



Colorado Preservation, Inc.

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Dear Friends, Members, and Supporters,

The stage has been set! For all of you that had the chance to join us this past Monday at the Tabor Opera House for our first preservation training workshop of the year, we had an incredibly unique opportunity to go behind-the-scenes at one of Colorado's beloved icons. Led by project architects, Kris and Tim Hoehn, participants explored the building's future rehabilitation plans while touring the ongoing project. If you missed this opportunity, I would encourage you to not let another rare moment pass as spots are still available for our October workshop that will be led by JVA and take place at the historic Delany Farm in Aurora. These workshops provide an opportunity for a deep dive into specific preservation topics as well as a chance to explore some of Colorado's rare landmarks.

Places like the Tabor Opera House and the Delany Farm showcases preservation in action, but these projects represent just one aspect of the broader field. Beyond the physical restoration of buildings lie the bigger picture components of landscape preservation and cultural preservation. Exploring the many faces and perspectives of preservation and how preservation is defined by different communities is a theme CPI is excited to explore with all of you in 2022 at our Saving Places Conference.

Next year, we will expand the reach of the conference again by taking all of you on a deep dive into the culture of Saving Places. Session proposals are currently being accepted for a conference that will truly be unlike any other we have had. Unlike 2021's virtual conference, 2022 will be a hybrid event with in-person, online, and even an On the Road component that will bring attendees to the San Luis Valley next summer. Curious to learn more? Read this month's newsletter for a first look into what we have in store for February 2022!

See you on the road!
For our Past, Present, and Future,



Jennifer Orrigo Charles
Executive Director



Colorado Preservation, Inc. Technical Workshops are Back In-Person in 2021!

CPI is thrilled to bring back technical preservation workshops in 2021.

In August, CPI partnered with Hoehn Architects, PC in Leadville for an exclusive tour and training at the Tabor Opera House and see and learn up-close about the current rehabilitation projects.

CPI will now partner with JVA, Inc. in October to host a technical workshop on preservation structural engineering at the DeLaney Farm Historic District in Aurora, specifically at the Loafing Shed and the Education Barn. This is a unique opportunity to see an exposed structure with a completed project and another that needs future work. This onsite trainings is not to be missed!

CPI's Upcoming Training Workshop:

**OCTOBER 14: BASIC PRESERVATION FOR
THE NON-ENGINEER**

**Thursday | October 14 | 1:00 -5:00 pm
at the Delaney Farm in Aurora
Cost: CPI Members \$50 | Nonmember: \$65**



Basic Preservation for the Non-Engineer

Colorado Preservation, Inc. partners with JVA, Inc. for an afternoon of learning engineering concerns and strategies for the non-engineer at DeLaney Farm Historic District in Aurora, specifically at the Loafing Shed and Education Barn. This is a unique opportunity to see an exposed structure with a completed project and another that needs future work.

This workshop brings structural engineers specializing in historic structures and walks participants through the diagnostic process used to evaluate existing buildings and make treatment recommendations. The presenters will cover the process from beginning to end and use case studies to illustrate key concepts. The workshop provides stewards tools to understand their buildings and determine when to engage design professionals.



Approved
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Education

This workshop is approved for **4.0 LUs** (Learning Units) credits through the American Institute of Architects.

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Session Proposals for 2022 Conference

2022 marks the 25th anniversary of Colorado Preservation, Inc.'s (CPI) Saving Places® Conference, a fitting year to reflect and reimagine what is offered under the Saving Places Conference banner. Incorporating feedback and evaluations from previous conference events, CPI in 2022 embraces a **new hybrid structure for the conference that combines in-person, online, and On-the-Road training** presented in the proposed location of San Luis (details are unfolding!). At its core, the Saving Places conference provides critical training, networking, and educational opportunities to support the preservation community locally and nationwide.



The title of the 2022 conference will be “Perspectives in Preservation,” with the overarching **theme of bringing voices that have been lost, sidelined, or overlooked within the preservation community and beyond.** The 2022 Conference’s theme is Goal A, Preserving the Places that Matter, which allows CPI to explore how the community identifies, documents, evaluates, protects, and interprets Colorado’s irreplaceable historic and

cultural resources, significantly for underrepresented, native, and BIPOC communities. This theme also covers the different interpretations of preservation from cultural to landscape to physical building preservation. CPI plans to explore different viewpoints on preservation to broaden the discussion as we look to the future of this important movement. What preservation means to different

communities and how this definition could or should be expanded.

