

Preserving Historic Places:
Indiana's Statewide Preservation Conference

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Tuesday, April 26

Workshop

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Navigating Section 106 and SHAARD (pre-registration required)

Find out about the latest methods for getting projects through Section 106 review quickly and efficiently. Learn how to utilize SHAARD and SHAARD GIS databases.

Speaker and Moderator: **Ashley Thomas**, Historic Structures Reviewer, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Speaker: **Cathy Draeger-Williams**, Archaeologist, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Speaker: **Holly Tate**, Architectural Historian, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Speaker: **Jeannie Regan-Dinius**, Director of Special Initiatives, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Meet the Speakers Reception

5 – 8 p.m.

Mont Clair Farm, 3890 Johnson Farm Road

Mark and Becca Ewing host us at their home, historic Mont Clair Farm. Predating Indiana statehood, the farm's elegant home was built around 1809 and displays the artifacts, furnishings, and loving stewardship of six generations of Ewings.

Wednesday, April 27

Conference Registration and Bookstore

8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall, 100 South 3rd Street

Free parking is available in the public lot on Vigo Street between 3rd and 4th streets—across from the Parish Hall—and on the street.

Continental Breakfast

8 – 10 a.m.

St Francis Xavier Parish Hall

Field Session 1

9 – 11:45 a.m.

Holding Back the Water: Restoration of the George Rogers Clark National Historical Park (pre-registration required)

With its close proximity to the Wabash River, George Rogers Clark National Historical Park and Memorial, a National Historic Landmark, is susceptible to water infiltration and flooding. The project architect and engineer lead participants through the process that led to repairs that extends the life of both the Wabash River floodwall and George Rogers Clark Memorial.

Speaker: **David Kroll**, Principal/Director of Historic Preservation, RATIO Architects
Speaker: **Scott Drake**, Historic Preservation Specialist and LEED Green Associate, ARSEE Engineers

Moderator: **Frank Doughman**, Superintendent, George Rogers Clark National Historical Park, National Park Service

Educational Sessions

9 – 10:15 a.m.

Educational Session 1

History in 3D: Rebuilding South bend's Architectural Heritage

Learn how a collaborative effort of museums, preservationists and libraries developed a website, mobile app, 3D model, and immersive virtual reality experiences to tell the story of South Bend's architectural heritage. Panelists discuss the process, tools and outcomes that could be replicated in your community.

Speaker: **Brandon J. Anderson**, Deputy Executive Director, The History Museum
Speaker: **Elicia Feasel**, Director, Historic Preservation Commission of South Bend & St. Joseph County

Speaker: **Adam Heet**, Digital Projects Specialist, Hesburgh Libraries of Notre Dame's Architecture Library

Moderator: **Todd Zeiger**, Director, Northern Regional Office, Indiana Landmarks

Educational Session 2

The Indiana and Illinois Mounds Initiative

The first archaeological resources recognized in Indiana, prehistoric mounds and other earthworks are nevertheless threatened by erosion, agriculture, development, and looting. Hear about education, identification, and preservation efforts in the Wabash Valley to help save these irreplaceable resources.

Speaker: **Beth McCord**, Senior Principal Investigator, Archaeology, Gray & Pape, Inc.

Speaker: : **Ed Weilbacher**, Vice President for Building Greener Communities, HeartLands Conservancy

Moderator: **Malia Vanaman**, Associate Grants Manager, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Educational Session 3

Creating Affordable Housing in Historic Places

Affordable housing can provide the solution to revive a variety of otherwise vacant historic structures including schools, hospitals, and abandoned homes. Learn how a for-profit developer and a non-profit preservation organization use historic buildings to create attractive, affordable housing that revitalizes communities.

Speaker: **Steve Wyatt**, Executive Director, Bloomington Restorations, Inc.

Speaker: **Julie Collier**, Developer, Flaherty & Collins Properties

Moderator: **Tommy Kleckner**, Director, Western Regional Office, Indiana Landmarks

Educational Sessions

10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Educational Session 4

From Stone to Steel: Documenting and Preserving Historic Bridges

Stone-arched bridges—a rare resource in Indiana—can pose preservation challenges. Understanding their history and construction methods can help us promote their significance and uncover preservation strategies. The story of the Vincennes Bridge Company reveals a history of iron and steel bridge construction across Indiana. We'll explore what's left of VBC's legacy and other iconic steel structures in southern Indiana.

