



# RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES DESIGNATION

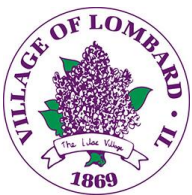
## LILACIA PARK

Village of Lombard, Illinois



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## RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### Village of Lombard, Illinois

#### INTRODUCTION

**Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc. (WJE)**, is pleased to present the following proposal for the National Register of Historic Places nomination for Lilacia Park.

We understand that the Village of Lombard Historic Preservation Commission is seeking a historic preservation specialist to complete a National Register nomination for Lilacia Park, a local landmark that not only plays a significant role in Lombard's identity as "the Lilac Village," but which has strong historical connections by way of the prominent Plum family and through the park's renowned designer, Jens Jensen. The National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) nomination will use National Register criteria and Illinois Department of National Resources methodology to determine significance, develop a context history, and establish and identify the criteria under which the resource is important. The nomination will be prepared according to federal and state documentation requirements.

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

##### WJE History

Established in 1956, WJE is a nationally recognized firm of architects, structural engineers, materials scientists, conservators, and historians specializing in the investigation, repair, and preservation of historic and contemporary structures. WJE has worked to preserve and restore some of the nation's most significant historic buildings and structures by providing preservation services for historic resources that are under the stewardship of the National Park Service, General Services Administration, State Historic Preservation Offices, and numerous other federal and state agencies and municipal governments.

WJE personnel are nationally recognized experts in historic preservation and have extensive knowledge and experience in preservation architecture and engineering, including past work on many National Historic Landmark, National Register-listed, and National Register-eligible properties. WJE regularly completes historic preservation documentation such as National Register nominations, architectural resource surveys for historic districts, Historic Structure Reports, Cultural Landscape Reports, and Historic American Building Survey (HABS) documentation, and has extensive experience in the application of federal, state, and local preservation standards and guidelines. Our specialized technical services for historic properties include materials conservation studies and nondestructive evaluations, supported by our in-house materials science group.

##### Project Understanding

The Lombard Historic Preservation Commission (LHPC), the Lombard Historical Society (LHS), and the Village of Lombard, supported by the Lombard Park District and other civic organizations, are leading an effort to recognize the historic aspects of Lilacia Park. In the heart of the Village of Lombard, the park contains the 2-1/2 acre lilac garden and carriage house once owned by Colonel William Plum, a Civil War telegrapher and Lombard's first village clerk, and his wife Helen. After his death in 1927, the property was bequeathed to the people of Lombard and then supplemented by an additional 5 acres acquired by the Lombard Park District. Jens Jensen—the famed Danish-American landscape architect, key figure in the

Prairie Style design aesthetic, and designer many of Chicago's most celebrated parks—was commissioned to design the new Lombard Community Garden. Now known as Lilacia Park, the park is known throughout the world for its extensive collection of lilacs. It has been a significant point of pride and pleasure to Lombard residents and visitors since 1929, and has served as a center point in village-wide festivities celebrating spring since 1930. The Illinois Department of National Resources has determined the park to be eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion A, in the area of local recreational history.

## **RESOURCES AND QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Expertise and Technology**

As nationally recognized experts in historic preservation, WJE personnel have wide-ranging experience in all aspects of planning, investigation, resource assessment, repair, and restoration. WJE offers the following unique qualifications for this project:

- A multi-disciplinary team of professionals, including historical architects, historians, and historical landscape architects, well-versed in the study and conservation of resources similar in age to Lilacia Park.
- A long history of successful performance conducting projects involving documentation, condition assessment and investigation, identification of character-defining features, evaluation of significance and integrity, development of treatment approaches and recommendations, and preparation of conservation and maintenance plans, as well as design and construction documents and construction phase services for the care of historic structures.
- Extensive experience with Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, *Preservation Brief 43: The Preparation and Use of Historic Structure Reports* (authored by WJE team member Deborah Slaton), the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Architectural and Engineering Documentation, and other relevant codes and standards, and their application to historic properties.
- Specialized technical services for historic properties that include nondestructive evaluations and materials conservation, supported by our in-house materials science group.
- Extensive history of successful performance in terms of quality of work, timeliness, and cost control.
- Depth of resources and proven capacity to perform work within budget and schedule requirements.
- Team members who greatly exceed the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards in their disciplines.
- Recognition through numerous preservation awards, including the Harley J. McKee Award for Outstanding Contributions to Preservation Technology by the Association for Preservation Technology International (APT).

