2018 Citation of Merit Recipients

On Thursday, June 7, the Oklahoma Historical Society’s State Historic Preservation Office presented its 2018 Citations of Merit during a banquet at the Mayo Hotel. The banquet was a highlight of Preservation in Progress: Oklahoma’s 30th Annual Statewide Preservation Conference, held June 6-8 in Tulsa.

Twenty-one citations were presented for accomplishments in twelve Oklahoma communities. The award recognizes efforts to preserve Oklahoma’s historic properties through restoration, rehabilitation, research, planning, public programming and other activities.

The 2018 recipients of the SHPO’s Citations of Merit and their accomplishments include:

Ron Frantz; Randy McFarlin; Kandy Steeples; and The University of Oklahoma’s Fall 2016 Historic Preservation Planning and Historic Buildings of Oklahoma Class for the creation of a preservation report for the Frank House designed by Bruce Goff.

Berryhill Housing Partners, LP; Preservation and Design Studio, PLLC; and Wallace Architects, LLC, for the rehabilitation of the Berryhill Building located in Sapulpa.

Lawrence and Gene LeVick for their work in documenting and protecting archeological sites in the state of Oklahoma.

Parkside Optical - Dr. Brad Fielding for the rehabilitation of the Parkside Optical building located in Edmond.

Oklahoma Department of Transportation and Mead & Hunt, Inc. for their documentation of New Deal resources in Oklahoma as well as the publication A New Deal for Oklahoma: Bridge and Road Building in the Depression Era.

Page Woodson Development, LLC; Ray, Ellis & LaBrie Consulting; Butzer Architects and Urbanism; and Smith Dalia Architects, LLC, for the rehabilitation of the (Old) Douglass High School in Oklahoma City.

City of Altus; Ron Frantz; Hope Mander; and The University of Oklahoma’s Spring 2017 Class of Environmental Design Capstone for the preparation of proposals for the rehabilitation of the Altus City Reservoir.

Will Rogers Housing Partners, LP; Preservation and Design Studio, PLLC; and Wallace Architects, LLC, for the rehabilitation of the Will Rogers Hotel in downtown Claremore.

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Oklahoma Department of Transportation and Mead & Hunt, Inc. for their publication entitled *Bridging the Mighty Red: Red River Crossings between Oklahoma and Texas*.

Midtown – 1101 Broadway, LLC; Preservation and Design Studio, PLLC; and Fitzsimmons Architects for the rehabilitation of the Buick Motor Company Building in downtown Oklahoma City.

Pryor Public Schools and The Stacy Group for the rehabilitation of the 1953 elementary school for administrative offices.

City of Edmond Public Works for the restoration of the 1936 WPA Old Edmond Armory.

Rock Island Plow, LLC, and Allford Hall Monaghan Morris for the rehabilitation of the Rock Island Plow Company Building in Bricktown in Oklahoma City.

The University of Oklahoma and Bockus Payne Architecture for the renovation of Hester Hall on the campus of The University of Oklahoma.

Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department; GH2 Architects, LLC; and Axis Builders for the preservation of the Osage Hills Park Pavilion constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Red Brick Capital Management, LLC; Rosin Preservation, LLC; and Fritz Bailey Architecture Interiors Planning for the rehabilitation work completed at 18-20 South Lewis Avenue located in Tulsa.

Belmont Investments and Paul Uttinger for the rehabilitation of the Belmont Apartment Building in Tulsa.

Preservation Strategies, LLC, and Spencer Preservation for the meticulous rehabilitation of the early Bruce Goff designed McGregor House located in Tulsa.

Northeastern State University; GH2 Architects, LLC; and Turn Key Construction Management, Inc. for the preservation of Wilson Hall on the campus of Northeastern State University in Tahlequah.

Endeavor Holdings, LLC, and Selser Schaefer Architects for the rehabilitation of Swinney Hardware Company Building in Whittier Square located in Tulsa.

