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Now Accepting Proposals for the 2016 AASLH and Michigan Museums Association Annual Meeting

Theme: *The Spirit of Rebirth* *Detroit, Michigan* *September 14-17, 2016*

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Detroit's story reflects our own. Collectively and individually, we are constantly evolving, embracing new opportunities, and reacting to forces beyond our control. Navigating these contemporary challenges, while facing an unpredictable future, requires periodically re-thinking our direction. In doing so, we rely on the past for context, examples, and inspiration. The role of a public historian is especially critical during times of transition. [Read more about the 2016 theme.](#)

The Program Committee seeks proposals that reflect our theme, *The Spirit of Rebirth*. Specifically:

- Explore challenges faced by history professionals, including but not limited to: shifts in national and local demographics, economic downturn, financial pressures, and distracted audiences.
- Illustrate attempts—both successful and less than successful—to react to those contextual changes.
- Demonstrate the value of understanding the past in choosing a course for the future.
- Consider the use and value of public history in modern national discourse.
- Present innovative models, approaches, and partnerships and explain core lessons and principles that session attendees can apply to their own challenges in the field.
- Honestly and critically assess outdated models, suggest new approaches to common problems, or affirm the effectiveness of traditional tactics.

More details on the theme, session types, and the process for submitting a proposal can be found [on the website](#).

Need a little inspiration? [Click here](#) for subjects suggested by attendees at the 2015 meeting in Louisville.

Proposals are submitted [online](#) and are due December 7. Contact Bethany Hawkins with any questions at hawkins@aslh.org or 615-320-3203.

Cultural Resources Administered by National Park Service in Arizona

**Casa Grande Ruins National Monument 1100 Ruins Dr. [Coolidge](#), AZ 85228
Tel: 520-723-3172 Fax: 520-723-7209 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/cagr/>**

Archeological artifacts associated with pre-Columbian Hohokam Indian sites within the park (ca. 1200-1400). The 4-story structure, which is one of the best examples of Hohokam architecture, was abandoned around 1450. The site was visited and named by Father Eusebio Francisco Kino in 1694. "Pre-Columbian Pueblo and Hohokam artifacts, and ethnological material of the Tohono O'odham Indians."

Museum interprets the ruins and area prehistory. Self-guided tours. Includes a library.

Archaeological artifacts: 10,310 items	Archival materials: 5,000 items (3 linear feet)
Biological specimens: 755 items	Ethnographic artifacts: 408 items
Geological specimens: 2 items	Historical artifacts: 15 items
Paleontological specimens: 1 item	

Chiricahua National Monument Park

Superintendent Dos Cabezas Route, Box 6500 [Willcox](#), AZ 85643

Tel: 520-824-3560 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/chir/>

Herbarium; entomological, geological, and herpetological specimen collections; historic furnishings and structures (c.1880s-1970s). Site contains historic Faraway Ranch homestead, Heart of Rocks Trail and Echo Canyon.

Archaeological artifacts: 3,326 items
Archival materials: 75,126 items (46.9 linear feet)
Biological specimens: 3,549 items
Ethnographic artifacts: 69 items
Geological specimens: 37 items
Historical artifacts: 33,862 items

