



COLORADO PRESERVATION, INC.

## April Newsletter

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Dear Friends, Members, and Supporters,

Just a little over 20 days ago we collectively embarked on a journey together through new and uncertain territory. In an instant, our world changed and as we think back to the time before, how many of us see with fresh eyes the simple things we took for granted? Amid what is still unknown, we find solace in the inspiring way the community has come together and are touched by the love and kindness that has resulted from the challenge of COVID-19.

It is with thankfulness and gratitude that we welcome you to our April newsletter. While CPI staff has been adapting to working remotely, exciting developments continue to be put in motion at many of our project and EPP sites. Just this weekend CPI partnered with HistoriCorps to begin stabilizing and mothballing the Elk Creek Octagon at Shaffer's Crossing (2018 EPP site). Kim continues to meet with advocates for our newly listed endangered resources and is working with the Southern Ute Tribal Council to plan for the next steps at the main school/gymnasium building at the campus in Ignacio. We heard loud and clear that you would like to be more involved with our EPP projects so we are working to put together a CPI Happy Hour featuring one of our listed sites – stay tuned for more!

Finally, this newsletter passes along some important information for COVID-19 available resources developed by the Heritage Emergency National Task Force. For

all of you home and struggling with illness, our thoughts and well-wishes go out to you. Keep pushing through and know there is a whole community that has you in their thoughts. For those of you eager to get back to the task at hand – keep holding on we are so close! Thank you all for your kind words, support, and concern over the last few weeks. We are so grateful to all of you. Stay safe and well and we will be in touch soon.

If you are able to make a donation of any size to CPI or are able to renew your membership, or would consider being a critical monthly supporter – these actions would have a tremendous impact to our organization at this time - <http://coloradopreservation.org/donate>

For our Past, Present, and Future,



Jennifer Orrigo Charles  
Executive Director



## 2020 Technical Training Workshops



# 2020 WORKSHOPS

May 21 - Historic Survey Smart Tool Workshop (WEBINAR)

August 3 - Applying the SOI Standards for Rehabilitation

October 16 - Crash Course in Historic Buildings & Restoration Effort

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Considering COVID-19's impact, Colorado Preservation, Inc. pivoted with our partners to offer a webinar for the May technical training, "Historic Survey Smart Tool Workshop." Please note this is rescheduled from an in-person training canceled in April.

**Coming up! Historic Survey Smart Tool Workshop (now a WEBINAR)**

**Date:** Thursday, May 21, 12:00 to 1:00pm

**Online with Zoom:** link to be sent by the morning of the webinar

**Cost:** \$20 for all attendees

**This training is a SHPO-approved CLG training for 2020.**

Register [online here: coloradopreservation.org/workshops](https://coloradopreservation.org/workshops)

Webinar Speakers from Pinyon Environmental:



Ashley Bushey

TECHNICAL GROUP MANAGER  
- CULTURAL RESOURCES



Sean Fallon

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN



Poppie Gullett

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN



Tom Wilson

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

This webinar will explore the use and applications of technology tools in the survey and evaluation of historic resources, including traditional building surveys and more challenging resources such as linear resources and cultural landscapes. This seminar is offered in lieu of the planned in-person, hands-on training planned for 2020. Participants will consider the benefits of incorporating tech tools into survey practice, including:

- Tablet/smartphone-based app to complete field survey
- Drone technology in historic survey and archival documentation practices
- Viewshed analysis tools to determine the potential effects derived from the introduction of non-historic elements within that viewshed

Register and learn more about the other two upcoming workshops [online here: coloradopreservation.org/workshops](https://coloradopreservation.org/workshops)

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# Ways You Can Give Critical Support to CPI

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**#GivingTuesdayNow** is a new global day of giving and unity that will take place on **May 5, 2020** – in addition to the regularly scheduled Dec 1, 2020 #GivingTuesday – as an emergency response to the unprecedented need caused by COVID-19.



Please consider donating or scheduling a donation to CPI through the [Colorado Gives online giving here](#).

2

Colorado Preservation, Inc. is part of the **King Soopers/City Market Community Rewards program**, which means you can donate to CPI just by grocery shopping!



**Linking your card to CPI does not impact gas points and does not require any donations. Here's how to enroll your card:**

- **Step 1:** Sign in or register a new account at [www.kingsoopers.com](http://www.kingsoopers.com)
- **Step 2:** Look at the My Account bar on the left – click **Community Rewards**
- **Step 3:** Under Find an Organization type **Colorado Preservation**
- **Step 4:** Click **Enter** and you will see Colorado Preservation as an option – click **ENROLL** and you are done!

