



# SAN ANTONIO PRESERVATION NEWSLINK

*January 2010 Edition*



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Welcome to the first Office of Historic Preservation newsletter of 2010. With the New Year, I want to take a moment to thank you for making the last year (and my first year in San Antonio) such a great success for OHP. 2009 was a big year for preservation in San Antonio with the adoption by City Council in August of the Strategic Historic Preservation Plan. Implementing the plan will bring several new exciting initiatives in 2010. For example, we will continue our public education and outreach efforts started in 2009. In addition to launching the newsletter, we hosted our very first historic homeowner fair and two realtor trainings. With UTSA, we hosted three window rehabilitation workshops and had the exciting opportunity to co-present with the Downtown Alliance the Urban Renaissance luncheon on preservation and sustainability. OHP is eager to provide several new educational opportunities in the New Year. Please let us know if you have suggestions for future training topics so that we can be the best resource we can be for historic property owners. Stay tuned and thanks again for your continued interest in preserving our "sense of place" through historic preservation. Happy New Year!

*Shanon*

## ***Local property covered in National Trust publication***

In *Preservation*, the magazine of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the spotlight was placed on 421 Cedar in their January/February edition. The story discusses the restoration and rebuilding of the house located within the King William district after the June 2008 fire that caused severe damage to the structure. You can read more by visiting Preservation Nation at:

<http://www.preservationnation.org/magazine/2010/january-february/ashes-pp.html>



## ***Save the Date***

Is there a preservation issue or topic that you are interested in hearing more about or discussed by the Office of Historic Preservation? Please email us at

[OHP@sanantonio.gov](mailto:OHP@sanantonio.gov) with any potential topics for our Lunch and Learn at the One Stop and don't forget to bring your brown bag lunch!!!



**Where: 1901 S. Alamo Training Rooms A&B**

**When: To be determined**

**What: Office of Historic Preservation**

## **Contact Us!**

The Office of Historic Preservation is dedicated to improving public outreach and awareness of preservation issues and events in San Antonio. Please contact us at [OHP@sanantonio.gov](mailto:OHP@sanantonio.gov) or call (210) 207-7244 for more information or to subscribe or unsubscribe to this newsletter.

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## Preservation Texas Summit - Austin, TX Feb 4th-5th, 2010

The Office of Historic Preservation is proud to participate in the Preservation Summit held in the Texas State Capitol. The Preservation Summit is an opportunity to identify issues related to the preservation of the historic built environment, develop strategic approaches and solutions to the issues, and cultivate partnerships across the state. The Summit is not a conference with presentations and question/answer sessions; it is a dynamic format designed to be inclusive and, to promote the exchange of preservation experiences.

During the Summit, Preservation Texas will also host the Annual Membership Meeting and will announce the Texas' Most Endangered Places List.

[Preservation Texas](#)

**identify**  
preservation-related issues

**share**  
successes and challenges

**cultivate**  
partnerships across the state

**mark your calendars**

**February 4-5, 2010**  
**Austin, Texas**

For more information, contact  
Krista Gebbia: 512.472.0102 or  
email: [info@preservationtexas.org](mailto:info@preservationtexas.org),  
[www.preservationtexas.org](http://www.preservationtexas.org)

Have your voice heard!  
Join fellow Texans in Austin to:

- Discuss preservation issues
- Learn about the 2010 Texas' Most Endangered Places list
- Pay tribute to the 2010 Preservation Texas Honor Awardees

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### **Villa Finale -National Trust site and house museum located within the King William historic district**

#### ***A Legacy Assembled: An In-Depth Look***

Join Meg Nowack, Villa Finale's Curator, for an afternoon lecture that takes an in-depth look at the exhibition, *A Legacy Assembled: A Preview of the Villa Finale Collection*, now in the Visitor Center. Meg Nowack's lecture will cover object history, anecdotes and interesting descriptions of each exhibit piece.

**Saturday, February 6, 2010**

2pm – 3:30pm

Admission \$5 – Space is limited

[Friends of Villa Finale](#) receive 10% discount

#### ***Workshop: Practical Applications of Conservation***

Curator Meg Nowack leads this hands-on workshop in which participants are instructed on the handling, cleaning and storage of items found in the home, such as family photos and papers, heirloom silver and delicate textiles. Workshop price includes a light lunch consisting of a cold sandwich, chips, drink, and fruit.

**Saturday, February 20th, 2010**

Registration deadline Thursday, February 18th, 2010 at

4pm CST

10am – 12pm

Admission \$20 – Space is limited

[Friends of Villa Finale](#) receive 10% discount

### **LECTURE AND WORKSHOP COMBINATION OFFER**

Purchase both the lecture and workshop together for only \$20. **Please mention the Lecture & Workshop Combination offer at the time of purchase.** [Friends of Villa Finale](#) receive an additional 10% discount.