**Mysteries of the Mansion** tours have begun at the Overholser Mansion, 7pm every third Thursday through October.

**Mysteries of the Mansion** is a unique and special tour that explores some of the behind-the-scenes history and spaces not typically on a regular Overholser Mansion tour. Overholser Museum Coordinator Lisa Escalon will be leading this tour and will share interesting stories of the mansion and the Overholser family history. These events are offered for $20, with a special discount for Preservation Oklahoma members.

Visit preservationok.org for more details and to purchase tickets.
Preservation Oklahoma, Inc. (POK) announced the 2018 list of Oklahoma’s Most Endangered Historic Places at the Page Woodson Community Room on Monday, May 7. Since 1993, Preservation Oklahoma has recognized historic sites across the state at risk of demolition or deterioration, raising awareness of the need to protect Oklahoma’s historic resources. While inclusion on the list does not guarantee protection or funding, it can be a key component in mobilizing support for the preservation of historic sites.

“We hope to raise awareness about the historic sites and preservation issues addressed in this list, which has historically been a powerful mechanism for saving significant buildings and structures,” says Cayla Lewis, Executive Director. “This year, we are also sharing success stories through this list, as a way to showcase the preservation efforts made by many across the state. We hope that the sites on this list will have a positive impact from inclusion.”

This list was selected by a group of preservation professionals from nominations submitted by the public. An exhibit of the 2018 list will travel to numerous locations across the state to continue the discussion about the need to preserve these historic buildings. The Kirkpatrick Foundation and the Cherokee Nation generously funded the event and traveling exhibit.

The 2018 List of Oklahoma’s Most Endangered Historic Places are:

**Edwards Store, Red Oak:** Edwards Store, established in 1850, is one of the few remaining original structures that were stage stops on the Butterfield Overland mail and stage line from St. Louis to San Francisco from 1858 to 1861. Stage passengers were served meals at this location. Thomas Edwards established the trading post on the Fort Smith-Boggy Depot Road, and it later became the original post office and site of the town of Red Oak. The structure is of “dog trot” design typical of the 19th century and built from hewn logs. Edwards Store is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Edwards Store was on the Most Endangered Places list in 2013.

**Drown Family Farm, Baum:** This property provides a unique look at early settlement life in Oklahoma, during the period of Indian Territory, before statehood and after and has been in the Drown Family since 1939, located in the unincorporated community of Baum in Carter County. The early history of the property is centered on notable Chickasaw citizen, John Thomas, who was believed to have received the property as his allotment for being a Chickasaw citizen. This area that became Oklahoma was a part of the French Empire between 1682 and 1763 and again in 1800. The United States acquired the territory in 1803 as part of the Louisiana Purchase, and many of the structures on this property date between the periods of 1820 and 1840.

**Edwards Store, Photo: Michael Duncan**
The property has been vacant for the past 15 years and nature has begun reclaiming the grounds and structures. The impact to the community is to preserve a piece of early history that not only affects Oklahoma but also the Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations and the United States.

**Esslinger Home, Broken Arrow:** Home of J. Houston and Dora Esslinger, this home was built in 1911 on the western edge of the new Haskell State School of Agriculture campus. W.R. Sullivan, who owned a local brick company, handpicked bricks for this house. Esslinger was the first president of the college. In 1916, the president’s home served as a dorm for about 30 girls as well as the president and his family. This house resides on College Street, originally named for the college, and is now the only remaining property related to the school. Community leaders hope that with the inclusion of this list, they can build community support and preserve their heritage.

**Haskell County Courthouse, Stigler:** The Haskell County Courthouse was built in the Art Deco style in Stigler, Oklahoma. It is currently the hub for local county government but has lost its original majesty and may be subject to closure due to its outdated heating and cooling system. This structure also has historical significance for its controversial move of the Ten Commandments monument, originally on the lawn of the courthouse but was thought to conflict with separation of church and state so was moved 600 feet east to private property. Haskell County Courthouse was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.

**Founders National Bank, Oklahoma City:** The Founders Bank building is one of Oklahoma City’s best examples of mid-century modern architecture, and it’s the only known design of the architect and former Bruce Goff student, Bob Bowlby, in the area. Although the building was expanded in the 1990s, it remains a beloved local icon and an incredibly fresh design today. The Bank of America that was a long-term tenant in the former Founders National Bank building moved out of the space in 2017, and the property was listed for sale that October. The structure sits in the middle of a large undeveloped lot, and the fear is that a developer will buy the building and demolish it in favor of new development.