Speaker: **Cynthia Brubaker**, Preservation Developer, I. Fell Building

Speaker: **Ross Nelson**, Survey/National Register Manager, Ohio State Historic Preservation Office

Moderator: **Mark Dollase**, Vice President of Preservation Services, Indiana Landmarks

Educational Session 5

Saving Places with Social Media

Want to learn the most effective way to incorporate social media in your preservation campaign? Learn tips and strategies from The National Trust for Historic Preservation, and an activist reveals how last-minute social media helped save the Owen Block—a threatened 1882 row of townhouses in Evansville.

Speaker: **Grant Stevens**, Manager, Community Outreach, National Trust for Historic Preservation

Speaker: **Jesika Ellis**, Creator of the Owen Block Preservation Facebook Page/Community

Moderator: **Raina Regan**, Community Preservation Specialist, Central Regional Office, Indiana Landmarks

Educational Session 6

Archaeology and Preservation of French Architecture

Sponsored by Indiana University's Cornelius O'Brien Lecture Series. Free and open to the public.

French culture plays a significant role in Indiana history, with the archaeological remains of early houses telling the story of French construction methods. From early half-timber and stone with plaster infill, to more durable *pièce sur pièce*, or stick on stick, these remnants provide clues to restoring extant French structures.

Speaker: Wade Tharp, Archaeologist, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Speaker: Donna Rausch, Site Administrator, Felix Vallé House State Historic Site, Missouri Department of Natural Resources

Moderator: Amy Johnson, State Archaeologist, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Lunch and Welcome

Noon – 2:00 p.m.

Stories from Indiana's Oldest City

If you can't recall all of your fourth grade Indiana history, fear not. Local historian Norbert Brown looks back on the development of the oldest city in Indiana from George Rogers Clark and the American Revolution to Vincennes' leadership role in the Indiana Territory. Through historic photos, drawings and stories, discover why we say, "Vincennes, *c'est si bon!*"

Speaker: Honorable Joseph Yochum, Mayor of Vincennes

Speaker: Norbert Brown, Historian, Vincennes Historical and Antiquarian Society

Moderator: Dr. Philip Scarpino, Professor of History; Director, Graduate Program in Public History; Director of Oral History, Tobias Center for Leadership Excellence; Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis

Plenary Session

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

The National Historic Preservation Act at 50: Its Impact on the Preservation Movement in Indiana and the Nation

Over the last 50 years, the National Historic Preservation Act has dramatically expanded the preservation of historic places in America. The act remains an essential tool in helping revitalize historic neighborhoods and downtowns, recognize individual landmarks, and protect rural landscapes and archaeological resources. Through his study of the National Historic Preservation Act, Dr. Glass illustrates how preservation has evolved in Indiana since the 1960s. We'll also present former Hoosier and preservation legend, Robert Utley with the prestigious Sagamore of the Wabash for his contributions to the creation of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Paul Diebold updates us on Preservation 50's initiatives to celebrate and strengthen the preservation movement.

Speaker: **Dr. James A. Glass**, Principal, Historic Preservation & Heritage Consulting, LLC

Speaker: **Paul Diebold**, Assistant Director of Preservation Services, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Moderator: **Dr. Philip Scarpino**, Professor of History; Director, Graduate Program in Public History; Director of Oral History, Tobias Center for Leadership Excellence; Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis

Tour 1

3:30-5:00 p.m.

Upstairs-Downstairs

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Museum, Cemetery and the George Rogers Clark Memorial

Explore Indiana's oldest library, showcasing a document from 1319 issued by Pope John XXII and a 13th-century illuminated manuscript. Then, venture below the Old Cathedral to the crypt which holds the remains for four bishops, and visit the adjacent cemetery, final resting place for early Vincennes' citizens. Go back underground with a rare look beneath the George Rogers Clark Memorial, an area that served as a bomb shelter during the height of the Cold War.

Tour 2

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Clark's Crossing Apartments

300 North 6th Street

Free parking available in the public lot on 6th Street and on the street

Tour this 1916 school newly converted to senior housing.