WJE makes use of the latest software platforms for the preparation of National Register Nominations, including Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Creative Suite, AutoCAD, and Global Information System (GIS) technology.

*Please refer to Appendix A for a profile of WJE's historic preservation capabilities.*

### **Licensing and Registration**

WJE is qualified to do business by the Illinois Secretary of State (File. No. 5017-135-3), is in good standing, and has sufficient, qualified staff to deliver the services required.

## EXPERIENCE OF PROJECT PERSONNEL

The following key personnel will participate in the National Register nomination for Lilacia Park, supported by other WJE professional staff members as needed.

**Tim Penich** (Associate III, Project Manager) will manage and participate in the archival research and field survey and develop the nomination. Mr. Penich is a licensed architect with a Master of Architecture degree from the University of Illinois, with a focus in historic preservation. Mr. Penich meets the Secretary of the Interior's professional qualification standards for historic architecture and architectural history. He has participated in research, field investigation, and writing of numerous historic resource surveys, National Register nominations, HABS documentation, and Historic Structure Reports. Representative projects include historic resource surveys for the Will County Rural Historic Structure Survey and Blue Ridge Parkway; HABS documentation for Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Eames House, St. Elizabeths Hospital, former Church of the Resurrection, and St. James School; and National Register nominations for the, Flat Top Estate, Kingsley Plantation, the Pensacola Harbor Defense Project; and Dry Tortugas National Park.

**Deborah Slaton** (Principal, Project Advisor) will participate in development of the nomination and will review and edit all final documentation. Ms. Slaton has a Master of Architecture and a Master of Arts in English (Program for Writers) from the University of Illinois. She has over thirty years of experience in the investigation and documentation of historic buildings and structures. Ms. Slaton meets the Secretary of the Interior's professional qualification standards for architectural historian and has participated in the research, survey, writing, and editing of numerous National Register nominations, HABS documentation, and Historic Structure Reports. In addition, she is the author of National Park Service (NPS) *Preservation Brief 43: The Preparation and Use of Historic Structure Reports*.

**Kenneth Itle** (Associate Principal) will participate in the development of the nomination. Mr. Itle specializes in architectural preservation. He is a licensed architect with a Master of Architecture degree from the University of Illinois, with a focus on preservation. Mr. Itle meets the Secretary of the Interior's professional qualification standards for historic architecture and architectural history. His experience includes Historic Surveys, National Register nominations, HABS documentation, and Historic Structure Reports. Representative projects include the Will County Rural Historic Structure Survey, Blue Ridge Parkway field survey, and Historic Structure Reports and building preservation plans for 69 buildings at St. Elizabeths Hospital West Campus.

**Liz Sargent** (Affiliated Historical Landscape Architect) will participate in the field survey and archival research and development of the nomination. Ms. Sargent is a historical landscape architect with over twenty-five years of experience in preparing cultural landscape reports, preservation master plans, and historic landscape studies for historic sites nationwide. Ms. Sargent has worked for a variety of clients, including the National Park Service, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Civil War Preservation Trust, Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens, Historic Columbia Foundation, Fairfax County Park Authority, and the State of Connecticut. Ms. Sargent has a Master of Landscape Architecture from the University of Virginia and meets the Secretary of the Interior's professional qualification standards for history.