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CPI members help Build a Future *with* Historic Places! **Join or Renew Your Membership [online today](#)**.



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Online shopping increased? Use this [AmazonSmile link](#) to make purchases and the AmazonSmile

Foundation will make a donation to CPI.



## Emergency Stabilization Work Continues on Elk Creek Octagon Barn



With the partnership of the State Historical Fund and with the help of a small crew from Historicorps, stabilization and emergency roof repairs has continued at the unique Elk Creek Octagon Barn in southern Jefferson County. This iconic structure, seen from US Highway 285 near Elk Creek Road, is situated on property owned by the Archdiocese of Denver, and was placed on Colorado's Most Endangered Places list in 2018. The barn's six-sided roof is

complemented by an entry addition that led to its "octagon" name. It was used as a grange hall, community meeting space, church, and dance hall since its construction prior to 1902. The site was originally targeted for an EPP Weekend Workshop, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the potential risk to volunteers that would involve, the project was redesigned for a small two-person crew, with full safety precautions and the help of the local site caretaker and is proceeding on back-to-back weekends.

Last weekend, work was completed to temporarily stabilize foundation walls and carefully pull back into alignment the walls of the building's rectangular front entry, which were in danger of collapse. Temporary support posts were also located near the front entry and back entry near the stage that once housed bands like Isham Jones and other entertainers, to bring door openings back into alignment. The stage area was cleaned up and determined to be in better shape than originally thought.



Sagging painted Beaver Board ceilings will be put back into place and supported pending later repairs. Next weekend the rotted wood shingles on the south and east sides of the barn's six-sided roof will be removed and a temporary rolled roofing material will be put down to secure the roof from water infiltration and animal infestation. The goal is to stabilize and mothball the building until plans and funds for further rehabilitation can proceed. CPI is grateful to the State Historical Fund for showing flexibility in the approach to the project and for the support of the Archdiocese of Denver to get this important work done.

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## Colorado's Trail of the Ancients Byway and McElmo Creek Flume Win National Award

The [National Scenic Byways Foundation](#) has awarded its Public-Private Partnership Award to Colorado's [Trail of the Ancients Scenic Byway](#) for their work at the McElmo Creek Flume near Cortez, which was listed on Colorado's Most Endangered Places in 2011 and declared a "Save" in 2019. The Flume itself was seriously damaged by flash floods in 2006 and heavy winds in 2010 but was restored in four phases through a partnership involving the State Historical Fund and at



least nine other partners and funding sources. In 2012, the Trail of the Ancients Scenic Byway received a Federal Byways Grant to build an interpretive stop at the McElmo Creek Flume. This was completed in 2016, and today provides interpretive panels and an accessible overlook for viewing the restored Flume. Linda Towle, who helped spearhead the effort to save the Flume, nominated the project for the award recently granted by the National Scenic Byways Foundation.

The Flume is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and now provides visitors who stop along Highway 160 with important information about the development of water resources and farming in the Montezuma Valley. It is a great example of a unique historic resource whose listing on Colorado's Most Endangered Places served as a catalyst for local and regional organizations to rally and save the site.



## Restoration and Reconstruction Work on Amache 11F Recreation Building



Restoration and reconstruction have begun on the Block 11F Recreation Building at the Granada Relocation Center, commonly known as Amache, which is one of ten former Japanese American internment sites that operated during WWII in the nation. Colorado Preservation, Inc. has been working with Amache stakeholders on similar projects since 2008, serving as project and grant manager. The current project entails

restoring the original 40-foot section of the building, which was relocated back to its foundation in May 2018, reconstructing the remaining 60-foot section, and interpretation. With a strong team consisting of Scheuber + Darden Architects, A&M

Renovations, Alpine Archeological Consultants, the University of Denver, the Amache Preservation Society, representatives from the State Historical Fund, National Park Service, and CPI, the treatment complexities of this project have collaboratively been worked through and progress is moving forward steadily.

Due to their small crew, carefully laid out protocols related to COVID-19, and Amache's remote location outside of Granada, CO, A&M Renovations was able to mobilize on-site starting March 31, 2020. As of last week, the construction crew finished sheathing the infill walls and roof, completed framing details in the infill section, and began jacking and augmenting the existing trusses and will continue this work also this week. In times like these where nothing seems certain, we feel good knowing that with the help of our partners, this project has maintained progress and is applying best preservation practices. Colorado Preservation, Inc. is proud to be instrumental in the work at Amache, an important National Historic Landmark in Colorado.