Dinner & Plenary

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Preserving a President's Home: Assessing Conditions at Grouseland

The Friends of Grouseland host dinner in the 1926 Adams Coliseum where Eric Gradoia shares findings of the historic structure report that's guiding the preservation of Grouseland, the National Historic Landmark home of President William Henry Harrison. *Sponsored by the City of Vincennes and Flaherty & Collins Properties*

Speaker: **Eric Gradoia**, Architectural Historian, Mesick Cohen Wilson Baker Architects

Moderator: **Lisa Ice-Jones**, Executive Director, Grouseland

Calling all Ball State Alumni

After dinner, head to the Country Club of Old Vincennes (2715 Washington Ave) for conversation and sharing of Ball State memories. Cash bar, no RSVP necessary. Sponsored by the Ball State University Historic Preservation Program.

Thursday April 28

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8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Workshop

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CAMP: Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program (pre-registration required)

No need for bug spray or sleeping bags at this CAMP. You'll learn ways to increase the effectiveness of local preservation commissions and draw upon best practices from around the country. CAMP is the signature training program offered by the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions and is led by qualified preservation professionals who work to build strong local preservation programs through education, advocacy, and training.

Educational Sessions

9:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Educational Session 7

Raising the Curtain on Long-Forgotten Theaters

Restored historic theaters can be a great way to bring visitors downtown and residents together, but how do you identify funding and build community support for what can be a financially-daunting project? We'll explore the financial challenges and opportunities, local investment strategies, and survival skills of successful historic theaters.

Speaker: **Robin Overbey**, Marketing Director, Princeton Theatre

Speaker: **Rob Shilts**, Executive Director, Franklin Heritage, Inc. and The Historic Artcraft Theatre

Speaker: **Karen Moyars**, Fowler Theatre and Prairie Preservation Guild

Moderator: **Jarrad Holbrook**, Director, Southeast Field Office, Indiana Landmarks

Educational Session 8

Interpreting and Preserving the Buildings of Underrepresented Communities

Sponsored by Indiana University's Cornelius O'Brien Lecture Series. Free and open to the public.

Minorities and underrepresented communities often struggle to tell their stories through their landmarks. Alterations and simple architecture often signal important pasts that are overlooked in traditional preservation guidelines. Join in this important discussion of the challenges and solutions for recognizing the important historic places associated with underrepresented communities.

Speaker: **Jordan Ryan**, Public History Graduate Student, Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis

Speaker: **Brent Leggs**, Senior Field Officer, National Trust for Historic Preservation and Harvard Loeb Fellow

Speaker: **Diane Hunter**, Interim Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Miami Tribe of Oklahoma

Moderator: **Mark Dollase**, Vice President of Preservation Services, Indiana Landmarks

Educational Session 9

The Blight Stops Here: Creative Solutions and Reforms

Sponsored by Indiana University's Cornelius O'Brien Lecture Series. Free and open to the public.

Learn how a creative collaboration between law and code enforcement in St. Louis tackles and solves the problem properties that lead to a downward spiral of crime and deterioration in residential communities. Hear about updates in blight reform at state and local levels.

Speaker: **Debra A. Carnahan**, Principal, Carnahan Global Consulting and Co-Director Preservation Action

Speaker: **Kathleen Taylor**, Convener and Policy Director, Indiana Association for Community Economic Development

Moderator: **Greg Sekula**, Director, Southern Regional Office, Indiana Landmarks

Educational Sessions

10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Educational Session 10

Let's Get Digital: Creative Fundraising to Convert Historic Theaters to Digital Technology

With the current dictum to "go digital or go dark," historic movie theaters across the country face a significant financial hurdle. Hear about a case study of 83 small theaters

that used Kickstarter to fund digital conversions. Learn factors that lead to success and failure and discover ways to expand the theater support base by incorporating new uses like cafes and conference spaces.

Speaker: **Dr. Mary Ann Heidemann**, Associate Professor of Architecture and Director of the Historic Preservation Graduate Program, Ball State University

Moderator: **Kim Smith**, Community Preservation Specialist, Western Regional Office, Indiana Landmarks

Educational Session 11

New Research: Student Master's Theses

Young scholars and emerging professionals in historic preservation and related fields present original research from their recent Master's theses, using resources from within the state and beyond to interpret historic places, better understand how to preserve and restore our built environment, and develop context that might help you with your next project.