*Please refer to Appendix B for Personnel Qualifications for each team member*

## REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

WJE preservation personnel have conducted dozens of historic resource survey and documentation projects for a wide range of private, institutional, and governmental clients. Examples include:

### National Register of Historic Places Nominations:

- **Kingsley Plantation Historic District, Jacksonville, Florida** – The Kingsley Plantation is a highly significant 58-acre site located within the Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve. WJE developed a National Register nomination for the former plantation, which includes the plantation house, kitchen house, barn, Army-Navy Lodge building, the ruins of approximately twenty-five original slave cabins, as well as several landscape components.
- **Dry Tortugas Historic District, Dry Tortugas, Florida** – WJE recently prepared a National Register nomination for a historic district consisting of Dry Tortugas National Park, including the historic military defense complex and U.S. Light Station situated on Garden Key and Loggerhead Key, as well as other historic resources. The nomination includes Fort Jefferson, a masonry fortification constructed in the mid nineteenth century, and numerous military support structures on Garden Key; as well as the Dry Tortugas lighthouse, keeper’s residence, boat house, and support structures on Loggerhead Key; the ruins of a Carnegie research laboratory; and numerous underwater archaeological sites (primarily shipwrecks).
- **Flat Top Estate (Moses H. Cone Memorial Park), Blowing Rock, North Carolina** – WJE developed a National Register historic district nomination for an early twentieth-century rural estate along the Blue Ridge Parkway National Parkway. Flat Top Estate, now Moses H. Cone Memorial Park, is composed of over 160 buildings, structures, and landscape features, all of which were studied for the nomination. WJE also completed a Cultural Landscape Inventory and an update to the existing Cultural Landscape Report in conjunction with the National Register nomination.
- **Gulf Islands National Seashore, Pensacola, Florida** – Gulf Islands National Seashore includes within its boundaries the historic resources of Fort Pickens, a coastal fortification developed between 1829 and 1944 on Santa Rosa Island. WJE has completed and is conducting several projects at the Gulf Islands National Seashore, including a recently completed National Register nomination for the Pensacola Harbor Defenses Historic District, Historic Structure Reports for five different military structures, and ongoing engineering consulting services for several of the historic resources. WJE performed archival research, field survey and assessment, and developed reports for these structures.

### Architectural Resource Surveys:

- **Will County Rural Historic Structures Survey, Will County, Illinois** – Since 1999, WJE has conducted intensive-level surveys of historic farmsteads and other rural structures throughout Will County, Illinois, including photo-documentation and field surveys of more than 11,000 structures, preparation of base maps using Arc View GIS, and identification of potential landmarks. WJE has also conducted archival research and prepared written narrative architectural resources reports for each of the townships surveyed.
- **Blue Ridge Parkway, Virginia and North Carolina** – WJE conducted a historic resource survey of over 1,100 resources along the Blue Ridge Parkway, performing archival research to support the development of historic contexts, assessing significance and integrity of individual resources, developing a database of survey documentation, and preparing a summary report. WJE conducted

archival research and site work to support preparation of documentation for each resource identified for use by the National Park Service, and Virginia and North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office ; developed a database of information; and prepared a narrative report that included a historical narrative, summary of resource documentation, and evaluation of significance and integrity.

**Historic Structures Reports (HSR), Cultural Landscape Reports (CLR) and Historic American Building Surveys (HABS)**

- **Former Church of the Resurrection, West Chicago, Illinois** – WJE developed a historic resource survey, as required by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, which included an evaluation of significance of the former church building for the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County. WJE also completed HABS documentation for the historic church building designed by notable Chicago architect Edward Dart.
- **Andersonville National Historic Site, Andersonville, Georgia.** WJE completed a Cultural Landscape Report and a Cultural Landscape Inventory for Andersonville National Historic Site, including the historic prison site (Camp Sumter), National Prisoner of War Museum, and National Cemetery. The projects involved archival research; assessment and documentation of the landscape, buildings, structures, monuments, and markers; evaluation of significance and integrity; and development of treatment recommendations. In addition, WJE recently completed a Historic Resource Study for Andersonville National Historic Site, including development of historic contexts and management recommendations for the site and its resources.
- **St. Elizabeths Hospital West Campus, Washington, D.C.** – WJE developed Historic American Building Survey narrative reports and record photography, as well as Historic Structure Reports and Building Preservation Plans, for the sixty-nine buildings of the National Historic Landmark, which comprises the nation’s first mental institution. WJE is also providing consulting services on the rehabilitation of selected buildings for reuse.

