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POK Seeking Nominations for 2020 Most Endangered Places

It is time to compile Oklahoma's Most Endangered Historic Places List for 2020, and we need your input.

Help us identify Oklahoma's threatened historic resources. While the listing does not ensure the protection of a site or guarantee funding, the designation has been a powerful tool to help local organizations raise the awareness of their endangered places. Please complete this nomination form and return it by December 1, 2019, to Preservation Oklahoma. The Selection Committee will announce the 2020 Oklahoma's Most Endangered Historic Places List in early 2020.

See form on Page 11 for submission requirements, or visit the POK website, www.preservationok.org.





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Oklahoma Archeological Survey Workshop, Alva, Photo: POK

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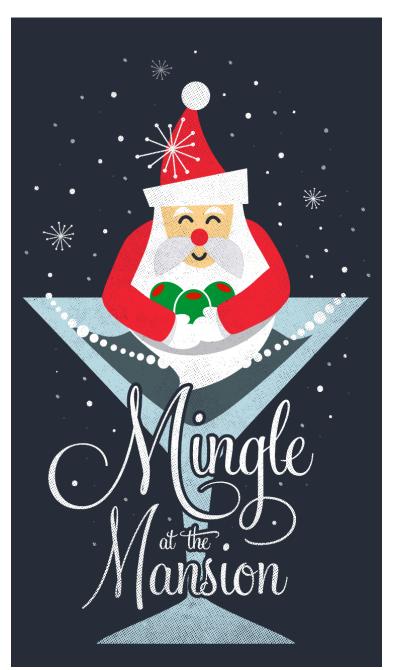
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2019 Mingle at the Mansion

For decades, the Henry Overholser Mansion served as the place for holiday parties and festivities. The home was adorned with decorations and the rooms were filled with merriment and yuletide cheer. This year, those days return when Preservation Oklahoma presents its second annual "Mingle at the Mansion."

The golden ropes of the historic Henry Overholser Mansion will come down and guests are invited to experience the house in all of its splendor, just as the Overholser Family would have in its golden age of parties! Preservation Oklahoma will host its second annual "Mingle at the Mansion" cocktail party event at the Henry Overholser Mansion, on Saturday, December 14, from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. Guests will enjoy the house with all its halls decked for the holidays by Winter House Interiors, as well as a 50's-themed bash featuring light bites and festive libations from COOP Ale Works, Artisan Fine Wines, and Oklahoma Distilling. The evening will also feature festive, holiday music and an opportunity to explore the 1903 Oklahoma treasure, the Henry Overholser Mansion.

Proceeds from this event support Preservation Oklahoma's efforts in stewarding the Henry Overholser Mansion, as well as its statewide mission of preserving the places where Oklahoma history lives.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.preservationok.org



Scary Tales tours return to the Overholser Mansion!

Scary Tales will take place on Thursday, October 24, Friday, October 25, and Saturday, October 26. Visitors will hear the spooky stories of Oklahoma history and get a rare glimpse inside the Overholser Mansion after dark. The tours begin promptly at 7pm and attendees will meet in the Carriage House.

Tickets for the public tours have sold out, but there is a waitlist available. Visit Henry Overholser Mansion on Facebook or contact director@preservationok.org to be added to the list. There is also a special POK Members Only tour on October 23. To become a POK member, visit www.preservationok.org/membership.



2019 Heritage Hills Homes Tour

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the Historic Preservation Ordinance in Oklahoma City. Heritage Hills Historic Preservation District is the oldest preservation district in the city, which as a neighborhood has been listed in the National Register of Historic Places since 1969. This year's 53rd annual Heritage Hills Historic Homes Tour offers the opportunity for guests to view a group of Oklahoma City's most beautiful historic residences, not usually open to the public.

Also featured on the tour will be the historic Overholser Mansion, as well as Wilson Elementary Arts Integration School. Children from the surrounding neighborhoods have filled its halls for the past 100 years. Wilson's interior is graced by a number of beautiful murals, dating to 1934. Wilson Elementary School, an Arts Integration School, will be a beneficiary of this year's tour sponsorships in honor of their Centennial.

The Heritage Hills Historic Homes Tour represents a unique opportunity to experience the lives and the stories of Oklahomans through their homes. This year's magnificent homes are 300 NW 17th Street; 220 NW 19th Street; 1815 N. Hudson Avenue; 325 NW 15th Street; and a work-in-progress home at 436 NW 14th Street.

Heritage Hills Historic Homes Tour is a self guided walking tour and may be done on either Saturday or Sunday, or both days for a more leisurely pace. A shuttle is also available to transport visitors from one site to another. Visitors 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. Every year hundreds of volunteers are needed to create a special Tour for our patrons. Special recognition goes to year's Tour Chairs: Kathy and John Michael Williams.