Coronado National Memorial 4101 East Montezuma Canyon [Hereford](#), AZ 85615

Tel: 520-366-5515 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/coro/>

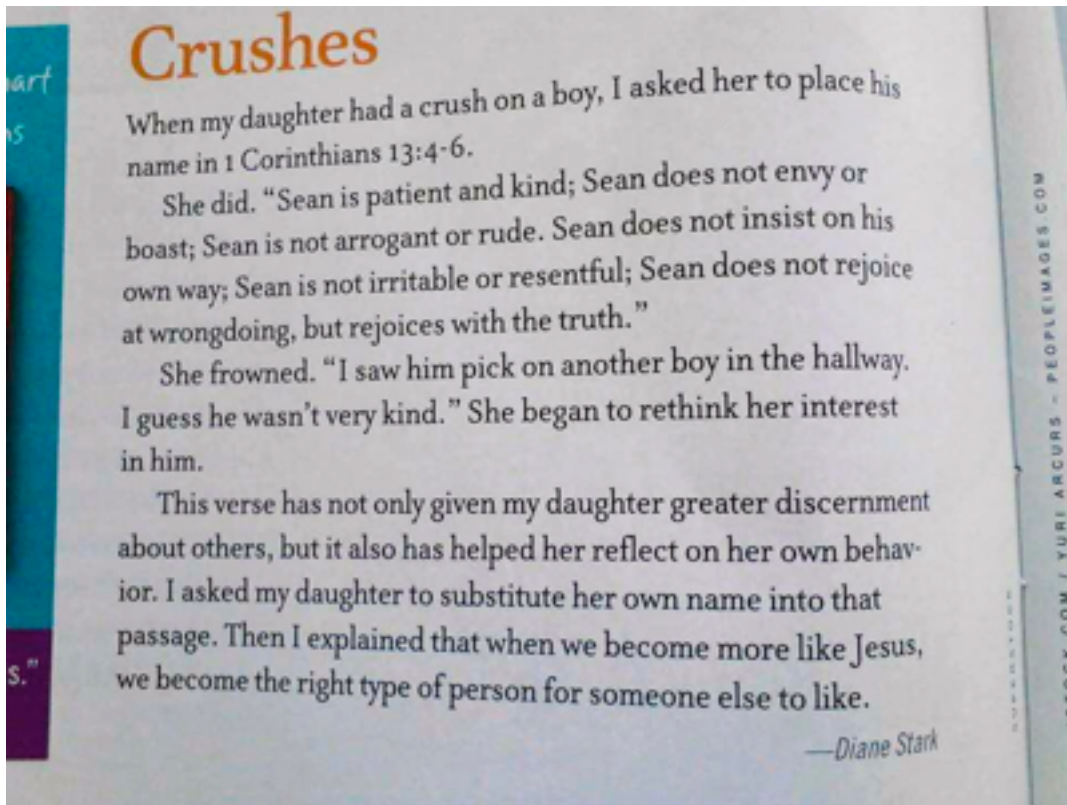
The memorial commemorating the first major exploration of the American Southwest by Europeans. Museum with bilingual exhibits, visitor center, hiking trails, tour of Coronado Cave.

Collections include geological specimens representative of each formation found within the park; herbarium, entomological collection; archeological objects and associated field records; manuscript collection related to John Otto (founding father of the park); historic objects and photographic materials related to the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Archaeological artifacts: 2,423 items
Archival materials: 7,000 items (4 linear feet)
Biological specimens: 4,388 items
Ethnographic artifacts: 9 items
Geological specimens: 37 items

Historical artifacts: 405 items

Paleontological specimens: 335 items



**Fort Bowie
National
Historic Site
Arizona
Highway
186**

**Willcox, AZ
85643**

Tel:
520-847-2500

Fax:
520-847-2221

Website: [http://
www.nps.gov/
fobo/](http://www.nps.gov/fobo/)

The historic site of the conflict between the Chiricahua Apaches and the United State military, culminating in the surrender of Geronimo in 1886. Collections include archeological objects from within the park's boundaries and associated field records, as well as historic objects and photographs related to local history. The fort is maintained as a historic ruin. Includes ruins of a Butterfield Stage stop.



Archaeological artifacts: 18,602 items Historical artifacts: 86 items

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area Page, AZ 86040

Tel: 928-608-6404 E: GLCA_CHVC@nps.gov Website: <http://www.nps.gov/glca/>

Carl Hayden Visitor Center: Located at Glen Canyon Dam in Page, Arizona, has displays of dinosaur tracks, Glen Canyon during the Ice Age, a three-dimensional map of Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, photos and history of the construction of Glen Canyon Dam, and an orientation film.

Navajo Bridge Interpretive Center: Located on Highway 89A near Lees Ferry, Arizona; features a pedestrian walkway across the old Navajo Bridge which spans the Colorado River in Marble Canyon and an interactive video.

Bullfrog Visitor Center: Located at the Bullfrog Marina in Utah; exhibits relating to geology and the natural & human history of Glen Canyon, Ancestral Puebloan ("Anasazi") and pioneer artifacts, and a life-size model of a slot canyon.

Collections include archeological objects systematically recovered from the park's boundaries and associated field records; historic objects (personal objects, furnishings, farm equipment and tools) and archival materials relating to pioneer settlements in the Lees Ferry and Lonely Dell Historical Districts; historic objects relating to river exploration from the time of John Wesley Powell's expedition until the present; historic objects relating to mining and energy development and to the park's history; natural history specimens and associated field records. (Note: collection includes objects from Rainbow Bridge National Monument.)

