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The Newsletter of the North Carolina
Historic Preservation Office

Events, Awards, and Grants

For statewide event lists, visit the [HPO Facebook event list](#), [Preservation North Carolina events list](#), or a [June - August 2013 calendar](#) and [workshop and conference list](#) courtesy of the [Federation of N.C. Historical Societies](#).

July 13-14 and 20-21 Window Repair Workshop, 8 AM-5 PM, Edgecombe Community College, 2009 W. Wilson St., Tarboro campus. Learn how to repair original wooden windows and make a sash using historic hand planes. The instructor for the workshop is Amy McCauley. This workshop is part of the Historic Preservation Trades Courses at Edgecombe Community College. For all hands-on courses using tools, students will need to sign a liability waiver with an option of purchasing insurance through the college for \$6 per semester (Fees are subject to legislative changes). The cost is \$120 (Seniors 65 and over can take one free class per semester). Limited enrollment. For more information or to register for any of these courses, please contact Monika Fleming, by phone at (252) 823-5166, ext. 241, or by email at flemingm@edgecombe.edu.

July 27-28 and August 3-4 Plaster Installation workshop, 8 AM -5 PM, Edgecombe Community College, 2009 W. Wilson St., Tarboro campus. Learn how to mix and apply lime plaster to walls from start to finish coat. The instructor for the workshop is Ben Curran. This workshop is part of the Historic Preservation Trades Courses at Edgecombe Community College. For all hands-on courses using tools, students will need to sign a liability waiver with an option of purchasing insurance through the college for \$6 per semester (Fees are

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Staff in the Field

HPO staff attended [many meetings and made dozens of site visits throughout](#) June.

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August 14 Deadline for America's Historical and Cultural Organizations: Planning Grants and Implementation Grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Both grants provide support for museums, libraries, historic places, and other organizations that produce public programs in the humanities. The grants support the following formats for programming:

- exhibitions at museums, libraries, and other venues;
- interpretations of historic places, sites, or regions;
- book/film discussion programs; living history presentations; other face-to-face programs at libraries, community centers, and other public venues; and
- interpretive websites and other digital formats.

[Planning grants](#) support the early stages of project development, including consultation with scholars, refinement of humanities themes, preliminary design, testing, and audience evaluation.

[Implementation grants](#) support final scholarly research and consultation, design development, production, and installation of a project for presentation to the public.

August 15-17 "Battlefields & Beyond: Civil War Sites in the 21st Century," Danville, Kentucky. This is a Civil War sites preservation conference for administrators, staff, docents and board members of Civil War battlefields, historic sites and museums to learn best practices for preservation and interpretation. Learn more and register at www.civilwarconference.org or click [here](#) for the full press release. For questions regarding Battlefields & Beyond, contact Eric Whisman by phone

at (502) 871-4570 or by email
at eric@preservationkentucky.org.

September 18-21 "Turning Points: Ordinary People Doing Extraordinary Things," the American Association for State and Local History Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL. Information will be posted [here](#).

September 19-20 Historic Tax Credit Conference, Detroit, MI. For more information about the event see [this page](#).

September 20-22 Window Restoration & Weatherization Boot Camp, Hannibal, MO. During this hands-on learning experience, students will learn cost-effective restoration and weatherization of original, double-hung, wood windows as part of a team restoring original 163-year old windows in a ca. 1850 brick, Greek Revival slave house. You will learn sash removal, sash paint and glass removal, wood repair, glazing putty application, complete weather stripping, and sash installation. The class is limited to 10 students, who will work side-by-side with instructor Bob Yapp, nationally recognized as an expert in window restoration. For more information or to pre-register, contact Bob Yapp at (217) 474-6052 or via e-mail yapperman@msn.com; or go to [this page](#).

October 2-4 Preservation North Carolina's 2013 Annual Conference will be in Edenton. Save the date!

October 11-15 Association for Preservation Technology Conference "Preserving the Metropolis," New York, NY. Details about the conference and registration information can be found [here](#).

October 29-November 2 National Preservation Conference "Preservation at the Crossroads," Indianapolis, IN. Information about the conference events and registration will be posted online [here](#). For more information contact the National Preservation Conference at conference@savingplaces.org or (202) 588-6100.