For more information, please contact Jane Daniels, Project Manager and Director of Preservation Services at Colorado Preservation, Inc. This project is partially funded by the Colorado State Historical Fund, the National Park Service's Japanese American Confinement Sites (JACS) Grant

Program, the Gates Family Foundation, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

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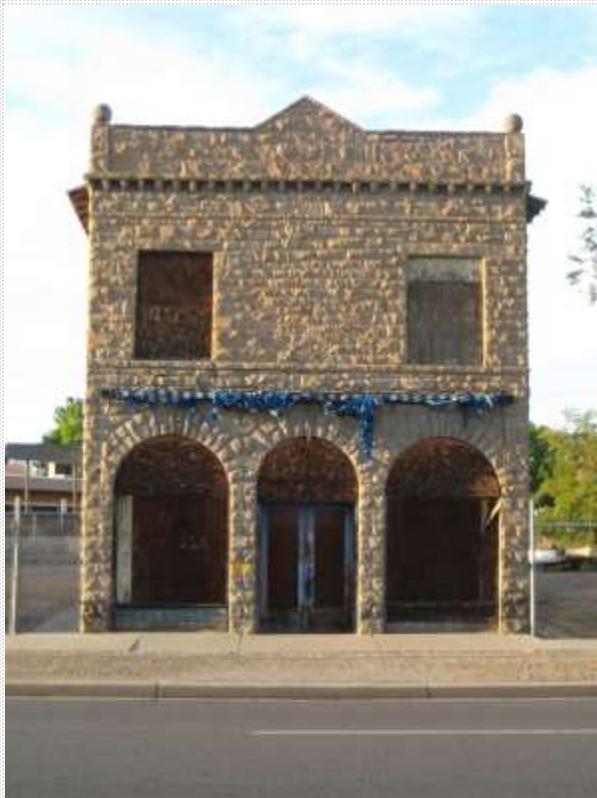
**Nominations Now Accepted for 2021 Listing on  
Colorado's Most Endangered Places!**



Colorado Preservation, Inc. is excited to announce that nominations are now being accepted for Colorado's Most Endangered Places for listing in 2021! **The deadline for nominations is 5pm August 24, 2020.** Nominations can be prepared by individuals or organizations working to save threatened or endangered historic sites.

[Click here to submit a nomination electronically.](#)

[Click here to download the Word Document](#) to fill out and mail or email back. Please note mailed forms must be postmarked by 5 pm on Monday, August 24th to qualify.



Since its founding in 1998, and initial listings in 1999, the Endangered Places Program (EPP) has worked with 127 historic properties and sites across Colorado that reflect the state's rich and diverse historical heritage and the variety of threats to these resources. Fifty sites have been declared "Saved" while 45 are "In Progress" and 25 are "Alert" status. Only 7 sites have been lost in the 22-year plus history of the program.

Listed resources range from agricultural, commercial, and industrial buildings to those tied to education, transportation, entertainment, ethnic traditions, and architectural sites. Threats to Colorado's historic resources range from natural phenomena like weatherization and storms, to development pressures, neglect, economic decline, and

insensitive demolition. Through the program, CPI works with local advocates, citizens, municipalities, businesses, and organizations to save threatened resources that are regionally diverse, historically significant, and reflective of greater preservation issues threatening historic resources statewide.

EPP listing often becomes a gateway for resources as they advance into successful preservation projects. Please act now to save an important site in your region! Nomination forms can be completed online or downloaded and filled out and mailed in with the required attachments. For information, contact Endangered Places Program Director Kim Grant at 303-893-4260 x 222 or [kgrant@coloradopreservation.org](mailto:kgrant@coloradopreservation.org).

Awardees for 2021 listing will be honored at our annual Saving Places Conference (February 9-12, 2021 at the Sheraton Downtown Denver Hotel).

[Click here for more information and Frequently Asked Questions on the program.](#)

*Funding for the Endangered Places Program is provided in part by a History Colorado State Historical Fund Grant and sponsorship by Alpine Bank.*