*Please refer to Appendix C for profiles of representative WJE projects.*

**CLIENT REFERENCES**

See below for contact information for clients for whom the project team has performed similar services.

Contact	Relevant Projects
Cynthia Walton National Historic Landmarks Program Manager National Park Service, Southeast Region 100 Alabama St. SW, Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 507-5792 Cynthia_Walton@nps.gov	National Register nomination for Dry Tortugas National Park; National Register nomination for Flat Top Estate (Moses H. Cone Memorial Park); and others.
R. Steven Kidd Chief of Resources and Facility Management National Park Service Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site Flat Rock, North Carolina 28731-8635 (828) 693-4178 Steven_kidd@nps.gov	Historic Resource Survey of over 1,100 resources along Blue Ridge Parkway: archival research, significance/integrity assessment, field work; and preparation of database and summary report for NPS use and to support preparation of State Historic Preservation Office survey forms for each resource identified.

Contact	Relevant Projects
Janine Farrell Historic Preservation Manager Will County (Illinois) Lane Use Department 58 East Clinton Street, Suite 100 Joliet, Illinois 60432 (815) 774-3321 jfarrell@willcountylanduse.com	Intensive level surveys of historic farmsteads and other rural structures; photo documentation and field surveys of more than 11,000 structures to identify potential landmarks; performed archival research and written narrative architectural resources reports for each Township surveyed.

## SCOPE OF WORK

As stated in the Request for Proposals, the National Register staff of the Illinois State Historic Preservation office, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, has determined that Lilacia Park is eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion A - Entertainment/Recreation. To support the Park's eligibility using Criterion A, WJE plans to employ strategic information gathered on Jens Jensen's contributions to the park. Beginning with resources available at the Lombard Historic Society, and incorporating other research findings and resources, WJE will produce materials outlined in the Illinois National Register Submittal Policy, including the following:

- Completed National Register nomination form.
- A site plan.
- GIS map.
- One set of printed photographs.
- One CD/DVD with TIFF images.
- One CD/DVD with JPEG images.
- A copy of all submitted National Register nomination materials including attachments.
- A digital copy of all presentations and associated materials.
- **Public meeting.** WJE will conduct one public meeting to be held at a meeting of the Lombard Historic Preservation Commission prior to the presentation to the Illinois Historic Sites Advisory Committee (IHSAC).
- **Presentation.** WJE will create a Microsoft PowerPoint presentation and present the final National Register nomination to the IHSAC.



## PROPOSED PROJECT BUDGET

WJE proposes to perform the scope of work described above for a total not-to-exceed cost of **\$13,467**. A summary of costs with breakdown is shown in the table below.

### Summary of Proposed Costs

Labor Costs	
1. Review of Existing Conditions	\$1,440
2. Research	\$940
3. Develop and Submit Draft National Register Nomination	\$6800
4. Address Comments received on Draft National Register Nomination	\$1,300
5. Prepare for and attend Lombard HPC meeting	\$540
6. Prepare for and attend IHSAC meeting	\$720
7. Revisions to National Register Nomination and Final Submittal	\$1,440
<b>Total Labor Costs</b>	<b>\$13,180</b>
Reimbursable Expenses	
Mileage Reimbursement (\$0.545/mile)	\$164
Printing and Shipping Expenses	\$125
<b>Total Reimbursable Expenses</b>	<b>\$289</b>
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>\$13,469</b>

## PROPOSED PROJECT SCHEDULE

We have reviewed the schedule that is included in the RFP and can commence work upon execution of a contract in accordance with the schedule presented in the RFP. All dates are subject to mutual agreement with the Village of Lombard Historic Preservation Commission.