The Campbell Center for Historic Preservation Studies in Mount Carroll, IL, offers a range of historic preservation and conservation courses. Check out their 2013 calendar [here](#).

Rehabilitation and Tax Credit Projects

The ca. 1913 house located at 102 South Driver Street in the East Durham Historic District (Durham County) was rehabilitated for continued single-family residential use. This project was spurred by the use of the federal and state income-producing historic tax credits with a private rehabilitation investment of \$52,000.

102 South Driver Street before and after rehabilitation

The ca. 1895/1930 Watkins Building located in the Henderson Central Business Historic District (Vance County) was rehabilitated for continued commercial use on the first floor and three apartments were created on the second floor. This project was spurred by the use of the federal and state income-producing historic tax credits with a private rehabilitation investment of \$480,000.

The Watkins Building rehabilitation

The ca. 1890/1920 Phils-Greene Building located in the Salisbury Historic District (Rowan County) was rehabilitated as a

bookstore with office use on the second floor and included the removal of the 1960s metal panels covering the 1920s façade. This project was spurred by the use of the federal and state income-producing historic tax credits with a private rehabilitation investment of \$318,000.

The Phils-Greene Building before and after rehabilitation

The ca. 1931 warehouse located at 307 North Lee Street in the Salisbury Railroad Corridor Historic District (Rowan County) was rehabilitated for use as a small manufacturing facility and warehouse. This project was spurred by the use of the federal and state income-producing historic tax credits with a private rehabilitation investment of \$357,000.

307 North Lee Street before and after rehabilitation

The ca. 1935 warehouse located at 321-323 North Lee Street in the Salisbury Railroad Corridor Historic District (Rowan County) was rehabilitated for use as offices. This project was spurred by the use of the federal and state income-producing historic tax credits with a private rehabilitation investment of \$146,000.

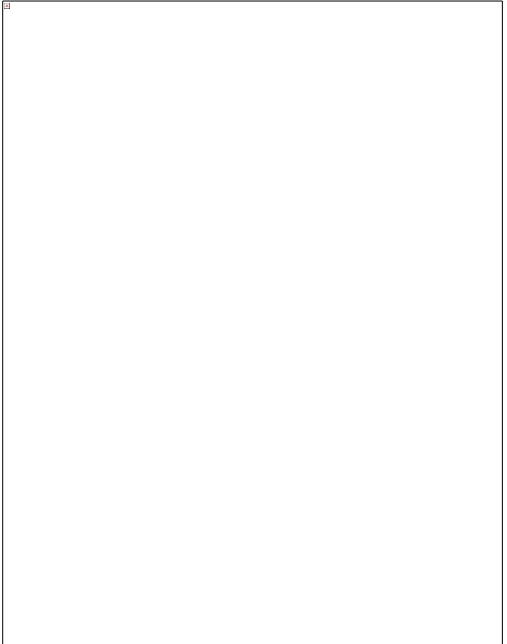
*321-323 North Lee Street before and after
rehabilitation*

The ca. 1900 commercial building located at 115 West Fisher Street in the Salisbury Historic District (Rowan County) was rehabilitated as a restaurant. This project was spurred by the use of the federal and state income-producing historic tax credits with a private rehabilitation investment of \$498,000.

*115 West Fisher Street (right side of the building)
before and after rehabilitation*

**New Statewide Historic
Preservation Plan Approved by
the National Park Service**

By Ramona Bartos, HPO Administrator



Every five to ten years (in compliance with Section 101(b)(3)(c) of the National Historic Preservation Act), your North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office must solicit public input and prepare a Comprehensive Statewide Preservation Plan. We are pleased to announce that our federal partners at the National Park Service approved our new 2013-2022 plan entitled *Legacy - A Gift from the Past for a Better Tomorrow* just this past month. This plan cycle begins October 1, 2013, and runs through September 30, 2022.

Please allow us to extend a sincere thank you to all who participated in our 2011 and 2012 public surveys intended to gauge the needs of the state and the preservation community in order to develop an updated vision and goals for historic preservation throughout North Carolina. This plan is actually as much *your* plan as *our* plan, as we seek to achieve its vision through the HPO's programs and the encouragement of others to act.

