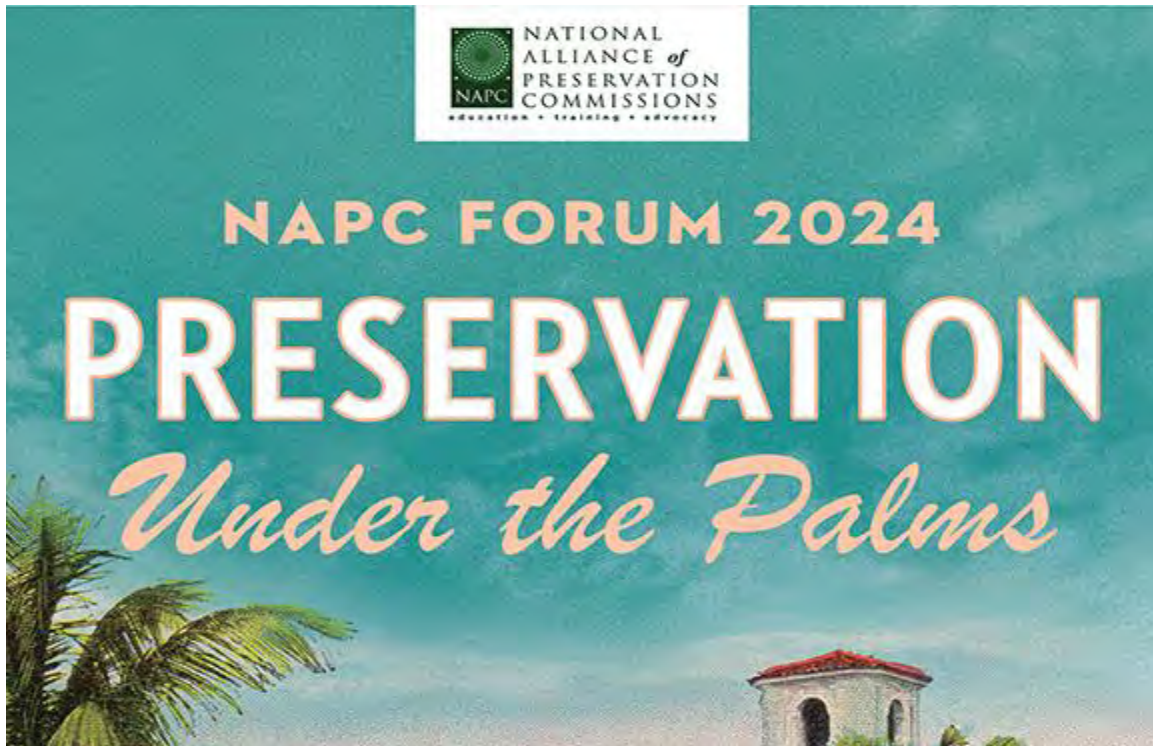


West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office

2024 NAPC FORUM Conference Scholarship



The West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office (WVSHPO) is currently offering Conference Scholarships to attend the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions FORUM “Preservation Under the Palms” in West Palm Beach, Florida. The purpose of the scholarship program is to provide education on historic preservation issues to West Virginia residents by attending sessions, learning from examples, and networking with commission members from other states. Conference attendees will return to their communities with new perspectives and insights into advancing the historic preservation movement. Scholarships are open to members of [Certified Local Governments \(CLGs\)](#) within West Virginia.

Scholarship applications are due **Friday, May 10, 2024** by 11:30pm EST. For additional deadline and submittal information, see the following pages.

FORUM Quick Info

Location: West Palm Beach, Florida at the [Hilton West Palm Beach](#)

Dates: July 31 – August 4, 2024

Main conference webpage: <https://forum.napcommissions.org/>

Preliminary Schedule:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/15u6QmynCyC5wKVpR-Mwv8deuGXbWeND/view>



Eligibility

Scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis. **Applicants associated with a Landmarks Commission with Certified Local Government status will have funding priority. Multiple commission members and staff from the same HLC may apply.** Up to 10 scholarships will be awarded in total.