Submit a Session Proposal by 9/10



Amanda goes over some high points of the upcoming conference and CPI's request for session proposals.

Proposals are due Friday, September 10 at 5 pm MT.

Proposals are reviewed on a rolling basis, so please don't delay in order to receive feedback.

There is an additional recorded call about what makes a strong conference proposal [on CPI's website here](#).

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We Need You! Nominate a Place, Person, or Project for a State Honor Award



*Dana Crawford, photo
courtesy of Urban
Neighborhoods, Inc.*

The Dana Crawford & State Honor Awards recognizes individuals, organizations, public agencies, and businesses from across the state, whose work demonstrates excellence in historic preservation. Accomplishments are recognized in the areas of preservation, rehabilitation, stewardship, leadership, and philanthropy.

Nominations open for the 2022 awards

We want to hear from you! Help us recognize excellence in Colorado preservation by submitting nominations for a **State Honor Award**, celebrating significant individuals, projects, and milestones.

Nominate Today!

Manitou Springs Carnegie Library Moving Forward

The beautiful and dignified Manitou Springs Carnegie Library has crowned a gentle hill overlooking Manitou Avenue in the center of town. It was built with philanthropic funds provided by Andrew Carnegie in 1911. But its role as a library has seen ups and downs and recent challenges, relating in part to ADA access, that prompted a group of concerned citizens to nominate it to Colorado's Most Endangered Places in 2020. Although the nomination was very well



prepared, the site did not make it through the competitive process for listing in 2021. Nevertheless, the Endangered Places Program (EPP) has provided guidance and support for the Carnegie Library Task Force in their capacity building, outreach, and fundraising strategy development. Major progress has been made in the last 7-8 months to rally the community around a win-win design solution developed by Ratio Architects to rehabilitate the historic library building while adding a sensitive addition that meets the library program, including improved access.

This project serves as an example of how the EPP can continue to help nominated projects move forward in their preservation efforts, whether or not they make it onto Colorado's Most Endangered Places. The nomination process itself requires a certain degree of coordination and planning that often helps set the stage for ongoing community preservation efforts. The Carnegie Library Task Force has helped rally the Pike's Peak Library District (PPLD), the City of Manitou Springs, the Manitou Springs Historic Preservation Commission, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PARAB), and now the Manitou Springs Chamber of Commerce and local schools and citizens around the library preservation campaign. A Capital Campaign is getting underway to supplement funding provided by the City of Manitou Springs and the Manitou Arts, Culture and Heritage (MACH) initiative, which directs a portion of sales taxes to area non-profits. The campaign has also included bookmarks, door hangers, and outreach to schools to get the word out. An earlier State Historical Fund grant helped restore the historic library, a beautiful classical Italian Renaissance building designed by prominent architect Thomas McLaren and constructed of light brown brick with a red-tiled roof. While much work remains to be done to finalize the design of the library addition and raise the necessary funds for construction, the community is mobilizing in an impressive way to make it happen. Updates can be found on [the Carnegie Library city website](#) and the [task force Facebook page](#).

Turn up the Heat Boiler Campaign Mounted for Temple Aaron

While August 2020 may be historically hot here in Colorado, Temple Aaron is thinking even warmer thoughts by launching its Turn Up The Heat campaign to replace the ancient boiler that quit several years ago. Thanks to several generous donors, the Temple board of directors has made major progress in raising the \$60,000 estimated cost of boiler replacement in the unique, historically significant building that overlooks downtown Trinidad. The effort started with a challenge from Denver businessman and philanthropist Larry A. Mizel, who pledged to provide the final 20% of the goal needed if the Temple board could find the other 80%. Major gifts from Evan Makovsky and friends who recently visited the Temple and from Les Limon of Twin Enviro Services of Trinidad have helped raise more than



50% of the goal needed. Returning heat to the building is key to ensuring year-round services and programming to continue to build a future for Temple Aaron. An inaugural membership campaign is also underway, with several new members signing up at the Lifetime Membership level of \$1,800. Temple Aaron will welcome any gift of any size to continue to build strong community support for the future. As board member Sherry Glickman Knecht stressed, "Time is our newest challenge—to warm the heart, soul, and bones of our great Temple for this coming winter, we are seeking to raise the remaining \$30,000 within the next 30 days! Let's not let her get cold again... Let's Turn Up The Heat!"