We have posted the entire *Legacy* plan [here](#) and encourage you to read it, and to think about ways that you and your neighbors, organization, professional colleagues, and community can implement some of the goals and objectives identified with public input. In the meantime, you may find the following responses from our public and

professional surveys particularly interesting:

- **The greatest single threat identified to historic preservation in North Carolina is *apathy*.** If people do not know about the significance of a place, why should they care, and why should they care what happens to it?
- **An important goal is to build awareness and "tie it all together somehow."** The North Carolina preservation network is strong but greater collaboration between more and diverse new organizations and constituencies beyond the "preservation choir" will only further foster that network.
- **You want more education and technical assistance.** Overwhelmingly, you indicated that you would like us to provide more training and technical assistance. We will be exploring new technologies to do just that and looking for additional partners to help us co-sponsor events.

In the next six months we will be promoting the plan and encouraging our preservation partners to implement it in their local communities and on a statewide scale. We will also be developing a means of submitting information about steps you are taking locally to help fulfill *Legacy's* vision, which will be available on the HPO website. We want to celebrate accomplishments and shine a spotlight on historic preservation throughout the Old North State. We look forward to working with you and for you and our communities!

New Tool for Keyword and Phrase Searches Across All National Register Nominations

Since ca. 2006, the State Historic Preservation Office (HPO) has been creating PDFs of new nominations

submitted in digital format as properties and districts are listed, and in 2012 we scans of earlier nominations that existed only on paper were completed. All are accessible online [here](#). The PDFs are created with optical character recognition so the text is searchable when opened with a PDF reader. Some were scanned from old, poor quality photocopies (the originals are with NPS) and are not fully searchable, but most are at least largely searchable.

Over time, Google Search has captured our PDFs and, with the limitation noted above, it is now possible to search on keywords and phrases across virtually all nominations with a web browser. To facilitate such searches, the HPO has created a search page [here](#). The user can limit searches to National Register nominations or include all documents on the HPO website in a search. There is also a separate search for architectural survey reports. The page includes a few tips for focusing searches.

While the tool is of particular value to nomination preparers who are looking for buildings associated with a particular architect or other individual, or places having a common theme or context that could be isolated by a distinguishing keyword, anyone can use the tool for research purposes. Searching on keywords like "Confederate," "Regiment," and "enlisted," staff recently identified nearly 100 places that have some direct Civil War association such as military service by family members. A search through the individual nominations of all places standing at the time of the Civil War would have been prohibitively time consuming. It is also possible to capture selected text from a PDF (with limitations based on the quality of the scan) to drop into a word processing document.

**Penderlea Historic District
Project Nears Completion**

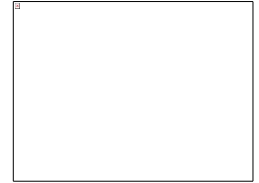
Carolyn Booth, president of the Penderlea Homestead Museum board of directors; Jennifer Martin Mitchell with MdM Historical Consultants; and Claudia Brown with the State Historic Preservation Office following the public information meeting for the proposed Penderlea Historic District

For the last four years, the board of the Penderlea Homestead Museum has been working towards listing of Penderlea in the National Register of Historic Places. Under the leadership of long-time board member and now president Carolyn Booth, the museum hired Sidebottom Preservation of Charleston, SC, to conduct a comprehensive architectural survey of Penderlea. Covering approximately 9,000 acres, Penderlea was developed in the early 1930s as the nation's first experimental farm-city colony established by the federal government during the Great Depression with the purpose of providing struggling farmers with a means of making a living. Sidebottom Preservation identified a historic district of approximately 4,500 acres, and after they completed their work in 2012, the museum hired MdM Historical Consultants of Durham to prepare the National Register nomination. Jennifer Martin Mitchell of MdM wrapped up the nomination in time for it to be presented at the June 2013 meeting of the N. C. National Register Advisory Committee, which praised the nomination and the larger work of the Penderlea Homestead Museum. The State Historic Preservation Office will forward the nomination to the National Park Service in July and anticipates listing by the

Keeper of the National Register sometime in August or early September.

C-SPAN's Local Content Vehicles Come to Raleigh

In partnership with Time Warner Cable, C-SPAN's 2013 Cities Tour takes *Book TV* and *American History*



TV on the road. C-SPAN2 and C-SPAN3 are featuring the literary life and history of selected cities during special weekends on the public affairs network. Their producing team visited Raleigh the week of May 13 in their specially outfitted Local Content Vehicles (LCV's) and visited various literary and historic sites, including the State Capitol and the Joel Lane House, and interviewing local historians, authors and civic leaders. Video of their interviews can be found [here](#).