**WestHope, Tulsa:** WestHope is one of only three Frank Lloyd Wright designed buildings in Oklahoma. Built in 1929 for his cousin, Richard Lloyd Jones, WestHope is larger than most Frank Lloyd Wright designed houses, containing over 8,000 square feet of floor space. WestHope was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1975; WestHope was also on the Most Endangered Places list in 2014.

**Route 66 Signs, Statewide:** Route 66, the Mother Road, has many historic structures along its nearly 375-mile route across Oklahoma. Tourists from all over the United States and beyond travel along Route 66 hoping to catch a glimpse of yesteryear and feed their nostalgic dreams of simpler times. Many Route 66 signs are well cared for by thoughtful owners, but so many others are being neglected or are poorly maintained by owners who may not realize the joy they bring to passing motorists. Route 66 structures and sites have been on our Most Endangered Places lists multiple times.

**19th-Century Military Sites, Statewide:** Oklahoma was home to a wide variety of 19th-century military sites, from early frontier forts to Civil War battlefields to late 19th-century cavalry outposts. These sites can provide valuable information about life in the military that is not otherwise captured in historical records. Military sites have long been the targets of metal detector hobbyists, who have taken a massive toll on the archaeological integrity of sites by removing artifacts from their original context, thus compromising our ability to reconstruct the sites and learn about the activities that created them. By contrast, controlled archaeological investigations at sites such as Fort Gibson, Fort Towson,
and Honey Springs Battlefield have provided valuable information about daily life at these sites.

**Schools, Statewide:**

**900 N Klein, Oklahoma City:** In 2017, the Oklahoma City Public School Board voted to designate this building, formerly the administration building, as surplus property. This 97-year-old building in the core of Oklahoma City had served as the district's administrative offices since 1955. This building currently has major mechanical and structural issues and is in disrepair. Before it became the administration building, its roots began as Roosevelt Junior High.

**Saved: Page Woodson, Oklahoma City:** Page Woodson serves as a success story for redevelopment and is now home to affordable housing and apartments. Page Woodson, former Douglass High School, was purchased in 2013 by a development group led by Ron and Jason Bradshaw, after being vacant for 20 years. The Bradshaws garnered community support, working closely with the JFK neighborhood where the building is located in Oklahoma City. Page Woodson was originally Lowell School in 1910, an all-white school, before turning into Douglass High School, an all-black school, in 1934.

**Theatres, Statewide:**

**Castle Theatre, Pryor:** Construction of the Castle Theatre was started in the fall of 1941. The building was to be a 1000-seat theater made of Mayes County native stone and designed to resemble a castle. The building withstood the damage of the destructive Pryor Tornado of April 27th, 1942. In May 1958 the building was remodeled and donated to the City of Pryor. For almost 60 years, the facility was used for proms, school & family reunions, weddings, and teen recreational activities. In 2016, the theatre suffered major leak damage and had an uncertain future.

**Riverside Studio, Tulsa:** Riverside Studio in Tulsa, also known as Tulsa Spotlight Club or Spotlight Theatre, was built in 1928, designed by architect Bruce Goff in the Art Deco International Style. The Riverside Studio was listed in the National Register for Historic Places in 2001 and included in the Most Endangered Places list in 2015.

**Ralston Opera House, Ralston:** Ralston Opera House was built in 1902 out of native sandstone by A.M. Harry. Ralston is home to just over 300 people and is 16 miles from Pawnee. It was once the home of a hardware store, as well as the opera house on the second floor. Ralston Opera House was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1987. It is currently in disrepair and its future uncertain.

**Saved: Tower Theatre, Oklahoma City:** Tower Theatre opened in 1937 and is one of Oklahoma City’s last original movie houses, with an auditorium and its neon marquee shining over Uptown 23rd Street district in Oklahoma City. Tower Theatre was an active theatre up until 1989. Marty and Mike Dillon began renovations purchased the building in 2005. In 2014, Oklahoma City development group Pivot Project stepped in to complete the project. In 2017, Tower Theatre returned as a live music and event venue.