Tour tickets will be available on Tour days at tour locations for \$20. Advance discounted tickets are \$18. Online tickets at HeritageHills.org go on sale September 1. Inquiries about the tour can be emailed to homestour@ heritagehills.org.

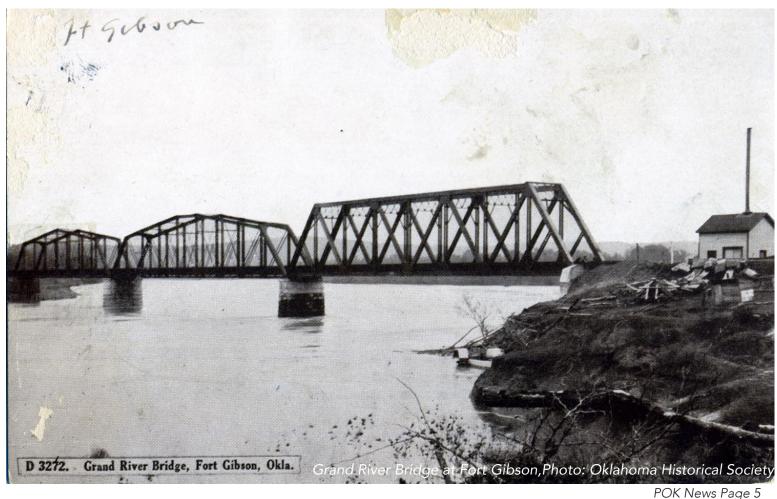
Call for Papers and Presentations for 2020 Oklahoma History Conference

The Oklahoma Historical Society (OHS) is seeking papers and presentations for the 2020 Oklahoma History Conference, which will be held April 22–24, 2020, at The Lodge at Sequoyah State Park near Wagoner. A total of 14 presentation sessions will take place Thursday morning, April 23, and Friday morning, April 24.

This year's theme is "Connecting Cultures: Exploring the Three Forks." The Three Forks is the area of presentday Oklahoma where the Verdigris and Neosho (Grand) Rivers merge into the Arkansas River. Trade was important in this region prior to European contact and later as French explorers exchanged goods with the Caddos and Wichitas. Prominent early traders included Auguste Pierre Chouteau and Sam Houston. It is also where the United States built Indian Territory's first military outpost, Fort Gibson, in 1824. The region was the terminus of the Muscogee (Creek) and Cherokee Trail of Tears and eventually became part of the Osage, Muscogee (Creek) and Cherokee Nations. The Texas Road and the Arkansas River served as main arteries for travel, serving explorers, traders, immigrants and the military. The OHS encourages presentations related to the theme but will accept proposals on all aspects of Oklahoma history.

Sessions will be 45 minutes in length and will feature one presentation not to exceed 30 minutes. This will allow 15 minutes for an introduction and questions. Individuals interested in making a presentation should prepare a one-page proposal including the title and a 100-word description of the presentation; the name, address, phone number and email address of the presenter; and a short vita or biographical sketch.

Presentation proposals are being accepted now. The deadline for submitting proposals is Friday, December 27, 2019. Those who submit proposals will be notified of their status by early February 2020 if not sooner. Registration fees for presenters will be waived. Please send presentation proposals to Larry O'Dell, Oklahoma Historical Society, 800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive, Oklahoma City, OK 73105. Proposals also may be emailed to Larry O'Dell at lodell@okhistory.org.



CAMP in Oklahoma



Someone bring the marshmallows. Someone bring the hamburgers. No, not that type of CAMP.

In March of 2019, the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions hosted a one-day Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program (CAMP) in Norman, Oklahoma. This one-day training is led by qualified preservation professionals in support of local preservation commissions. The National Alliance of Preservation Commissions mission is to build strong local preservation programs through education, advocacy and training. CAMP provides training to preservation related boards and commissions of all types including elected officials who often are charged with following through on local commission's decisions.

Wade Broadhead from Florence, Colorado, Sharon Ferraro of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and Rory Hays from Phoenix, Arizona, led the training in Norman. The day focused on legal issues facing preservation commissions, design guidelines and preservation planning. Commission members and other preservation professionals from around the state attended the one-day training.

Don't worry if you missed the chance to attend in 2019! Muskogee will be the host for the next round of training in 2020. Keep an eye out on the OK/SHPO social media pages and Preservation Oklahoma calendar of events and be certain to register to attend.



CAMP Workshop in Norman, Photo: SHPO

Oklahoma Heritage Preservation Grant Program

The Oklahoma Historical Society (OHS) is proud to announce the creation of the Oklahoma Heritage Preservation Grant Program. This new grants-in-aid program will set aside \$500,000 to award grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$20,000 to municipal, county, or tribal governments or nonprofit historical organizations registered with the Oklahoma Secretary of State.