Historic Hillsborough: Promising Sustainable Prosperity While Holding On To Its Past

A busy night in Hillsborough. Photograph courtesy Chapel Hill/Orange County Visitors Bureau

Hillsborough is in the news again, this time as an example of how to encourage economic growth while protecting the historic character that attracts so many of the visitors that support local businesses. Click [here](#) for the article.

Two Preservation Groups to Restore Lumberton's First City Hall

Former Lumberton City Hall

Preservation North Carolina and the State Historic Preservation Office have agreed to oversee the rehabilitation of Lumberton's first city hall after the City Council's vote in February to demolish the two-story building caused a community uproar. The council reversed its decision in April after being inundated with emails from a petition insisting that the city preserve the nearly century-old structure that once served as town hall, fire station, and library. Click [here](#) for the article.

Greensboro Professionals Form Preservation and Sustainability Advocacy Committee

Cascade Saloon, Greensboro, after it was "heart-bombed"

The Greenhorns, "an accumulation of professionals focusing on the sustainability, adaptability, and usability of aged and historic structures in North Carolina," has recently formed in Greensboro. This ambitious group hopes to engage the young (and, of course, young at heart) preservationists across the state to have a greater impact. They have started out on the right foot. One of its recent projects was the "heart-bombing" of the Cascade Saloon, a threatened building in Greensboro, to show community support for its preservation. Visit [their Facebook page](#) for more details.

Revamp of a Main Street
Building Could Close Roxboro
Street Divide in Durham

At the east end of Main Street in downtown Durham the number of vibrant businesses begins to fizzle out, leaving several handsome historic buildings vacant between the busier downtown core to the west and new development at the Golden Belt complex to the east. The redevelopment of a key building at the intersection of Main and Roxboro streets may be enough to bridge the gap. Click [here](#) for the article.

Francis Grist Mill Restoration by Adventures in Preservation Receives National Recognition

Francis Grist Mill, Haywood County

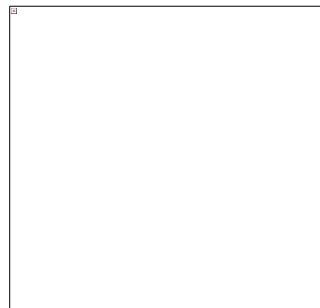
The 1887 timber frame Francis Grist Mill, Waynesville, restored by Adventures in Preservation (AiP), its preservation volunteers and project partners has received federal recognition for its contributions to the history of Francis Cove and the Waynesville, North Carolina area. Click [here](#) for more information.

New Uses for Historic Warehouses

R. J. Reynolds Factory 91

R. J. Reynolds Factory 91, Winston-Salem, is back in the news again, this time as an excellent example of how historic warehouses and factories can be reused, as well as the how the rehabilitation tax credit can be effectively used. Note: The list of states with no historic tax credits in the article is out of date since Alabama very recently approved state historic tax credits. Click [here](#) for the article.

Historic Wilmington Foundation 2013 Annual Awards Honor



Preservationists

The Historic Wilmington Foundation Preservation Awards recognize restoration, rehabilitation, and compatible new development, as well as preservation leadership and individual contributions to the field. This year, the Foundation was pleased to [honor 13 projects](#) and people

for their leadership and contributions to the community.

Preservation Does Pay



The USS North Carolina Battleship

The *USS North Carolina* Battleship has released an economic impact assessment completed by the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill Center for Competitive Economies. The assessment shows that the battleship makes a significant and remarkably consistent contribution to the economy of its community. Click [here](#) to read the press release.