Applicants must demonstrate how they will be able to further local historic preservation efforts with knowledge gained from attending the conference.

Program Requirements

Scholarship recipients must agree to attend educational sessions at the conference. All scholarship recipients will also agree to provide either a photo essay or short article to be featured in WVSHPO's CLG newsletter. Either medium must focus on a single topic, session, or idea that you will bring back to your community. Essays/articles should be accompanied by a reimbursement request.

Eligible Expenses

Each applicant will be reimbursed up to \$1,500 for the NAPC FORUM for: **Lodging, registration, transportation to and from the conference, and additional conference tours and special event add-ons.** Meals and other expenses outside of the \$1,500 will be covered by the attendee or the HLC.

Registration: Please note the early bird registration deadline for NAPC

Before May 31st:

\$275 for NAPC members, \$325 for non-members

After May 31st:

\$300 for NAPC members, \$350 for non-members

Lodging: Conference room block rate is \$165 per night for general attendees in a single/double room at the [Hilton West Palm Beach](#)

Transportation: The easiest airport to fly into will be the Palm Beach International Airport (PBI). The scholarship will also cover fees for rides from the airport to the hotel and back at the beginning and end of the trip.

Reimbursement Procedures

No later than four weeks after the date of travel, the scholarship recipient will be required to return the reimbursement request, notification, receipts, and an essay/article as noted above in *program requirements*.

Reimbursement payments will be made by WV SHPO typically within four to six weeks after the request for reimbursement is received.

Selection Process

Applications will be selected according to the following criteria:

- How will participation assist in addressing a local issue(s)?
- Will the scholarship provide training to a novice or to an experienced person in the field of historic preservation?
- Will the scholarship allow travel to those with limited budgets, or to those who may otherwise not have attended?

Applicants who are awarded scholarships will be informed approximately two weeks after the scholarship submission deadline.

How to Apply

The application is the last sheet of this document. Fill out the application either by typing your information and saving the PDF or hand-writing your information legibly and scanning it.

Please submit applications either through our online portal, [GOapply](#) (preferred), OR via snail mail (postmarked by May 10, 2024) to:

Christy Moore
State Historic Preservation Office
Division of Culture and History
1900 Kanawha Blvd. E.
Charleston, WV 25305

Scholarship Deadline

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OR sent via the mail, postmarked by May 10, 2024 to be considered.

For More Information

NAPC Plan Your Trip (lodging, transportation): <https://forum.napcommissions.org/travel>

Registration Page (includes tours and workshop add-ons): <https://napc.regfox.com/forum-2024>

Preliminary Schedule: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/15u6QmynCyC5wKVpvR-Mwv8deuGXbWeND/view>

This program receives Federal funds from the National Park Service. Regulations of the U.S. Department of the Interior strictly prohibit unlawful discrimination in departmental Federally Assisted Programs on the basis of race, color, national origin, age or handicap. Any person who believes he or she has been discriminated against in any program, activity, or facility operated by a recipient of Federal assistance should write to: Office of Equal Opportunity, National Park Service, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240.

2024 NAPC FORUM Conference Scholarship Application

Please print or type. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Daytime Telephone: _____

Email: _____

HLC/CLG you will represent: _____

Days planning to attend conference (check one):

Full Program (Wed July 31 – Sun Aug 4) – note that attending pre-conference events requires additional payment add-ons for certain events; the scholarship may be used to cover those additional fees– see Registration page for more information

Regular Conference (Friday Aug 2 – Sun Aug 4)

In the past 5 years have you attended other historic preservation related conferences? If so, please list names and years attended.

Please describe how knowledge gained at the conference will benefit historic preservation efforts in your community. Are there any sessions you are particularly interested in?

Please explain any current financial challenges within your HLC which may impact your ability to attend conferences or professional training.