**Endangered Places Unveiling Event Guests, Photo: POK**
The Heritage Hills neighborhood home tour steering committee is pleased to announce October 13th and 14th for the 2018 Heritage Hills Historic Home Tour. The tour honors historic homes and urban living in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Tour hours are 12pm to 5pm on Saturday and Sunday.

For 52 years, some of Oklahoma City’s most historic homes have been featured during the annual Heritage Hills Historic Home Tour. This year’s tour offers the opportunity for guests to view five of Oklahoma City’s most beautiful historic residences, not usually open to the public.

Residents opening their homes are: Autumn and Rob Abernathy, 431 NW 17th; Janel and James Bozarth, 215 NW 20th Street; Maureen and James Watson, 322 NW 15th Street; Renata and Chuck Wiggin, 301 NW 18th Street; and Kathy Williams and John Michael Williams, 710 NW 14th Street.

Heritage Hills Historic Preservation District is the oldest preservation district in the city, and as a neighborhood, has been listed in the National Register of Historic Places since 1969. The 362 houses that comprise Heritage Hills range from 20,000 square-foot mansions to picture postcard bungalows. Most were built before 1930. This year’s magnificent homes are located between NW 14th Street and NW 20th just north of downtown Oklahoma City.

Heritage Hills Historic Home Tour is a self-guided walking tour and may be done on either Saturday or Sunday, or both days for a more leisurely pace. Parking is available at St Luke’s Methodist Church. A trolley, staffed with neighborhood volunteers to answer questions and offer commentary is also available to transport visitors from one site to another. Visitors at each home will be greeted by knowledgeable volunteers who can provide historical facts and wonderful stories of our neighborhood. Special support can be provided for seniors and those with disabilities.

Other highlights of the tour include: Classen SAS guitar students providing music at the homes, a variety of food trucks at the Overholser Mansion, and an opportunity to view Heritage Hills documentaries at the Overholser Carriage House.

Historical landmarks also featured on this year’s tour are the Overholser Mansion, 405 NW 15th Street, and The Gaylord-Pickens Oklahoma Heritage Center, 1400 Classen Drive (entrance fees waived for Home Tour ticket-holders).

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**Featured Heritage Hills Home Tour Homes, Photos: Historic Preservation Inc.**
2018 Heritage Hills Home Tour Continued

An elegant special event called the Heritage Hills Twilight Party is scheduled for Friday evening, October 12th. This year’s theme is “An Evening in Casablanca.” Stroll through tour homes in the early evening if you choose then convene at 6:30pm on the grounds of the Hale Mansion for cocktails and a sumptuous Moroccan feast.

The attire for the evening is cocktail, and invitations are mailed to interested parties. A ticket for the tour and cocktails only is $50. For the entire evening, including tour, cocktails, dinner, and entertainment, regular seating will be $150 per person, sponsor seating will begin at $200 per person (round tables of 10), with additional sponsor seating available in separate dining areas. There will be underwriting opportunities, as well. All funds from sponsorships and underwriting will provide renovations at the Overholser Carriage House. For questions about tickets, sponsorships, or underwriting for this elegant evening event, please contact Heritage Hills Twilight Party Co-Chairs Suzette Hatfield at SuzHat@me.com or Sam Blackstock at blackstock@okafp.org.

The entire weekend of the 2018 Heritage Hills Home Tour could not be made possible without hundreds of special volunteers. If you would like to volunteer to help make this tour a success, please contact Heritage Hills Home Tour Co-Chairs: Rickie Fray, rufray@gmail.com or Mary Kay Gumerlock, mkgumerlock@sbcglobal.net.

To learn more about how to get the word out about the 2018 Heritage Hills Home Tour, please contact Sandra Kirk, Public Relations Chair, at publicity@heritagehills.org.

2018 Preservation Leadership Awards

Preservation Oklahoma recently awarded its 2018 Preservation Awards. These awards are given to individuals, groups, and projects that demonstrate excellence in historic preservation. Preservation Oklahoma would like to applaud the work of those whose tenacity, courage, and determination are the backbone of successful preservation projects across Oklahoma.