Historic Buildings Provide Opportunities and Challenges for Hotel Developers

Brookstown Inn, Winston-Salem, in an 1837 textile mill. Photograph courtesy of hotelguides.com

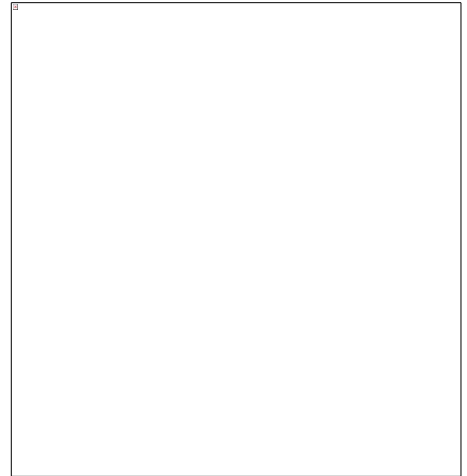
Reuse of historic buildings is becoming increasingly attractive to hoteliers. According to Michael Cahill, CEO and founder of Hospitality Real Estate Counselors, "When you create an adaptive reuse of a building into a hotel, not only is it used by the local population in terms of the functional space, the meeting space and the restaurants, it really is showing your city off to the outside world." Click [here](#) for the article.

National Trust Releases Its Annual List of America's Most Endangered Places

Mountain View Black Officers' Club, Fort Huachuca, AZ. Photograph courtesy of National Trust

Every year the National Trust releases a list of America's most endangered historic places. These are important examples of the nation's architectural, cultural, and natural heritage that are at risk of destruction or irreparable damage. The list draws attention to these places and encourages their preservation. Over the quarter-century of the "11 Most" list, only a handful of listed sites have been

lost. Places on the list this year include an Alaskan cannery, schoolhouses in Montana, and the James River. Click [here](#) to learn more about the properties on this year's list.



NPS Awards Battlefield Grants

NPS Director Jon Jarvis has announced more than \$3.3 million in American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) grants to help preserve more than 200 acres of land at five Civil War battlefields. The grant projects are at the Ball's Bluff (VA), Brandy Station (VA), Chickamauga (GA), First Deep Bottom (VA) and Second Manassas (VA) battlefields.

Consideration for the Civil War battlefield land acquisition grants is given to battlefields listed in the NPS's Civil War Sites Advisory Commission Report on the Nation's Civil War Battlefields (CWSAC Report). Funds were awarded based on the property's location within CWSAC-defined core and/or study areas, the threat to the battlefield land to be acquired, and the availability of required non-Federal dollar-for-dollar matching funds.

50th Anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act Approaches

*Wright Brothers National Memorial, listed in the
National Register in 1966*

The 50th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) is rapidly approaching. Enacted in 1966, NHPA will reach the five-decade mark in 2016, just three years from now. The act established the National Register of Historic Places, a funding mechanism to promote preservation, a process for reviewing the effects of federal actions on historic resources, and eventually a system of state historic preservation offices, among other provisions. It is widely considered one of the most important achievements of the founding generation of the modern preservation movement. Some see NHPA more generally as a watershed moment in American thinking about the role of place in history and space in memory.

In a posting on the Public History Commons "History@Work" blog by Robert Weyeneth, President of the National Council on Public History's Board of Directors and Professor of History/Director of the Public History Program at the University of South Carolina, preservation professionals are encouraged "to inaugurate a set of conversations over the next three years to assess the history, impact, and legacy of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966." Click [here](#) for the post.

100th Anniversary of the Creation of the U.S. Department of Labor



This year marks the 100th anniversary of a milestone event in the history of America and the American workforce. In 1913, President William Howard Taft-on his last day in office-reluctantly signed legislation creating the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) and giving workers a representative in the President's cabinet for the first time. Throughout 2013, the DOL is conducting a variety of activities to mark its 100th anniversary.

The DOL had developed a variety of materials to educate the public about its 100 years of service to America's workers. These include:

- a video available for viewing [here](#),
- an interactive timeline [here](#),
- and a poster series [here](#) and series of historical vignettes [here](#).

All of these products and more are available on DOL's Centennial [webpage](#).

More Summer Vacation Ideas

*Blue Ridge Parkway viaduct. Photograph
courtesy of blueridgeparkwayblog.com*

Are you visiting or traveling through a National Heritage Area (NHAs) this summer? Check-out the [NHA website](#) for more information on NHAs and locations.

NHAs are designated by Congress as places where natural, cultural, and historic resources combine to form a cohesive, nationally important landscape. Through their resources, NHAs tell nationally important stories that celebrate our nation's diverse heritage. NHAs are lived-in landscapes. Consequently, NHA entities collaborate with communities to determine how to make heritage relevant to local interests and needs.

