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On March 13–16, 2019, in Los Angeles, California, the *Preserving the Recent Past 3* conference will offer a national forum to share the latest strategies for identifying, protecting, and conserving significant structures and sites from the post-World War II era.

In concurrent presentation sessions, plenary talks, a pre-conference symposium, and series of tours, *Preserving the Recent Past 3* will build upon the groundbreaking 1995 *Preserving the Recent Past* and the 2000 *Preserving the Recent Past 2* conferences. Since then, a variety of resources have reached fifty years of age; innovation continues in the treatment of postwar materials and assemblies; and new survey techniques for suburban and urban landscapes have emerged. Buildings, sites, and landscapes from this period reflect the dynamism, creativity, and tensions of the society that created them. They tell stories—of mass suburbanization and urban disinvestment and reinvestment, of multiple and successive modern styles, innovative products, and new movements of social consciousness and activism.

Prospective speakers are encouraged to submit abstracts of no more than 250 words for presentations or sessions on the following topics or others relating to recent past preservation. Typical conference presentation length will be 25 minutes. To propose a presentation, please submit an abstract no later than September 15, 2018 to www.prp3.org/proposals. More than one abstract may be submitted. For more detailed information, including a more complete list of possible topics, visit prp3.org/proposals.

Potential Presentation & Session Topics

- rehabilitation and reuse strategies for recent past buildings and sites
- conservation issues, sustainability, and solutions for post-World War II resources
- techniques for surveying recent past neighborhoods and commercial districts
- advocacy challenges and opportunities for the recent past
- historic trends and themes related to recent past buildings, sites, and landscapes
- significant postwar era sites of underserved communities
- new digital approaches to documenting and interpreting recent past sites
- Postmodernism, Brutalism, postwar period revivals, and questions of style
- And more!



Conference Features

- Multiple paper sessions over two days covering historic rehabilitation, advocacy strategies, and technical conservation issues and solutions for recent past resources
- Special seminars and workshops on targeted topics
- Closing plenary session at the Getty Conservation Institute
- Tours to recent past sites throughout the Los Angeles area
- AIA Continuing Education System Learning Units for all paper sessions, workshops, and tours
- Complimentary space for affinity organization meetings
- Onsite book sales

Conference Location

Preserving the Recent Past 3 will be held at the School of Architecture at the University of Southern California. Los Angeles is an ideal setting for the third Recent Past conference. California was at the forefront of post-World War II building activity and experimentation, from the Case Study House program to the innovations of the aviation and aerospace industries. More recently, the region has been a leader in assessing, conserving, and advocating for the protection of its postwar legacy. Discounted room rates will be available for conference registrants at area hotels.

Potential Audience

- Building owners and managers
- Nonprofit organization members and administrators
- Architects and engineers
- Conservators
- Historians
- Landscape architects
- Educators and students
- City and regional planners
- Government officials
- Developers
- Facility managers
- Historic site and museum managers
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- Twentieth Century Society (UK)
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Presentation proposals are due no later than September 15, 2018.

Contact info@prp3.org with any questions.