For further information, please call Villa Finale at (210) 223-9800 extension 34323 or stop by the Visitor Center at 122 Madison located within the King William neighborhood.

## *The San Antonio Museum of Art*

The San Antonio Museum of Art presents the 13th in a series of symposia on decorative arts underwritten by the Mays Family Foundation.

### Architectural Inspirations and Traditions: Antiquity to the 21st Century



Aureus of Claudius, reverse: Triumphal arch commemorating victories over the Germans  
Roman, ca. A.D. 41-45  
Gold, diam. 5/4 in.  
San Antonio Museum of Art, gift of Gilbert M. Denman, Jr.  
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Saturday, February 6, 2010

9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

San Antonio Museum of Art  
200 West Jones Avenue  
San Antonio, Texas 78215  
210.978.8100

Registration begins at 9 a.m.

### Architectural Inspirations and Traditions: Antiquity to the 21st Century

Registration is \$35 for SAMA members, \$45 for non-members and \$15 for students.

Registration fee includes lunch. You may mail your payment to the San Antonio Museum of Art or call 210.978.8133 to register by phone. Seating is limited.



### *Texas Historical Commission*

*Does your organization need money for a worthy project or program? If so, then don't despair!*

The popular Grant Writing Workshops hosted by the Friends of the Texas Historical Commission (THC) are back! The workshops will be held in two tracks: a one-day, advanced workshop Feb. 3rd and a two-day basic workshop Feb. 4th-5th for beginners. Due to demand, this is the first winter installment of the workshops, which will be held again in June. The workshops are designed to benefit staff, board members and volunteers

from a wide variety of organizations, including historic preservation organizations, museums, the arts, nonprofits, and religious and educational institutions. The basic sessions will explore all aspects of fundraising, including potential sources of financial support, developing a funding strategy and writing successful proposals. Participants are encouraged to bring a laptop computer to the workshops, along with a brief description of their programming and funding needs, as well as a basic budget. Draft proposals are also welcome and can be reviewed with the instructors.

For additional information on the workshops or to register, visit the THC [web site](#) and select **Grants and Economic Incentives** on the left side of the page and then **Grant Writing Workshops** in the drop down tab, or call **512.463.6092**.

### *Preserve America and Texas Historical Commission*

Preserve America in partnership with The Texas Historical Commission's Main Street program is very pleased to announce a free preservation seminar this February, featuring Mr. Noré Winter, of the nationally acclaimed Winter & Company of Boulder, Colorado. Mr. Winter has been involved with Main Street programs since the National Trust initiated the Main Street concept in the 1980s, and he is well known across the country for his expertise in design, preservation, sustainability and community livability.

The free seminar will be held on Feb. 18th, 2010, at the Texas Theater in downtown Waxahachie, 110 West Main Street, Waxahachie, TX, and will cover two main segments: *Basic Principles of Design on Main Street* (morning) and *Current Planning Issues on Main Street* (afternoon). For complete details and registration information please contact Kimberley Klein (512) 463-6092 **The full-day Preservation Seminar is open to anyone with an interest in downtown revitalization and historic preservation. Hope to see you there!!!**



**We're on the web:**



Check out the new historic preservation blog on the San Antonio Express-News website at

<http://voices.mysanantonio.com/swasielewski/>



The Office of Historic Preservation is on Facebook! Click the Facebook icon to add us as your friend. Facebook is a great resource for promoting preservation events and networking with other people in the community interested in preservation topics. If you are unable to open the link, simply login to [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) and search for us under "City of San Antonio Office of Historic Preservation".

## City of San Antonio Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative March

The annual Martin Luther King, Jr. March, is scheduled for Monday, January 18th, 2010. The march will begin at 10 a.m. at the MLK Freedom Bridge located at 3500 MLK Drive and end at Pittman-Sullivan Park, 1101 Iowa St. San Antonio hosts the largest MLK march in the United States.



Please visit our new website at [www.sanantonio.gov/historic](http://www.sanantonio.gov/historic). Updates and improvements are being made constantly.



## Historic House Rescue List

The Office of Historic Preservation maintains a list of people interested in acquiring historic properties that are in a dilapidated state and require significant investment. The people on this list can be contacted regarding moving a house to a more secure location to prevent demolition or to purchase the property if the current owner cannot or does not wish to maintain the property. If you are interested in more details about this list or would like to be added to the list to be notified about potential properties that require assistance, please contact Larry Gutierrez at 207-7902 or by email at [larry.gutierrez@sanantonio.gov](mailto:larry.gutierrez@sanantonio.gov).

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