An open house for interested members of the public will also be held at Temple Aaron as part of the Trails to Trinidad event benefitting Fisher's Peak State Park, and the 1908 Fox West Theatre, from 10:00 am-1:00 pm on Sunday, September 26th. Admission will be \$10 at the door, and bagels and lox and conversation provided. For information about the Trails to Trinidad event, please see www.FoxWestTheatre.com. For information about the Temple boiler campaign, membership, or the open house, see info@templeaaron.org.

EPP Site Update:

Commodore Mine (2006 Listing) Achieves National Register Listing

The Bachelor-Commodore Mine Complex, a historic mining district located outside of Creede in Mineral County, was [listed as a Colorado Preservation, Inc. Most Endangered Place in 2006](#) with “Natural Elements” cited as the main threat to the site. Encompassing nearly 30 acres of valley floor and adjacent steep mountain slopes of West Willow Creek Canyon, the Bachelor-Commodore Mine Complex has long stood as one of Colorado’s most scenic and photographed mining sites and is a regional icon. Its history and significance relate to the early silver bonanzas of the 1890s in the area which continued into base metal extraction during WWII. The mine finally closed in 1976 and in 2008-2010 underwent several Environmental Protection Agency surveys, assessments, and cleanup efforts.

After 15 years, we are excited to report that this multifaceted and rich site was listed in the National Register of Historic Places! This listing was no small feat, as the mine’s historic district is large, complex, and varied. Consisting of approximately 40 contributing and non-contributing resources, it is counted as one contributing site as it displays hardrock tunnel mine features that have high levels of integrity and are representative of the period of significance from 1891-1971. Thanks to the efforts and support of the private owner, Ty Poxson, the regional Environmental Protection Agency, in partnership with Mineral County, the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, and others including past researcher Mountain States Historical and Clerestory Preservation, who compiled and wrote the recent nomination, the Bachelor-Commodore Mine has passed the



