



# HISTORIC PRESERVATION EDUCATION FOUNDATION

## Partners in Training – Call for Proposals – Spring 2021

The Historic Preservation Education Foundation (HPEF) initiative, *Partners in Training*, furthers our mission of providing training opportunities on technical topics associated with preservation technology. This program was developed partly in response to cuts in public funding for preservation training, and seeks to replicate the success HPEF has enjoyed working with other educational institutions and organizations that share its passion for the technical aspects of preservation.

Founded in 1986, HPEF has presented major national conferences and sponsored publications and events supporting preservation technology, including:

- Preserving the Recent Past 3 Conference, Los Angeles, California, 2019.
- Historic Tax Credits for Rehabilitation: Challenges in Developing Mid-Twentieth Century Buildings Conference, Los Angeles, California, 2019.
- Partners in Training Sponsor, US/ICOMOS, Symposium: Smarter Together: Activating Shared Cultural and Natural Heritage Conservation Practices, San Francisco, California, 2018.
- Partners in Training Sponsor, “Greening Measures for Hawaii’s Heritage Homes” Workshop Series, Honolulu, Hawaii, 2018.
- Partners in Training Sponsor, Building Technology Heritage Library, 2017.
- Partners in Training Sponsor, Windows to the Future - Hands-on Restoration Training for a Young Audience, Montana, 2017.
- Documenting Modern Architecture Project: Paul Schweikher House, Schaumburg, Illinois, 2016.
- Partners in Training Sponsor, Symposium on Strategies for Adapting Historic Buildings to Coastal Flooding, Galveston, 2016.
- Online Sustainable Conservation Assistance Resource, 2015.
- Taliesin Colloquium “From Grime to Sublime”: Standards for Cleaning Masonry Buildings, 2014.
- Traditional Cultural Place Conference, Dover, Delaware, 2014.
- Craft Skills Development Summit, Washington, D.C., 2013.
- Workshop for Caretakers of Older Religious Properties, New Bedford, Massachusetts, 2013.
- 12th International Congress on the Deterioration and Conservation of Stone, New York City, 2012.
- Symposium on the Restoration of Cast and Wrought Iron, New York City, 2011.
- Building Codes Conference Series, Washington, D.C.; San Francisco, 2003–2004.
- Preserve and Play: Preserving Historic Entertainment and Recreation Resources, Chicago, 2005.
- Preserving the Recent Past Conference Series, Chicago, 1995; Philadelphia, 2000.
- Historic Interiors Conference Series, Philadelphia, 1988; Washington, D.C., 1993.
- Roofing Conference and Exposition, Philadelphia, 1999.
- Historic Tax Incentives Conference Series, 1997 through 2006.
- Historic Windows Conference Series, Boston, 1986; Washington, D.C., 1996.

Since the inception of the *Partners in Training* program in 2014, grants have supported widely varied initiatives. In the current round of funding, HPEF again invites educational institutions and nonprofit organizations based in the United States to submit training and education proposals set in the U.S. that address specialized topics associated with technical aspects of preservation projects. Applicants should review the HPEF website ([www.hpef.us](http://www.hpef.us)) for information on previous HPEF activities, including those undertaken with non-traditional and cross-disciplinary partners, and those which provided in-depth training on narrowly defined materials, building types, or preservation issues. HPEF encourages and supports training projects that demonstrate efforts to address issues of social justice and inclusion.

HPEF’s goals for the *Partners in Training* initiative are as follows:

- Support technical preservation training and education efforts for the public sector and for educational institutions and non-profit organizations.

- Partner with educational institutions and non-profit organizations to deliver technical preservation training.
- Provide high-quality and focused symposia and conferences on topics timely to the technical preservation community.
- Utilize HPEF's experience and organizational stability to support new and unique training opportunities

Applicants are encouraged to team with other groups, including public, private, and non-profit organizations, if this supports the primary goals of the proposal. Applicants considering preservation-related projects unlike those HPEF has supported in the past are encouraged to contact HPEF to discuss possibilities for collaboration.

### **The Partnership**

Following a model that has proven successful, HPEF's contribution may include administrative as well as initial financial support. Administrative support can include participation in event planning, registration functions, and, as appropriate, assistance in online or print publication of materials prepared for the project. Initial financial support includes seed money to fund preparatory tasks. Successful applicants will assume all other responsibilities including marketing; coordination of on-site aspects associated with the venue; project budget; and staffing, including at event, to meet on-site needs.

### **Grant Stipulations**

HPEF will invest \$5,000 to \$20,000 in selected initiatives, representing a maximum of 50 percent of the total project cost. (Since 2014, the average PIT grant has been approximately \$7,000). Typically, 50 percent of the award is provided after receipt of a signed agreement between the grantee and HPEF. The remainder is released after the grantee submits a final report approved by HPEF.

### **Qualifications**

1. The proposed project must represent an important or emerging technical preservation topic related to historic buildings or sites and not fully addressed by others.
2. The proposed project must be distinct from the applicant's ongoing activities (e.g., annual meetings of organization).
3. The proposed project must be undertaken in the United States and the applicant organization must be based in the United States.
4. The proposed project must be implemented in 2021 or 2022.
5. The applicant organization must demonstrate previous successful experience planning and implementing events of similar structure and scale.
6. The person who will assume the primary role in design and implementation of the initiative must be identified and qualified (Initiative Chair).
7. The commitment of the primary institution, organization, and any key partners must be demonstrated.
8. The proposed budget must be reasonable and realistic.
9. Proposals requesting funds to underwrite direct construction costs and wages are discouraged.
10. Preference will be given to projects that are matched with other funds and that demonstrate a broad or ongoing impact.

While HPEF will consider the range of training proposals that it has in the past, from adobe patching to window repair, it is especially interested in receiving proposals that involve remote learning and that address urgent challenges such as conserving modern materials and expanding representation of historically marginalized communities in preservation practice.

### **Schedule**

Proposals are to be submitted in a single PDF file by **May 1, 2021**. Decisions will be announced in mid-June 2021.

### **Submittals**

To submit a proposal for a Partners in Training project, complete the form on the HPEF website at: <https://www.hpef.us/pit-application/> Additional materials requested in the application are to be submitted electronically to [info@hpef.us](mailto:info@hpef.us).

For more information, please see the HPEF website: <http://www.hpef.us/>, or contact: [info@hpef.us](mailto:info@hpef.us).