Selection of Firm	October 2, 2018
Execution of Contract	October 2018
On-site investigation and archival research	October 2018
First draft submittal for review and comment	November 21, 2018
Nomination submittal for review by IHS Advisory Council at February 22, 2019, meeting	February 1, 2019, or as needed to be included on February 22, 2019 agenda*
Public meeting at Lombard Historic Preservation Commission (1 month before IHSAC meeting)	January–February 2019
Further recommended revisions by IHSAC	February–March 2019
Final report submittal	April 2019

\* Assuming comments from the IDNR on the draft nomination are received within 30 days of submittal.

## **CONCLUSION**

Thank you for the opportunity to propose on this project to assist the Lombard Historic Preservation Commission in its preservation efforts for Lilacia Park. The WJE project team offers the following unique qualifications for successfully completing this project.

- A multi-disciplinary team of professionals, including historical architects, historians, historical landscape architects, conservators, and materials scientists.
- Recognized expertise in the assessment, conservation, and maintenance of historic structures and cultural landscapes, and extensive knowledge of conservation policies and practice.
- Extensive experience with Secretary of the Interior's Standards, as well as other relevant codes and standards, and their application to historic properties.
- A long history of successful performance conducting projects involving archival research, condition assessment, identification of character-defining features, evaluation of significance and integrity, value-based assessment, treatment recommendations, and contemporary design for technically sound and historically appropriate treatment of historic properties.
- Extensive experience working with government agencies, including the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and National Park Service on historic properties, including preparation of determinations of eligibility, National Register nominations, and HABS documentation.

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## CAPABILITY PROFILE

# Historic Preservation Services

## National Register and National Historic Landmark Experience

### BACKGROUND

WJE is uniquely qualified to respond to the technical and aesthetic needs of architecturally significant and historic structures. WJE project personnel are nationally-recognized leaders in the field of historic preservation. The firm has been recognized by the Harley J. McKee Award for Outstanding Contributions to Preservation Technology by the Association for Preservation Technology International (APT). Our preservation personnel have extensive experience working within federal, state, and local preservation guidelines and standards. WJE professional experience greatly exceeds the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for Architectural History and for Historic Architecture. WJE has extensive experience working on properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places and National Historic Landmarks. Projects for which WJE has provided preservation services have included historic properties under the stewardship of the National Park Service, General Services Administration, State Historic Preservation Offices, and numerous other federal and state agencies as well as non-profit organizations.

### SCOPE OF SERVICES

WJE has extensive knowledge and experience in preservation architecture and engineering, as well as materials conservation, including past work on many studies, investigations, and construction projects for National Register and National Historic Landmark properties. WJE regularly completes historic preservation documents such as Historic Structure Reports, HABS/HAER documentation, National Register nominations, and historic district surveys. Our specialized technical services for historic properties include nondestructive evaluations, supported by our in-house materials science group.

WJE work on historic buildings and structures has included research and writing of Historic Structure Reports and Cultural Landscape Reports; National Register, Historic American Building Survey, and Historic American Engineering Record documentation; condition assessments and investigations; facade and roofing repair and restoration; materials conservation studies and finishes analysis; structural analysis and upgrading; and cyclical maintenance planning. WJE preservation personnel are expert in the evaluation of historic properties and in the application of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. In addition, WJE is familiar with government contracting requirements for federal and state work on listed historic structures, and regularly responds to the technical and logistical challenges inherent in investigating and implementing repairs at these historic structures.

Following is a partial list of National Historic Landmarks and National Register properties for which WJE has provided historic preservation services.