Archaeological artifacts: 45,404 items
Archival materials: 43,000 items (27 linear feet)
Biological specimens: 9,758 items
Ethnographic artifacts: 52 items
Geological specimens: 106 items
Historical artifacts: 6,435 items
Paleontological specimens: 5,338 items

Grand Canyon National Park Museum Museum Curator Grand Canyon, AZ 86023

Tel: 928-638-7769 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/grca/>

Herbarium and associated field records; other natural history collections including geological, paleontological, insect, and other animal specimens; archeological objects systematically recovered from sites (Desert Culture to the Anasazi) within the park's boundaries and associated field records; history collection including objects and archival materials relating to park's history, early explorers and miners, and the modern tourism industry (e.g., oral histories, photographs, books, archives, postcards). Original Yavapai Observation Station has been restored.

Archaeological artifacts: 205,844 items Archives: 45,000 items (28 linear feet)
Biological specimens: 16,875 items Ethnographic artifacts: 215 items

Geological specimens: 5,970 items
Paleontological specimens: 17,287 items

Historical artifacts: 17,650 items

Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site Museum Curator [Ganado](#), AZ 86505

Tel: 928-755-3475 Fax: 928-755-3405 Email: HUTR_Ranger_Activities@nps.gov

Website: <http://www.nps.gov/hutr/>

Native American arts and crafts; art; furnishings for home and trading post on exhibit in the Hubbell Home (ca. 1897 - 1915), the Hubbell Guest House (ca. 1934) and the Trading Post (ca. 1893 - 1904); ethnology; graphics; agriculture; archives; sculpture; textiles and archaeological specimens recovered from park sites.

Trading post is the oldest one still operating. Special programs on Navajo rug weaving and silversmithing.

Includes a library.

Archaeological artifacts: 48,497 items
Biological specimens: 217 items
Geological specimens: 148 items
Paleontological specimens: 25 items

Archival materials: 234,021 (140 linear feet)
Ethnographic artifacts: 2,177 items
Historical artifacts: 29,203 items

Montezuma Castle National Monument I-17, exit 289 [Camp Verde](#), AZ 86322

Tel: 928-567-3322 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/moca/>

A historical site with a cliff dwelling built by the Sinagua Indians over 600 years ago. In addition to preserving the structure, the national monument has a visitor center with interpretive exhibits. Collections include archeological artifacts, ethnological objects, and natural history specimens associated with the park.

Archaeological artifacts: 5,665 items
Biological specimens: 563 items
Historical artifacts: 24 items

Archival materials: 5,608 items (3.5 linear fee)
Ethnographic artifacts: 272 items
Paleontological specimens: 1 item

Navajo National Monument [Tonalea](#), AZ 86044-9704

Tel: 928-672-2367 Fax: 928-672-2345 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/nava/>

Archeological objects systematically recovered from within the park's boundaries (primarily Anasazi sites) and associated field records; ethnological objects associated with the Navajo culture; historic objects and documents related to the park's history; herbarium housing plant specimens collected from within the park and associated field records.

The Visitor Center interprets the Kayenta Anasazi of the Tsegi Canyon region. Displays include artifacts found in the monument's ruins of Betatakin and Keet Seel. Includes a library.

Archaeological artifacts: 106,539 items
Biological specimens: 741 items
Historical artifacts: 6,232 items

Archival materials: 25,000 items (16 linear feet)
Ethnographic artifacts: 782 items

Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument **Ajo, AZ 85321**

Tel: 520-387-6849 **E:**orpi_information@nps.gov **Web:** <http://www.nps.gov/orpi/>

Archeological objects (archaic and historic cultures) systematically recovered from sites within the park's boundaries and associated field records; historic objects related to mining, historic transportation (pre-1949 Highway 85) and 19th and 20th century ranching activities in the area; herbarium; mammal, bird, reptile and amphibian, fish, and insect specimens and associated field records. Auto loop roads and hiking trails.

Archaeological artifacts: 7,847 items
Biological specimens: 11,195
Geological specimens: 368 items
Paleontological specimens: 12 items

Archival materials: 9,000 items (5 linear feet)
Ethnographic artifacts: 20 items
Historical artifacts: 446

Pipe Springs National Monument

Freedonia, AZ 86022

Tel: 928-643-7105 **Website:** <http://www.nps.gov/pisp/>

The Visitor Center offers exhibits on pioneer lifestyle, the development and use of Pipe Spring by American Indian groups and Mormon settlers, and a short video providing an overview of the history of the area.