The online applications will open on Monday, September 9, 2019, and close on Friday, November 8, 2019, at 5 p.m., with award announcements being made in late January 2020.

The grants are specific to three categories: collections, exhibits, and programs. The amounts will generally range from \$1,000 to \$20,000. Please note that projects such as architectural plans, expansions, and repairs will not be eligible for the grants.

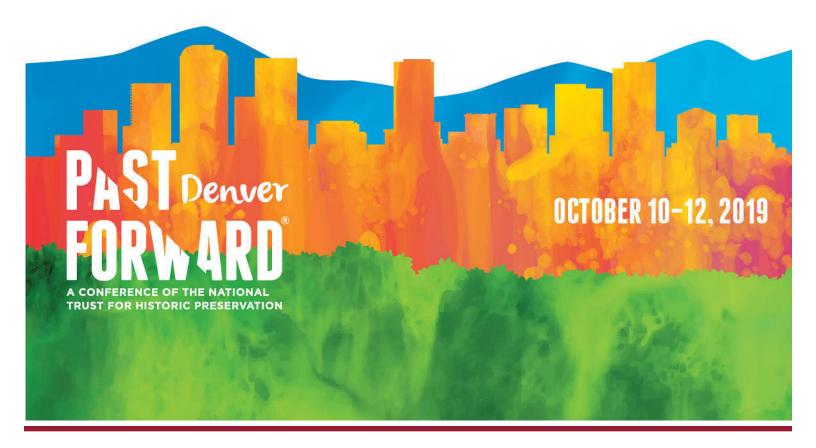
For more information or questions, please contact Grants Administrator Nicole Harvey at 405-522-5202 or grants@okhistory.org.

Program Timeline

- September 9, 8 a.m.: Open online applications
- November 8, 5 p.m.: Close online applications
- November 12–27: OHS Staff Committee begins reviewing and ranking applications
- December 13: OHS Board Subcommittee is provided the recommendation of the OHS Staff Committee
- January 6–10: OHS Board Subcommittee meets to formulate a recommendation to the OHS Board of Directors
- January 22: Subcommittee makes the final recommendation to OHS Board of Directors for approval
- January 23: Recipients and applicants are notified of the board's decision
- February 1: First contracts are sent out, and all recipients are informed in which quarter their grant will commence

Helpful Hints

- Please note that organizations may only apply for one project. If you have multiple goals you
 wish to accomplish within one project, be sure to group those together into one cohesive
 project, not lots of different projects that add up to a certain amount of grant funds.
- The criteria that ranks the importance of the organization's theme and/or collection is heavily weighted. Please utilize the Historic Context Review to make sure that you are fully highlighting your theme and collection so that reviewers have the best understanding of your organization possible.
- Remember that while you know your organization intimately, the reviewers may not be
 as familiar. Please take time when completing your application to provide context and
 understanding of your organization's programming, collections, community support, and
 sustainability, i.e., look at the criteria and make sure that each one is properly addressed in
 your application.
- Projects that are most likely to interest the reviewers will be those that have tangible improvements and possibilities (as noted in the criteria), not necessarily the ones asking for the most funding or the most elaborate request.
- Consider your funding request amount. If you are a smaller organization without a history of large projects, consider starting with a smaller grant project and return in another grant cycle to ask for more.



Archaeology Month in Oklahoma



October is Archaeology Month in Oklahoma! Join us in celebration as organizations such as museums, historic properties, and universities host public events for all Oklahomans to enjoy while learning about our state's past.

Events for Oklahoma Archaeology Month 2019 are located all over the state and there is something for everyone! Help us kick off the month at BIG Brewing Company in Norman with our first annual archaeology beer, a delicious Pemmican Porter. Other events include A Day of Archaeology at The Museum of the Great Plains, a celebration of International/Oklahoma Archaeology Month at Spiro Mounds and a Chuck Wagon Gathering and Dinner at the Chisholm Trail Museum. Be sure to visit our website for a complete list of events.

Organized by the Oklahoma Public Archaeology Network (OKPAN), Oklahoma Archaeology Month spotlights the archaeology and history of Oklahoma. Special events target public audiences with the goal of raising awareness of the diverse archaeological and cultural preservation projects that blanket the state while promoting public involvement in archaeology.

For more information and a schedule of all of 2019's Archaeology Month events, visit okpan.org or follow our Facebook page "Oklahoma Archaeology Month."

SHPO Announces December Workshop Series

The Oklahoma Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office, is pleased to announce its December Workshop series. The sessions will be held December 5-6, in the Oklahoma History Center, 800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive (immediately northeast of the State Capitol), Oklahoma City.