The 2018 Preservation Awards were presented during POK’s Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon, Friday, June 8, at the Vault in Tulsa. The luncheon was a highlight of the Preservation in Progress: Oklahoma’s 30th Annual Statewide Preservation Conference, held June 6-8 in Tulsa. The 2018 Preservation Award recipients are:

**Rural Sector**
The Grand Canadian Theater, Purcell

**Urban Public Sector**
Tulsa Foundation for Architecture, Tulsa

**Urban Private Sector**
Preservation and Design Studio, Oklahoma City

**Young Leadership Award**
Martina Callahan, Lawton

**Preservation Leadership Award**
Gail Loafman, Duncan

**Lifetime Achievement Award**
Marva Elaine Ellard, Oklahoma City
The Oklahoma Historical Society hosted the annual Oklahoma National History Day competition on May 2 and 3 at the Oklahoma History Center. National History Day is a highly regarded academic program for 6th through 12th grade, and “Conflict and Compromise in History” was the theme for 2018.

National History Day is an opportunity for budding historians to delve deeper into the past. Students choose topics related to the annual theme and conduct extensive primary and secondary research through libraries, archives, museums, and historic sites. They present their work in original papers, exhibits, performances, websites, and documentaries. These projects are entered into competitions in the spring at district, state, and national contests where they are evaluated by professional historians and educators.

With a private donation, the State Historic Preservation Office continued the special prize to recognize outstanding achievement in addressing the National History Day theme through historic preservation. In the Junior Division, the prize was awarded for “The Civilian Conservation Corps,” the project of Alexis Canaday from Grove Public School in Shawnee (Teacher: Michael Hobbs).

The Senior Division prize was awarded for “Hometown Voices of Vietnam,” a group performance by Jennifer Delgado, Beau Fuqua, Garrett Nippert, Roxey Linder, and Charlie Moldrup from Canton High School in Canton (Teacher: Penny Heath). They placed first in Senior Division Group Performance and will participate in the National History Day competition in Washington, D.C.

The SHPO established the special prize to encourage students to learn more about Oklahoma’s historic properties and about why their preservation is important. The goals and objectives of Tomorrow’s Legacy: Oklahoma’s Statewide Preservation Plan identify efforts with schools and youth organizations as priorities for the statewide preservation program.

For more information about Oklahoma National History Day, contact Sarah Dumas, Curator of Education, Oklahoma Museum of History, Oklahoma Historical Society, at 405/522-0791 or sdumas@okhistory.org. Also, you can learn more at http://www.okhistory.org/historycenter/historyday and see all the winners of this year’s competition at http://www.okhistory.org/historycenter/hdwinners.

Left: “Hometown Voices of Vietnam” group, Right: Alexis Canaday, Photos: SHPO
The Oklahoma Historical Society’s State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) will hold a public meeting at 10:30am on Friday, September 14, 2018, in the Oklahoma History Center Classroom, 800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive (just northeast of the State Capitol), Oklahoma City. SHPO staff will provide information about the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and how it supports the statewide preservation program. Also, during the meeting, the SHPO will receive public input for development of the Fiscal Year 2019 Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) application to the U.S. Department of the Interior. Participation in the meeting is one important way to help the SHPO advance Oklahoma’s preservation goals.

Under the NHPA, the SHPO administers the federal historic preservation program in Oklahoma. The purpose of the program is to encourage preservation of the state’s archeological and historic resources for everyone’s benefit. The SHPO conducts surveys to identify archeological and historic resources; nominates eligible properties to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP); comments on the effects of federal undertakings on archeological and historic resources; develops the statewide preservation plan; administers the Certified Local Governments (CLG) Program; provides comments to the National Park Service about rehabilitation projects proposed for federal tax credits; and provides public outreach programs and technical assistance to preservation professionals, government agencies, and interested citizens. The SHPO expects to receive approximately $830,000 from the HPF for these programs and its operations. Ten percent of the HPF award is reserved for pass-through grants to CLGs.