Collections include archeological objects systematically recovered from within the park's boundaries and associated field records; ethnological objects (baskets, water jugs, cradleboards, pottery); historic objects (furnishings, clothing, blacksmith tools and equipment, utilitarian items) related to the Mormon Settlement (c. 1870- 1895) on exhibit in the park's historic structures.

Saguaro National Park 3693 South Old Spanish Trail **Tucson, AZ 85730-5601**

Tel: 520-733-5100 **Fax: 520-733-5183** **Website:** <http://www.nps.gov/sagu/>

Archeological objects systematically recovered from within the park's boundaries and associated field records; geological specimens; herbarium and other biological specimens (insect, reptile, bird, and mammal) and associated field records.

Archaeological artifacts: 7,106 items
Archival materials: 77,000 items (48 linear feet)
Biological specimens: 3,616 items
Ethnographic artifacts: 20 items
Geological specimens: 170 items
Historical artifacts: 29 items

Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument

Sunset Crater-Wupatki Loop Rd. [Flagstaff](#), AZ 86004

Tel: 928-526-0502 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/sucr/>

Site of an extinct volcano that erupted in 1065 A.D. Collections include geologic specimens collected within the park (the primary theme being the story of volcanic action which took place in the San Francisco Peaks Volcanic Field); archeological objects (primarily hand tools used by prehistoric people of the period 1064-1250 A.D.) and associated field records.

Archaeological artifacts: 16 items

Archival materials: 500 items (.3 linear feet)

Historical artifacts: 220 items

Tonto National Monument Highway 88 [Roosevelt](#), AZ 85545

Tel: 928-467-2241 Fax: 928-467-2225 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/tont/>

A National Monument preserving and interpreting cliff dwellings built by the Salado culture during the 13th, 14th, and 15th centuries. Collections include clothing, tools, weapons and pottery related to the prehistoric Salado Indians, and archeological field records.

Archives: 6,500 items (4 linear feet)

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Tuzigoot National Monument 25 W Tuzigoot Rd [Clarkdale](#), AZ 86324

Tel: 928-634-5564 Fax: 928-567-3597 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/tuzi/>

A historic site with a visitor center and museum interpreting the remains of a Sinaguan pueblo, occupied from 1125 to 1400, and the Sinaguan culture in Arizona. Collections include archeological artifacts recovered from Tuzigoot and nearby ruins and associated field records.

Archives: 3,294 items (2 linear feet)

Artifacts: 7,614 items

Walnut Canyon National Monument 3 Walnut Canyon Road [Flagstaff](#), AZ 86004

Tel: 928-526-3367 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/waca/>

A national monument with prehistoric cliff dwellings. Archeological objects systematically recovered from within the park's boundaries and associated field records; and natural history specimens.

Archaeological artifacts: 50,365 items

Archival materials: 11,000 items (7 linear feet)

Biological specimens: 150 items

Ethnographic artifacts: 37 items
Historical artifacts: 3 items

Western Archeological and Conservation Center

255 N. Commerce Park Loop **[Tucson](#), AZ 85745** **Tel: 520-791-6400** **[Map](#)**

Repository for archeological objects systematically recovered from within the boundaries of parks and monuments in the multi-regional arid Southwestern United States (Western Region, Southwest Region, and southern area of the Rocky Mountain Region of the National Park Service) and associated field records; repository for historic objects, archival materials including photographs from parks and monuments in the arid southwestern United States; archeological, ethnological, and historical object collection primarily from the Southwest; modern comparative faunal collection; and a collection of comparative natural history specimens.

Archeological artifacts: 24,144 items	Archives: 432,611 items (270 linear feet)
Artifacts and natural specimens	Biological specimens: 2,756 items
Ethnographic artifacts: 699 items	Geological specimens: 114 items
Historical artifacts: 565 items	Paleontological specimens: 1 item

Wupatki National Monument **[Flagstaff](#), AZ 86004**

Tel: 928-679-2365 **Fax: 928-556-7071** **Website: <http://www.nps.gov/wupa/>**

An archaeological site with pre-historic Native American cliff dwellings and artifacts from the sites pertaining to the Sinagua/Anasazi cultural pattern and associated field records.

In addition to the Wupatki ruins, other cliff dwellings include Lomaki, Wukoki, Citadel, and Nalakihi ruins.

Archaeological artifacts: 167,095 items	
Archival materials: 15,000 items (9 linear feet)	Biological specimens: 157 items
Ethnographic artifacts: 4 items	Historical artifacts: 217 items
Paleontological specimens: 30 items	

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New research from Emory University School of Medicine, in Atlanta, has shown that it is possible for some information to be inherited biologically through chemical...