The workshops are free and open to the public, but we ask that you register by 5:00pm, Tuesday, December 4. Space is limited and will be available on a first-come basis. To register, contact the OK/SHPO at 405/521- 6249. You may also register online at www.okhistory.org/shpo/workshops.php.

Design professionals who attend the workshops will qualify for HSW hours needed to fulfill requirements of the State of Oklahoma's Board of Governors of Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects, and Interior Designers. A certificate of attendance will be e-mailed to participants after the workshops. Self-report your attendance to the board.

If you have questions about the content of the workshops, contact Lynda Ozan, Deputy SHPO, at 405-522-4484 or lozan@okhistory.org.

Workshop Schedule and Descriptions:

December 5 (10:30pm-4:30pm) – The Section 106 Review Process: A Workshop for Agency Officials and Cultural Resource Management Consultants

(presented by Cate Wood, Historical Archeologist/Section 106 Program Coordinator) The workshop provides the basics about the review process in Oklahoma under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Topics include who are the participants in the process and what are their roles, identification and evaluation of historic properties, determination of effects on historic properties, and resolution of adverse effects. Step-by-step instructions will be provided for requesting the State Historic Preservation Office's comments on federal undertakings and for completing the Historic Preservation Resource Identification Form for standing structures.

December 6 (10:30am-12:00noon) - Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (presented by Jennifer Bailey, Tax Program Coordinator/Historic Preservation Specialist)

Participants will learn about the federal and state investment tax credits for certified rehabilitation of a certified historic structure. A detailed discussion of the Historic Preservation Certification Application, Parts 1, 2, and 3, will guide owners and developers in successfully preparing the information needed for the State Historic Preservation Office to review the project and for the National Park Service to certify it. The session is designed as a stand-alone workshop or as a companion to the Secretary's Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings.

December 6 (1:30pm-4:30pm) – The Secretary's Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings

(presented by Jennifer Bailey, Tax Program Coordinator/Historic Preservation Specialist) The workshop features a discussion of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitation. Generally known as The Standards, these commonsense principles are widely used in the historic preservation field. Whether pursuing the 20% federal and 20% state tax credits for a certified rehabilitation, planning a rehabilitation project funded with federal assistance, serving on a local historic preservation commission, or rehabilitating your historic private home, you will find the session beneficial. It is designed as a stand-alone workshop and as a companion to Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings.

State Historic Preservation Office 2019 Calendar of Events

The Oklahoma Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office, presents its 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/shpoevents. 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 their respective boards.

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17 Historic Preservation Review Committee Meeting (1:30 p.m./LeRoy H. Fischer Boardroom)

DECEMBER 2019

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 - (10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m./Musser Learning Lab)
- Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m./Musser Learning Lab)
- The Secretary's Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m./Musser Learning Lab)

Oklahoma Archeological Survey Workshops with Preservation Oklahoma's Most Endangered Places List



OAS Workshop in Alva, Photo: POK

Preservation Oklahoma is hosting four interactive workshops led by Oklahoma Archeological Survey in 2019. The workshops will be held from 11am to 2pm, with the discussion of prehistory and what to do if you have found a site beginning at 1pm. Workshops have been held in Alva, Claremore, and Oklahoma City. The last workshop of the series will be held at the Moore-Lindsay House in Norman, Oklahoma, on October 26.

These free workshops will be presented by research faculty from the Oklahoma Archeological Survey (OAS) at the University of Oklahoma. Workshops will contain activities for all ages and are open to the public.

In addition to the workshops, Preservation Oklahoma will also be displaying its 2019 Most Endangered Places traveling exhibit. This annual list of historic properties serves to spread awareness and will travel throughout the state to continue the discussion of preserving historic buildings.

The program is funded in part by Oklahoma Humanities (OH) and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed do not necessarily represent those of OH or NEH.

2020 Most Endangered Places Submission Form

1) Nomination Submitted by:		
Address		
Telephone Number	Email Address	
2) Endangered Place/Property	y Nominated:	
Address/Location		
Current Owner		
Owner's Address		
Telephone Number	Email Address	
3) Is the current property own	er aware of this nomination? Yes No	
4) The nominated Endangered	d Place (choose one)	
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8) Please include at least two	color photographs showing the current condition of the nomir	nated

Please return this completed form to:
Preservation Oklahoma, Inc.,
405 NW 15th Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73103.

place.

Nomination form is also available online at www.preservationok.org.



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Help POK Preserve Oklahoma's Historic Treasures!

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.

Membership Benefits

Membership benefits include discounted tickets to POK events, complimentary tours of the Overholser Mansion, and invitations to our annual membership appreciation event.

Membership Levels:

Student \$25 Individual \$50 Family \$100 Partner \$500

To join, please visit http://www.preservationok.org/become-a-member.html and join through our secure online payment form. You can also join by calling the POK offices!