



COLORADO PRESERVATION, INC.

February Newsletter

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Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that just four weeks ago we were together to celebrate the challenges and progress of preservation at the annual Saving Places Conference. On January 29th, 786 of you joined us from across Colorado and 22 states to discuss the latest preservation issues, learn from experts in the field, and network with each other. For those of you who were able to attend, you felt the positive energy reverberate from session to session, from workshop to workshop and throughout the discussions of the plenary and scheduled luncheons. We often say that CPI staff needs this conference as much as all of you. I can attest to the impact this conference has on creating new energy and focus at CPI as we return reenergized, buzzing with new ideas, and ways to strengthen our statewide impact.

We are reviewing your conference evaluations and I must share comments like "I've been at least 15-18 times and this year's conference was one of the best yet" keep us going for months at a time. We will also be using your evaluations to consider

improvements for 2021 and will be reviewing your recommendations for what sessions, speakers, and overall conference details you would like to see. Thank you for taking the time to put these comments together; rest assured they are reviewed and do influence future conference decisions.

Those of you who attended this year had the opportunity to read the welcome letter by Governor Jared Polis who noted that Colorado is a state “defined by its historic places and heritage landscapes.” He concluded by emphasizing his support for preservation and the impact it has had on local communities. We also had the opportunity to hear from engaging speakers like Martín Carcasson, Nicki Gonzalas and the Mayor of Trinidad, Phil Rico. I know many of you are interested in learning more about ways to facilitate open dialogue with politically charged conversations and we are exploring ways to offer additional trainings with Martín Carcasson. Stay tuned!

February’s newsletter is jam-packed with opportunities to get involved with CPI and advancing your preservation knowledge through our Endangered Places Program and new technical training workshops. Take a look and let us know what you think!

For our Past, Present, and Future,



Jennifer Orrigo Charles
Executive Director





Thank you for attending and supporting CPI's Saving Places® 2020 Conference, "A Focus on the Future!" This year we had extremely strong attendance with 786 of you joining us from every region of the state including a record-breaking 22 states and the District of Columbia. In Colorado, we had 44 (69%) of counties represented!

Ten valuable roundtable discussions were held by knowledgeable facilitators, and we learned about approaching "wicked problems" and some of the basics of productive engagement with Dr. Martín Carcasson.

Thank you especially to our [sponsors, exhibitors, and program partners](#). We truly felt the excitement for historic preservation in the exhibitor space at the Sheraton!



Attendees from Highlighted States



Attendees from Highlighted Counties

If you have not yet taken a moment to share your thoughts and experiences with CPI, please do so by clicking dropping us a quick email that you would like the survey sent to you again.

Take the Survey!



**2020 Colorado's Most Endangered Places
Announced!**



The endangered resources Colorado Preservation, Inc. will be working with in 2020 were announced on Thursday, January 30 during the Endangered Places Program Luncheon at the Saving Places® Conference. The four newly listed sites illustrate that preservation involves more than just the tangible built environment. In fact, the

stories behind the buildings and of the people and communities that built them, offer important lessons about the past that can help inform the future.

Since 1998, Colorado Preservation, Inc. has been working with communities throughout the state to save endangered historic buildings, landscapes, and archaeological sites through its Endangered Places Program. In 2020, four diverse places were listed, two important sites were recognized as **SAVED**, and one important site moved from alert to progress. [Learn more about the EPP program online here.](#) Click on the photos and headings of the listed resources below to learn more about each location and view the short video on each place.

Antelope Springs Methodist Episcopal Church (Morgan County)



The lovely Antelope Springs Methodist Episcopal Church, located on the plains of Eastern Colorado, may have averted disaster thanks to the quick reaction of passers-by who noticed suspicious behavior and the fact that the building was on fire at 2 am on a Sunday morning last summer. While the interior damage was relatively contained and the

ceiling beams and portions of the roof suffered damage, the structure itself remains intact and can definitely be restored, which is exactly what a small but determined group of area residents intend to do. More information about the site is available on our [website here.](#)

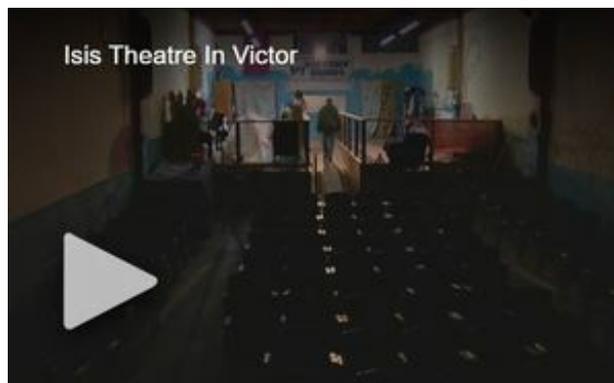


Isis Theatre (Teller County)

The Isis Theatre, located in the heart of the small downtown and its former Red Light district, epitomizes Victor's wildly entertaining past as it serves as a panorama of the history of live theatre, motion pictures, and entertainment from the earliest era of the town up until the present. The theater's stage has been used for vaudeville shows, plays and movies and contains a vast display of memorabilia, including vintage costumes, playbills, posters, theater curtains, and its original piano.