- Alcatraz Island, San Francisco, California
- Andersonville National Historic Site, Andersonville, Georgia
- Anheuser Busch Brewery, St. Louis, Missouri
- Auditorium Building, Chicago, Illinois
- Bathhouse Row, Hot Springs, Arkansas
- Biloxi Lighthouse, Biloxi, Mississippi
- Blue Ridge Parkway Historic Survey, Asheville, North Carolina
- Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Brevard County, Florida
- Cape Hatteras Light Station, Buxton, North Carolina
- Cape Lookout Village, Carteret County, North Carolina
- Carson Pirie Scott and Company Store, Chicago, Illinois
- Charles Gates Dawes House, Evanston, Illinois
- Chicago Board of Trade Building, Chicago, Illinois
- Church of the Holy Family, Cahokia, Illinois
- Cow Creek Adobe, Death Valley National Park, California
- Drakesbad Guest Ranch, Lassen Volcanic National Park, California

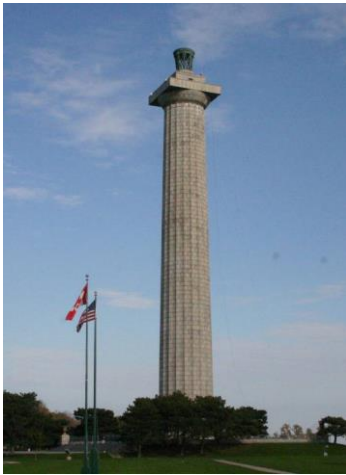




## CAPABILITY PROFILE

# Historic Preservation Services

## National Register and National Historic Landmark Experience



- Dry Tortugas National Park, Florida
- Flamingo Mission 66 Developed Area, Everglades National Park, Florida
- Flat Top Estate (Moses H. Cone Memorial Park), Blowing Rock, North Carolina
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- Faneuil Hall, Boston, Massachusetts
- Farnsworth House, Plano, Illinois
- Fisher Building, Detroit, Michigan
- Flamingo Mission 66 Developed Area, Everglades National Park, Florida
- Fort Barry Balloon Hangar, Marin Headlands, Golden Gate National Recreation Area, California
- Fort Mason Building 201, San Francisco, California
- Fort Raleigh National Historic Site, Roanoke Island, North Carolina
- Gateway Arch, St. Louis, Missouri
- Gateway National Recreation Area, Staten Island, New York
- Georgia State Capitol, Atlanta, Georgia
- Good Fellow Club Youth Camp, Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, Porter, Indiana
- Gulf Islands National Seashore, Florida
- HM-69 Nike Missile Base, Everglades National Park, Florida
- Hay House, Macon, Georgia
- Herbert Hoover Birthplace, West Branch, Iowa
- Horseshoe Bend National Military Park, Alabama
- Hotel Florence, Pullman Historic District, Chicago, Illinois
- Illinois State Capitol, Springfield, Illinois
- Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, Massachusetts
- Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield, Marietta, Georgia
- Kingsley Plantation, Florida
- Liberty Memorial, Kansas City, Missouri
- Main Lodge, Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, Alaska
- Mammoth Cave National Park, Kentucky
- Marquette Building, Chicago, Illinois
- Marshall Field Company Store, Chicago, Illinois
- Martin Luther King, Jr., National Historical Park, Atlanta, Georgia
- Merchants' Exchange Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City
- Minneapolis State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota
- Mississippi State Capitol, Jackson, Mississippi
- Mount Vernon Historic High School, Alexandria, Virginia
- Natchez National Military Park, Natchez, Mississippi
- Nebraska State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska
- New York Public Library, New York, New York
- Nicodemus National Historic Site, Nicodemus, Kansas
- Ninety-Six National Historic Site, Ninety Six, South Carolina
- Noland House, Harry S Truman National Historic Site, Independence, Missouri
- North Dakota State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota
- Paradise Inn and Annex, Mount Rainier National Park, Washington
- Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Pennsylvania State Memorial, Gettysburg National Military Park, Pennsylvania
- Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial, Put-In-Bay, Ohio
- Philadelphia City Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Philadelphia Savings Fund Society (PSFS) Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Pigtail Bridge, Wind Cave National Park, South Dakota
- Portsmouth Village, Carteret County, North Carolina
- Presidio of San Francisco, San Francisco, California
- Raspberry Island Lighthouse, Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Wisconsin