Speakers: Public History Program students from Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis and Historic Preservation Program students from Ball State University

Moderator: **Rachel Sharkey**, Archaeologist and Records Check Coordinator, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Educational Session 12

Turning the Tables on Education: Youth Interpreters for Historic Sites and Communities

How do you get kids interested in local history? Ask them to be the instructors! Creative projects teach students the stories behind local landmarks and history and they turn that knowledge into education for all ages. Hear how high school students injected Cold War history into interpretation of the George Rogers Clark Memorial and how students in Madison surveyed barns, developed leadership skills, and created a Black History Month exhibit.

Speaker: **Rhonda Deeg**, Director of Programs, Historic Madison, Inc.

Speaker: **Frank Doughman**, Superintendent, George Rogers Clark National Historical Park, National Park Service

Moderator: **Amy Borland**, Architectural Historian, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Field Session 2

Noon – 2:00 p.m.

Fire Safety and Suppression in Historic Structures (pre-registration required)

Fire safety and suppression presents challenges to historic downtown commercial buildings with party walls and multiple owners. A demonstration project conducted by

Indiana Landmarks and Goshen Main Street offers creative architectural and safety designs to help building owners renovate vacant upper floors. A field session discussion will review methods to minimize the likelihood of a fire and limit damage when fire occurs. This field session will include unfinished historic buildings, so wear appropriate shoes.

Speaker: **Todd Zeiger**, Director, Northern Regional Office, Indiana Landmarks

Speaker: **Adam Vaal**, Instructor, Fire Science and Safety, Vincennes University

Lunch On Your Own

11:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Enjoy Vincennes' local restaurants and shops; check your registration bag for a list of options.

Plenary Session

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Indiana Preservation Awards

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

205 Church Street

The Old Cathedral makes a perfect setting for the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology's annual preservation awards. As you take in the splendor of this magnificent church, learn about its history and preservation from Father John Schipp.

Speaker: **Father John Schipp**, Retired Pastor, St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

Moderator: **Steve Kennedy**, Assistant Director of Administration, Financial Incentives, and Planning, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Educational Sessions

3:30 – 4:45 p.m.

Educational Session 13

Historic Opera Houses and Theaters—Past, Present and Future

Although once the entertainment heart of many downtowns in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, many opera houses have been shuttered for years, often empty or serving as storage units. Several towns have returned their opera houses to showplaces, drawing in locals as well as visitors. Discover how your local opera house can go from vacant to vibrant.

Speaker: **Rose Wernicke**, Independent History Consultant

Speaker: **Anita Werling**, Chair, Opera House Advisory Board, Delphi Preservation Society

Speaker: **Alyssa Prince**, Director, Strategic Development & Special Projects, Hoosier Uplands Economic Development Corporation

Moderator: **Holly Tate**, Architectural Historian, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Educational Session 14 **Saving Sacred Places**

Americans don't worship like they used to, especially not in numbers that support many large historic buildings. When congregations shrink, maintenance suffers and soon we have a landmark in trouble. Learn how Sacred Places Indiana—a new initiative of Indiana Landmarks and Partners for Sacred Places—helps congregations get back on track through intensive training in stewardship, community engagement, and fundraising.

Speaker: **David Frederick**, Director, Sacred Places Indiana, Indiana Landmarks

Speaker: **Bob Jaeger**, President, Partners for Sacred Places

Moderator: **Rachel Sharkey**, Archaeologist and Records Check Coordinator, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Educational Session 15 **Rock Solid: Evaluating and Repairing Indiana Limestone**

From the Knox County Courthouse to the Empire State Building, Indiana limestone defines durability and quality. However, age and exposure can lead to distress. Changes in carving details and the use of non-limestone components can create more durability. Learn about historic and contemporary cladding systems, issues that can develop, and significant repair projects.

Speaker: **Edward Gerns**, Principal, Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc.

Speaker: **Steve Naggatz**, Senior Associate, Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc.

Speaker: **Logan Cook**, Associate III, Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc.

Moderator: **David Duvall**, Historical Architect and Tax Credit Administrator, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Dinner & Tour

Tour 3

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Indiana State Museum Historical Sites

Enjoy light refreshments as you stroll among authentic and recreated landmarks from Indiana's frontier period, including the territorial capitol, Jefferson Academy and Elihu Stout Print Shop.

Tippecanoe and Barbecue Too!