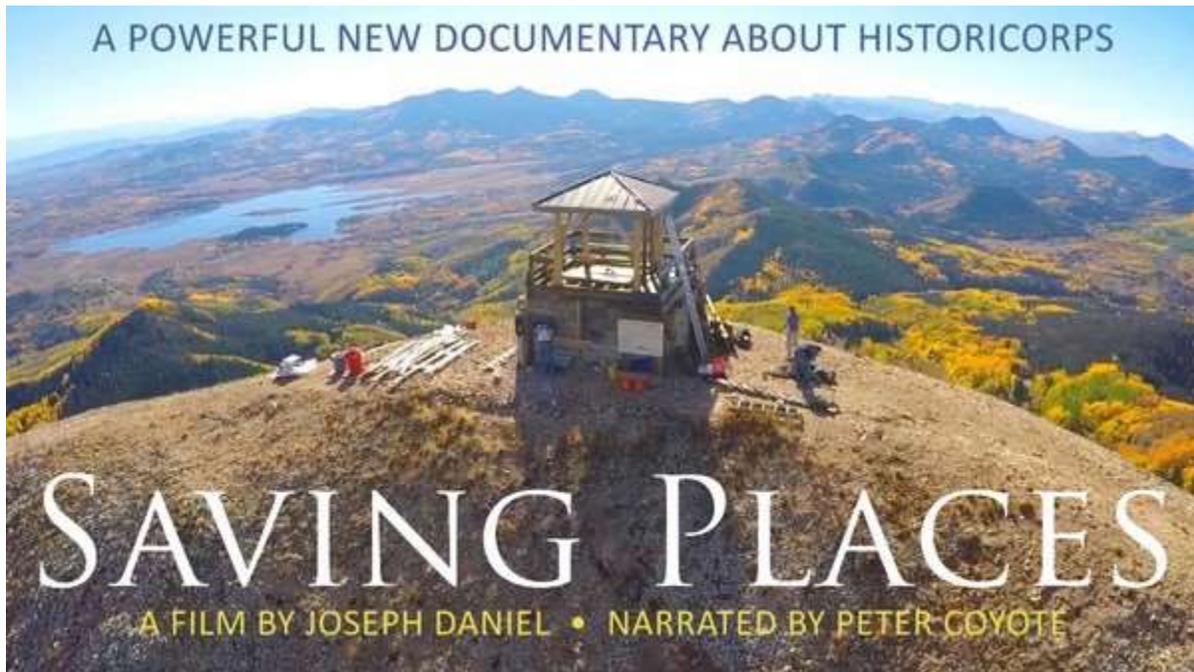


Did you miss the CBS4 Endangered Places Program special on the 2020 Endangered Places Sites? Head over the CBS Denver online today to [watch the full program.](#)



## Saving Places Documentary is Now on Demand

We know that just like us you are dreaming of great outdoor adventures, volunteering with your friends, and meeting new people! We have just the thing to help. While you are doing your part by staying at home – watch a great new documentary AND save those who save places.



[Saving Places](#) is a breathtaking documentary that follows the intrepid crews and passionate volunteers of [HistoriCorps](#), a small but mighty nonprofit organization, through an entire season of challenging work preserving and restoring over a dozen highly threatened, historically significant buildings on public lands.

With the current COVID-19 crisis HistoriCorps is in *dire* need of your help and support. The organization has been forced to suspend its operations. All we ask is that you buy a \$10 ticket to watch [Saving Places](#). Once you have seen it, we are certain you will be compelled to forward this to all your friends and post it on your social networks.

WATCH SAVING PLACES

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# COVID-19 Resources For Preservationists

## Heritage Emergency National Task Force

HENTF is a public-private partnership between FEMA and the Smithsonian Institution, has published a [COVID-19 Resource Hub](#), a web portal to an array of resources that can help the cultural heritage and creative communities respond to and recover from the pandemic. Resources have been grouped under the following categories:

- Federal and Global Guidance
- Dashboards for Situational Awareness
- Guidance on Funding Your Organization's Recovery
- Funder Support of the Heritage Community
- Collections Care During a Pandemic
- Resources for Museums
- Resources for Archives
- Resources for Libraries
- Resources for Artists and Arts Organizations
- Resources for Historic Properties, Sites, and Organizations
- Resources for Indian Country
- Resources for Emergency Managers
- Resources for Extension Educators
- Preparing for the Next Pandemic

Bookmark this page, which will be updated frequently as new information is made available: <https://culturalrescue.si.edu/hentf/major-disasters/current-disasters/>

## American Alliance of Museums

The Collections Stewardship Professional Network of AAM has additional COVID-19 resources - <https://www.collectionsstewardship.org/covid19-resources>

## Main Street America

[Main Street America](#), a program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, [released a report](#) finding that approximately 7.5 million small businesses are in danger of closing over the next five months if they do not quickly receive financial relief.

## National Trust for Historic Preservation

[Click here](#) for a range of resources for preservationists, museums, and historic sites from the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Of particular note are upcoming webinars:

**Coronavirus Response: The Historic Tax Credit as An Economic Recovery Tool**

*Friday, April 24 at 1:00 p.m. MDT, [click here to register](#).*

**Leveraging Insurance to Aid Your Organization During the Coronavirus**

*Tuesday, April 28 at 1:00–2:00 p.m. MDT, [click here to register](#).*



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