NHAs are a grassroots, community-driven approach to heritage conservation and economic development. Through public-private partnerships, NHA entities support historic preservation, natural resource conservation, recreation, heritage tourism, and educational projects. Leveraging funds and long-term support for projects, NHA partnerships foster pride of place and an enduring stewardship ethic.

***Summer in America's Great Outdoors* Photo Project Announced**

The Department of the Interior has created a new photo project called, *Summer in America's Great Outdoors*. Their goal is to create a large photo collection of all the fun and exciting things people can do on America's public lands this summer. They are asking folks to send in hiking, camping, fishing, biking,

sightseeing, and other outdoor recreation photos by [clicking here](#). Take a look at the photos already submitted on their [Summer in America's Great Outdoors Flickr group](#), where they will be highlighting photos all summer. Please include a short description of the location, so they can properly identify all the great public lands across the country.

More Guidance about Green Roofs

ction of green roofing layers. Illustration by Blank Sp

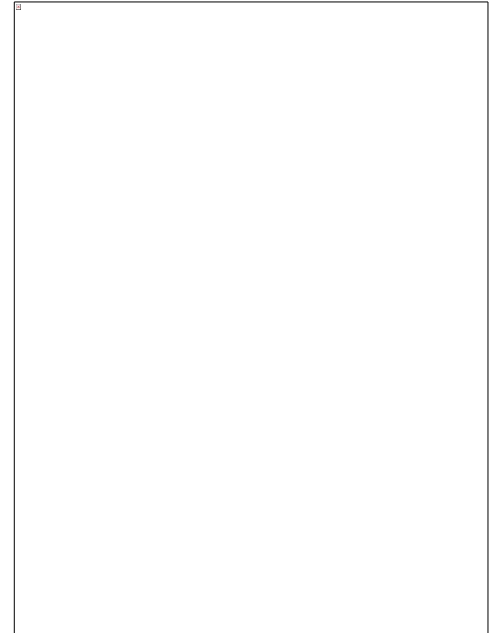
In our [May issue of *Worth Saving*](#) we included a piece about a General Services Administration report on green roofs at their properties. Click [here](#) for a similar report by the NPS's Technical Preservation Services entitled "Adding Green Roofs to Historic Buildings to Enhance their Sustainability and Energy Performance."

Interactive Website on Sustainability and Historic Buildings

The Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Rehabilitation & Illustrated Guidelines on Sustainability for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings* is now available as an interactive web feature at [here](#). It is the latest in the series of web-based training offered by Technical Preservation Services of the National Park Service to provide in-depth training in historic preservation. Additional training programs

are available at [on the National Park Service website](#).

Report on Fiscal Benefits of Smart Growth Released



Smart Growth America has released *Building Better Budgets: A National Examination of the Fiscal Benefits of Smart Growth Development*, a report that examines the financial benefits of "smart" growth. The report surveys seventeen studies that compare different development scenarios, including a brand-new study of Nashville-Davidson County, TN, commissioned specifically for this report, and looks at the costs associated with smart growth development and conventional suburban development, as well as each strategy's revenue potential. Click [here](#) for more information.

North Carolina Serving as a Model for Canadian Business Stimulus

American Tobacco complex, Durham

How could we resist telling you how great others think North Carolina is? While not all about historic preservation, [this article](#) on encouraging local governments to foster a vibrant economy does give a nod to the part that preservation can play in such efforts.

Having Trouble Finding Volunteers in Your Small Town?

Volunteers at 518 E. Jones Street, Raleigh

Small businesses play a role in supporting nonprofit organizations, and nonprofits are important to small towns. Both groups work on the same management, people, financial, and regulatory issues and face the same problems. Nonprofits generate economic impact very much like businesses

do. How do the two groups get together on the same issues? Click [here](#) for some ideas.

A Disappearing American Original: The Roadside Rest Area

Rest stop in Flower Mound, TX. Photograph by Ryann Ford.

After a move during which she was first introduced to 20th-century roadside rest stops, photographer Ryann Ford began documenting them, each one different from the other. Traditional rest areas have become a relic of America's roadside past, unable to match the conveniences of modern day travel centers with their fast food restaurants, wireless internet, and large bathrooms. Click [here](#) to for the article or [here](#) for Ryann Ford's website.