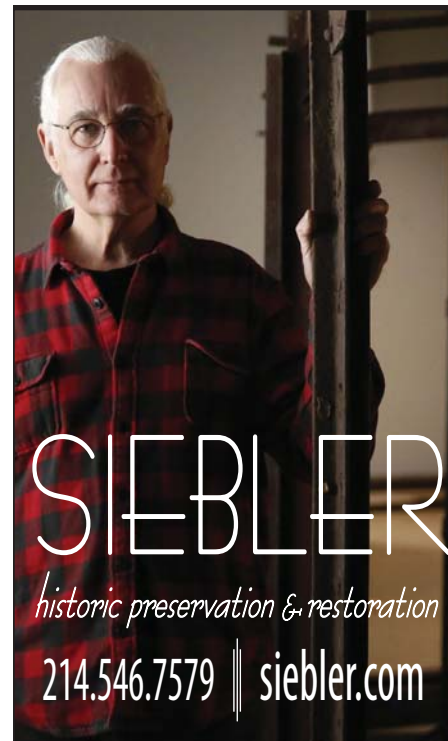
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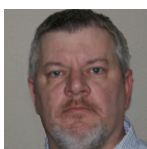
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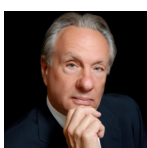
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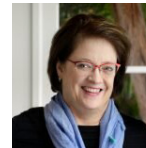
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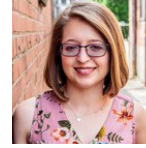
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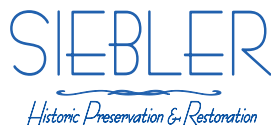
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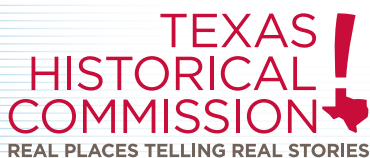


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