More information about the site is available on our [website here](#).



East Portal Camp Cabins (Gilpin County)



The five surviving East Portal Camp Cabins, built at the east entrance to the Moffat Tunnel in Gilpin County, remain the last remnants of a "factory system" town for workers who bored through the mountain to accomplish one of the most important engineering accomplishments in U.S. history. The cabins are located at the base of the James Peak Trail, which leads

into the James Peak Wilderness Area, which provides easy access and the opportunity to introduce this important history to thousands of trail users. More information about the site is available on our [website here](#).



The Southern Ute Boarding School Campus (La Plata County)

The Southern Ute Boarding School Campus (SUBSC) reflects a difficult and multi-faceted story of the Indian Boarding School Era within Colorado and American history. Fighting against all odds of cultural-genocide via forced assimilation, the SUBSC also represents the resilience of Southern Ute foremothers and forefathers, descendant from



the Mouache, Capota, and Weeminuche Bands of Ute, others from various Indigenous Nations—i.e. Jicarilla, Apache and Navajo. The structures are a reminder of the past that Native Americans were subjected to, but also serve as a reminder of resiliency.

More information about the site is available on our [website here](#). The CBS4 video will be shared with our supporters as soon as we have permission!

Two sites previously listed as Colorado’s Most Endangered Places were recognized as SAVES:

Denver & Rio Grande Antonito Depot (Conejos County)



Listed in 2007



Listed as SAVED in 2020

El Corazon de Trinidad Distinctive Commercial District (Las Animas County)



Listed in 2000



Listed as SAVED in 2020

SIGNUP TODAY!

2020 Technical Training Workshops Announced

Colorado Preservation, Inc. is proud to present with [Pinyon Environmental Consulting Services](#), Hoehn Architects, [Spectrum General Contractors](#), and [Anderson Hallas Architects](#) a set of technical training workshops in the upcoming months.

Each half-day workshop is \$65 or \$50 for CPI members. Become a member today [online here](#).



Historic Survey Smart Tool Workshop

Date: Thursday, April 23, 1:00 to 4:30pm

Limit 35

Location: 281 N College St, Fort Collins

Credits: Official CLG Training

Cost: \$65 nonmembers, \$50 CPI members

This interactive workshop will explore the use and applications of technology tools in the survey and evaluation of historic resources, including traditional building survey and more challenging resources. Participants will:

- Use a tablet/smartphone-based app to complete field survey
- Explore the application of drone technology in historic survey
- Use viewshed analysis tools to determine the potential effects derived from the introduction of non-historic elements within that viewshed.

REGISTER NOW

Applying the SOI Standards for Rehabilitation

Date: Monday, August 3, 1:00 to 5:00 pm

Limit 20

Location: Tabor Opera House, 308 Harrison Ave, Leadville

Cost: \$65 nonmembers, \$50 CPI members



The Tabor Opera House in Leadville is undergoing a significant rehabilitation, thanks to funding from organizations including History Colorado, DOLA, Partners in Preservation, and the National Park Service. Participants of this workshop will be able to view plans for the building's future rehabilitation in conjunction with touring the building in its current condition as well as view "preservation in action" as masonry and window restoration contractors work on the west and south building elevations.

REGISTER NOW



Crash Course in Historic Buildings & Restoration Effort

Date: Friday, October 16, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Limit 30

Location: St. Barnabas Episcopal Church – 1280 Vine St, Denver

Cost: \$65 nonmembers, \$50 CPI members

This workshop will teach participants how/where to start on the successful path to a restoration or construction project for a historic building. Join Graham Johnson with Spectrum General Contractors and Andy Duckett-Emke, Project Architect with Anderson Hallas Architects as they take participants on a crash course of historic building projects. The workshop will take place at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church and is designed for homeowners as well as commercial property owners. Topics will include how to incorporate a productive planning/design phase in your project to minimize surprises that can otherwise become construction road bumps.

REGISTER NOW

**30th Anniversary of
Dana Crawford & State Honor Awards**



**2020 marks the 30th Anniversary of Colorado Preservation, Inc.'s
Dana Crawford Awards.**

Wednesday, May 13, 2020, 5-8:30pm

Denver Botanic Gardens

1007 York Street, Denver



CYNTHIA NEELY
2020 DANA CRAWFORD
AWARD RECIPIENT

Join us for an evening of celebration as CPI recognizes the efforts of individuals, organizations, public agencies, and businesses from across the state, whose work demonstrates excellence in historic preservation.

CPI is pleased to announce that the 2020 Dana Crawford Award will be presented to Cynthia Neely, a woman who has been a leader in the Georgetown Silver Plume National Historic Landmark District and guiding force in Georgetown for over 50 years. The Dana Crawford Award recognizes not only Cynthia's life-long contributions to the preservation but the efforts of Historic Georgetown, Inc. and the passage of Georgetown's Historic Preservation Ordinance, which turns 50 this May.

Invitation to follow. Interested in sponsoring?

[Download the event flyer for more information here.](#)

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