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[Mark Neil Trahan](#)

Crazy week ahead. I'm heading back to Alaska for Arctic Council meeting. To prepare for the trip, I put together a backgrounder on the issues.

Also Posting new column shortly for **[Trahan Reports](#)** on Fairbanks Four.

Background for next week's Arctic Council meeting in Anchorage

Press conference at 9 am at National Park Service. Summary of the Anchorage meeting, press information. More about the Arctic Council and the U.S. Chair...trahantreports.com

<http://trahantreports.com/2015/10/17/background-for-next-weeks-arctic-council-meeting-in-anchorage/>

\$186 Million Settlement to Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations

This Week at Interior October 9, 2015 Published on Oct 9, 2015

This week: Secretary Jewell, National Park Service Director Jonathan Jarvis and former First Lady Laura Bush dedicate the Waco Mammoth National Monument in Texas; **it's the end of a long litigation battle between the United States government and the Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations**; it's an historic settlement of civil claims against BP in the wake of the 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico; and a USGS seismologist takes home an award for citizen service.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7zlATRIjNTs>

Greater Sage-grouse Conservation Announcement

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OHUsVfmyXhg>

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Once seen in great numbers across the West, greater sage-grouse have declined in number over the past century because of the loss of sagebrush habitats essential for their survival and had been candidate species for listing under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

Because of an unprecedented effort by dozens of partners across 11 western states, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has determined that the greater sage-grouse does not require protection under the Endangered Species Act.

PBS Nature - The Sagebrush Sea (2015) [The Sagebrush](#) May 26, 2015

One of the most overlooked ecosystems in the America West is a massive sea of sagebrush that stretches across 11 states. This spartan landscape supports more than 170 species of birds and mammals. Among those that have adapted to survive here are the Greater Sage-Grouse. Today, they must contend with wells and pipelines tapping the resources buried deep below. The sagebrush and the grouse carry on, but they're losing ground.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pvB39Xaqo6o>

Chickasaw Nation's Film Selected for Screening at San Francisco Film Festival by [Native News Online Staff](#) / [Currents](#), [Entertainment](#) / 18 Oct 2015

SAN FRANCISCO – The world's oldest venue dedicated solely to showcasing Native American films has selected the Chickasaw Nation's "[First Encounter](#)" for screening in November.

The American Indian Film Institute (AIFI) chose the documentary for its 40th annual film festival Nov. 6-14, 2015.

[“First Encounter”](#) was judged Best Short Documentary at the Trail Dance Film Festival in January; aired in March by the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority (OETA), and was featured in June at Oklahoma City’s deadCENTER Film Festival.

The Chickasaw Nation was congratulated by Michael Smith, founder and director of AIFI, and by festival coordinator Mytia Zavala in a formal letter sent to the tribe recently.

[“First Encounter”](#) will screen at the AMC Metreon 16 Theatre, located at 135 4th Street in San Francisco. A date and time for the showing has not been determined.

The approximately 30-minute documentary was produced and filmed entirely by the Chickasaw Nation. It is the first film released as a Chickasaw Heritage Series project. Other films are planned for the future to complement [“First Encounter.”](#) It chronicles the Chickasaw Nation’s initial contact with Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto in the winter of 1540 and the battle that crippled the conquistador’s mission in spring 1541.

A full-length motion picture produced and filmed by the tribe is in post-production. It tells of the early life to famed Chickasaw actress and storyteller Mary Thompson [“Te Ata”](#) Fisher. The movie is titled [“Te Ata”](#) and stars Q’Orianka Kilcher in the title role; Academy Award nominee Graham Greene and television and silver screen heartthrob Gil Birmingham. Release dates have not been announced.

[Te Ata](#) brought her considerable acting talents to Broadway and stages across America beginning in the 1920s. She entertained for President Franklin Roosevelt at a state dinner at his private residence at Hyde Park, New York. She also entertained British royalty, toured Europe, North and South America, and several Latin countries.

She was inducted into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame in 1957; was named Oklahoma’s first state “Treasure” in 1987 and was inducted in 1990 to the Chickasaw Hall of Fame.

She died in Oklahoma City just days shy of her 100th birthday in 1995.



“First Encounters” Director Philip Sullivan, far right, dispenses arrows to actors portraying Chickasaw warriors while filming the award-winning documentary that will be shown in November by the American Indian Film Institute.