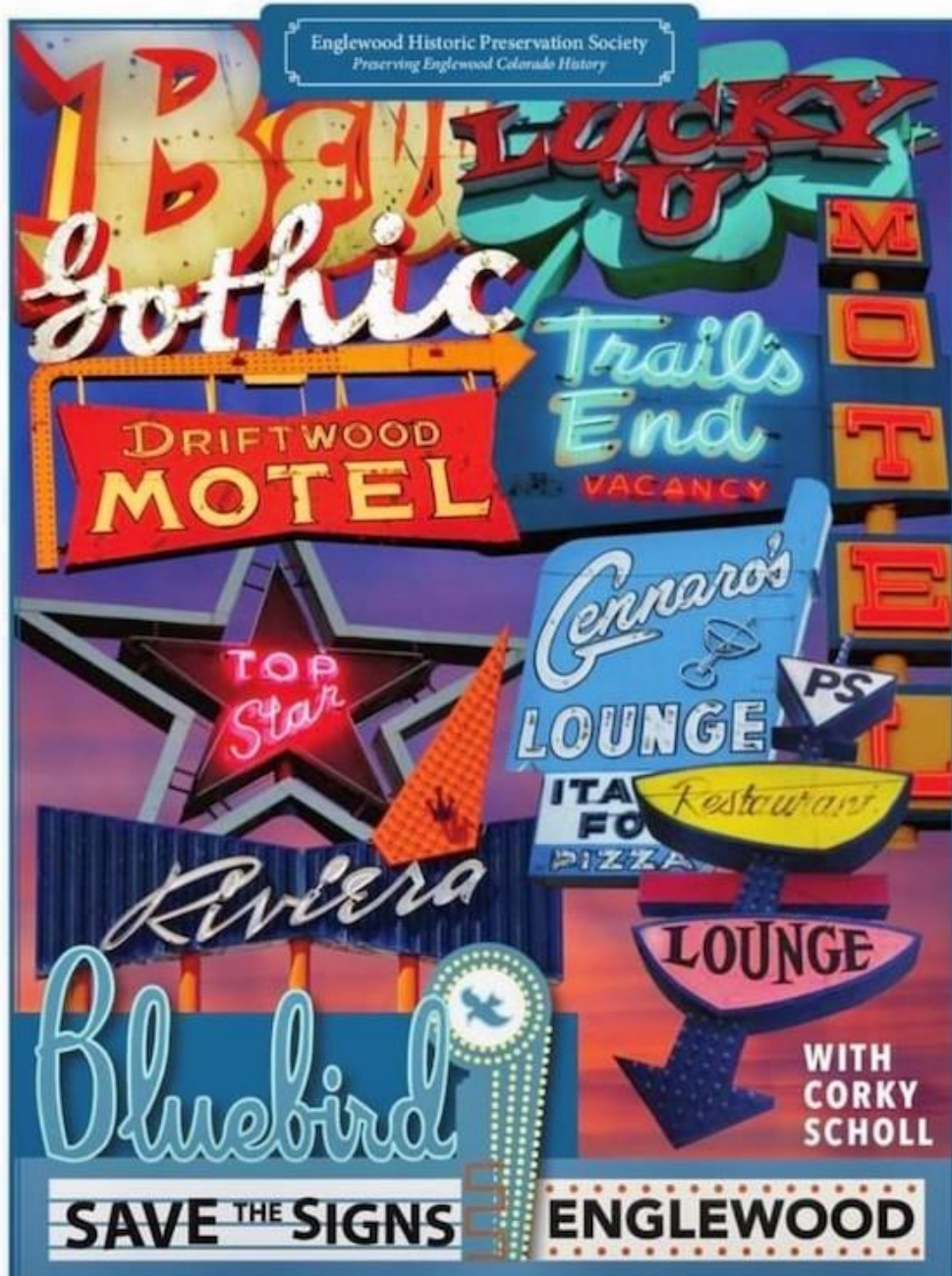
Photo courtesy of Clerestory Preservation.

first preservation test and is now officially designated as a historic site. The next steps will entail negotiating the complicated ownership of the mining parcels so that Mineral County can become future stewards of the district with a goal to stabilize, preserve, and restore the mine structures to make them safe for greater public access and heritage and educational tours.



Photo courtesy of Clerestory Preservation.

Save The Signs Program at Englewood Public Library



The Englewood Public Library is hosting a special presentation on the preservation of historic signs featuring Corky Scholl, who has worked extensively over the past few years to call attention to the need to preserve the Denver area's unique neon and other historic signage.

The program is sponsored by the Englewood Historic Preservation Society (EHPS) and will take place on **Monday, August 30th at 6:30pm** as part of the EHPS Lecture Series. The program will also include a **visit to The Filling Station at 3242 S. Acoma Street in Englewood.**

Mr. Scholl was instrumental in getting [the Neon Signs of Colfax listed on Colorado's Most Endangered Places in 2014](#) and has documented and helped preserve several historic signs, despite the bureaucratic and economic challenges in doing so, as part of his work with Save the Signs. [Click here for tickets.](#)

Trails to Trinidad - September 26, 2021

A day of festivities in Trinidad, CO to raise funds for The Fox West Theatre and Fishers Peak State Park initiatives is planned for September 26, 2021. The [first annual Trails to Trinidad event](#) will bring together people from across the region with members of the Trinidad community to raise funds and awareness for the arts and the environment.

Credit goes to the Trust for Public Land for its role in creating Fishers Peak, Colorado's newest State Park, and the Alliance for the preservation of the 1908 historic Fox West Theatre. [Learn more here.](#)

TRAILS *To* TRINIDAD

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

BENEFITTING

Fishers Peak State Park & 1908 Fox West Theatre



LIVE TELETHON & ONLINE AUCTION

5 to 8PM

BROADCAST FROM FOX WEST THEATRE & UPSWING GALLERY
STREAMING ON THE FOX WEST THEATRE FACEBOOK PAGE AND YOUTUBE CHANNEL
VIEWING PARTY AT TRINIDAD LOUNGE

TEMPLE AARON TOUR

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