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

General William Henry Harrison shows up at our 1840 campaign barbecue at Grouseland, his Vincennes home. We'll toast Old Tip with a cup of hard cider and sing a few rousing campaign songs guaranteed to help defeat Martin Van Ruin! Dinner will be under a tent; please dress for the weather.

Friday April 29

Conference Registration

8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

First Christian Church, 319 Broadway Street

Parking is available in the church lot accessed via Broadway Street or on the street.

Continental Breakfast

8:00 – 10:30 a.m.

First Christian Church

Educational Sessions

9:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Educational Session 16

New Architectural Research Collections

Discover the architectural treasures held within libraries and archives around the state. Whether you're researching one of Indiana's prolific architects or just looking for cool photographs, check out the items in the growing number of digital resources.

Speaker: **Jordan Ryan**, Intern, Indiana Historical Society and Public History Graduate Student, Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis

Speaker: **Brittany Kropf**, Rare Books & Manuscripts Librarian, Indiana State Library

Moderator: **Judy Kratzner**, Literacy Coordinator, Knox County Public Library

Educational Session 17

The Evolution of Preservation in Vincennes

Preservation practices have come a long way in the last 50-plus years. Two Vincennes landmarks—Second State Bank and Red House—demonstrate the evolution of the movement. Learn how Ball State's Historic Preservation program is guiding Second State Bank in addressing 1960s alterations and taking the property into the 21st century with appropriate ADA modifications. We'll explore the philosophical and ethical preservation issues of Red House, a state historic site that served as one of the meeting places for Indiana's territorial legislature. What will attendees of the 2066 preservation conference have to say about our practices?

Speaker: **Susan Lankford**, Instructor, Graduate Program in Historic Preservation, Ball State University College of Architecture and Planning

Speaker: **Link Ludington**, Director of Historic Preservation, Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites

Moderator: **Chad Slider**, Assistant Director of Environmental Review, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Educational Session 18

An Update on the Indiana Historic Preservation Grant Program

The 2015 Indiana legislature revised the Rehabilitation Tax Credit as a grant program managed by the Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Learn about the changes in the program, the types of projects that are eligible, and how to take advantage of the grants.

Speaker: **Matt Crouch**, Senior Project Manager, Office of Community and Rural Affairs

Moderator: **David Duvall**, Historical Architect and Tax Credit Administrator, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Plenary Session

10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

The National Historic Preservation Act: What Works? What Needs Fixing?

Sponsored by Indiana University's Cornelius O'Brien Lecture Series. Free and open to the public.

Since the passing of the National Historic Preservation Act in 1966, American society has evolved, but has the law kept pace with our changing culture and technology? Here is your chance to offer feedback on what we can do to improve the federal preservation law.

Speaker: **Paul Diebold**, Assistant Director of Preservation Services, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology

Speaker: **Paul Loether**, National Register Chief, National Park Service

Moderator: **Jeannie Regan-Dinius**, Director of Special Initiatives, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

Luncheon and Plenary Session

Noon – 1:30

Preservation Legislation: Today and Tomorrow

The National Historic Preservation Act has been essential in the preservation of historic structures over the last 50 years. However, without continued legislative support and funding, many preservation efforts will be in jeopardy. Through grassroots lobbying efforts, Preservation Action seeks to advance historic preservation from town hall to Capitol Hill. Hear from the leading national lobbying organization for preservation and learn what we must do to promote and protect our shared vision.

Speaker: **Russ Carnahan**, Co-Director Preservation Action and former United States Congressman

Moderator: **Marsh Davis**, President, Indiana Landmarks

Tours

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Tour 4

Revitalizing Main Street

Explore the past, present, and future of Vincennes' commercial district. The tour visits two historic theaters and discusses the role of INVin, a business and arts innovation initiative. Dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes.

Guides: **Ellen Harper**, Executive Director, INVin and **Norbert Brown**, Historian, Vincennes Historical and Antiquarian Society

Tour 5

The WPA Legacy in Vincennes (pre-registration required)

The Works Progress Administration, authorized in 1935, put the Depression-era unemployed to work on public projects. Their legacy is visible in Kimmell and Gregg parks in Vincennes. Our bus and walking tour visits a variety of WPA projects, including shelter houses, a band shell, and even a football stadium. We'll look at the preservation issues these places present, and the interpretation of this fascinating part of American architectural history. Dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes

Guide: **Glory-June Greiff**, Public Historian