Tomorrow’s Legacy: Oklahoma’s Statewide Preservation Plan (January 2015-December 2019) (available from the SHPO or at www.okhistory.org/shpo/stateplan.htm) sets forth the statewide preservation community’s goals and objectives. The SHPO’s priorities for addressing the State Plan’s goals are continuation of the archeological and historic/architectural resources survey program, with special emphasis on resources associated with underrepresented peoples, and extension of survey coverage to previously unstudied areas; preparation of NRHP nominations; and continuation of public outreach and technical assistance programs. Your project ideas and recommended priorities for the SHPO’s FY 2019 activities will help strengthen preservation efforts in Oklahoma.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, your written comments and suggestions are welcome. You may complete the SHPO’s “Project Suggestion Form” and return it by 5:00pm, Friday, September 14, 2018. Call the SHPO at 405/521-6249 or email Jesse Matthews at jmatthews@okhistory.org to request the form or obtain it at http://www.okhistory.org/shpo/spevents.htm.

The Oklahoma Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office, is pleased to announce that Sara Werneke has joined the staff as the new National Register of Historic Places coordinator. Sara is a native Oklahoman and holds a Bachelor of Architecture and a Bachelor of Arts from Drury University in Springfield, Missouri. She is a familiar face in Oklahoma as she worked in the private sector for the past seven years on historic preservation tax credit projects and National Register of Historic Places nominations. Sara can be reached at 405/522-4478 or email swerneke@okhistory.org.

Sara Werneke, Photo: SHPO
The Oklahoma Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office, presents its 2018/2019 calendar of events. There are no registration fees unless noted. All events will take place at the Oklahoma History Center, 800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive (immediately northeast of the State Capitol), Oklahoma City, unless otherwise stated. For more information call 405/521-6249 or visit http://www.okhistory.org/shpo/spevents.htm. Note: If you have a disability and need an accommodation, call 405/521-6249 at least two (2) days before the event.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES: Many of these programs meet the requirements for HSW hours/State of Oklahoma’s Board of Governors of Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects, and Interior Designers, and for PDH hours/Oklahoma State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors. The SHPO will email certificates of attendance after the event, and participants self-report or document their attendance per policies of the respective boards. Planners will earn American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) Certification Maintenance credits for attending the statewide preservation conference, and instructions for documenting attendance will be provided at the conference.

SEPTEMBER 2018
14 Public Meeting for the SHPO’s FY 2019 Historic Preservation Fund Grant Application (10:30am/Classroom)

OCTOBER 2018
18 Historic Preservation Review Committee Meeting (1:30pm/LeRoy H. Fischer Boardroom)

DECEMBER 2018
5 Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (10:30am-12:30pm/Classroom)
5 The Secretary’s Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (1:30pm-4:30pm/Classroom)
6 The Section 106 Review Process: A Workshop for Agency Officials and Cultural Resource Management Consultants (10:30am-4:30pm/Classroom)
7 Working with the National Register of Historic Places (10:30am-4:30pm/Classroom)

JANUARY 2019
17 Historic Preservation Review Committee Meeting (1:30pm/LeRoy H. Fischer Boardroom)

APRIL 2019
18 Historic Preservation Review Committee Meeting (1:30pm/LeRoy H. Fischer Boardroom)
24-26 Oklahoma History & Historic Preservation Conference
   Location: Chickasha, Registration Fee, Details Coming Soon

MAY 2019
8 Certified Local Governments Program: The SHPO and Municipalities Preserving Community Heritage (10:30am-12:00pm/Classroom)
8 Introduction to Section 106 and Determinations of Eligibility for the National Register (1:30pm-4:30pm/Classroom)
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Historic structures, much like photographs and newspapers, tell the story of Oklahoma communities, linking the past to the present. They also provide economically vibrant locations for local businesses and residents. Since 1992, Preservation Oklahoma has worked to protect and preserve these structures through advocacy, education, and programming. By joining our efforts, you are supporting the protection of Oklahoma's unique and diverse history. Your support also assists in the preservation of the 1903 Henry Overholser Mansion, an Oklahoma City landmark and home of POK's offices.

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