- Rancho San Andres Castro Adobe, Watsonville, California
- Rangers Club, Yosemite National Park, California
- Reconstruction Era National Monument, Beaufort, South Carolina
- Reliance Building, Chicago, Illinois
- Richmond Shipyard No. 3, Richmond, California
- St. Elizabeths West Campus, Washington, D.C.
- Ste. Genevieve Historic District, Ste. Genevieve, Missouri
- S. C. Johnson Company, Racine, Wisconsin
- San Francisco Maritime Museum, San Francisco, California
- San Jacinto Monument, Houston, Texas
- Shark Valley Tower, Everglades National Park, Florida
- Stones River National Battlefield, Murfreesboro, Tennessee
- Texas State Capitol, Austin, Texas
- Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site, Alabama
- Tuskegee Institute, Alabama
- Union Building, Keweenaw National Historical Park, Michigan
- United States Custom House, New Orleans, Louisiana
- Unity Temple, Oak Park, Illinois
- Vicksburg National Military Park, Vicksburg, Mississippi
- Volcano House, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park
- Wawona Hotel, Yosemite National Park, California
- West Baden Springs Hotel, West Baden Springs, Indiana
- White Wolf Historic District, Yosemite Valley, California
- Willa Cather Childhood Home, Red Cloud, Nebraska
- Wisconsin State Capitol, Madison, Wisconsin
- Woolworth Building, New York, New York
- Wright Brothers National Memorial Visitor Center, Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

*Appendix B*

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## PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS

### Timothy M. Penich | Associate III



#### EDUCATION

- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
  - Bachelor of Science, Architectural Studies, 2007
  - Master of Architecture, 2009

#### PRACTICE AREAS

- Historic Preservation
- Historic Structure Reports
- HABS and HAER Documentation
- National Register Nominations
- Repair and Rehabilitation Design

#### REGISTRATIONS

- Architect in IL

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Institute of Architects (AIA)
- Association for Preservation Technology International
- National Trust for Historic Preservation

#### CONTACT

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#### EXPERIENCE

Timothy Penich has been involved in several building repair and historic preservation projects since joining WJE. His historic preservation experience includes working on historic structure reports, Cultural Landscape Reports, Historic American Building Surveys (HABS), National Register Nominations and architectural historical surveys of rural and urban structures and districts. This work has required him to perform surveys of historic buildings, archival research, and write historical and descriptive narratives.

#### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

##### Historic Preservation

- Blue Ridge Parkway - North Carolina and Virginia: Assessment and inventory of buildings, structures, bridges, and tunnels.
- Rural Structures Survey - Will County, IL: Architectural historical survey of farmsteads and related sites

##### Historic Structure Reports

- Central High School National Historic Site - Little Rock, AR: Building investigation and assessment, moisture entrapment survey of roof, archival research, and writing of narrative for Historic Structure Report
- Everglades National Park - FL: Building investigation and assessment, and writing of Historic Structures Reports for the Flamingo Development Area, HM-69 Nike Missile Site, and Shark Valley Tower
- Fort Pulaski National Monument: Building investigation and assessment, and writing of Historic Structure Report for the masonry fort.
- Gulf Islands National Seashore Building investigation and assessment, and writing of Historic Structures Reports for the Fort Pickens Mine Support Structures, Battery Langdon, and Battery 234 CRF/BCS Tower.
- Henry Bollman House - CA: Building investigation and assessment, and writing of Historic Structure Report.
- Mammoth Cave National Park - KY: Building investigation and assessment, and writing of Historic Structure Report for the masonry Superintendent's Residence.
- Martin Luther King, Jr., National Historical Park, Atlanta, Georgia: Historic Structure Reports

- Peter Strauss Ranch, Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area: archival research, investigation and assessment, and writing of Historic Structures Report
- St. Elizabeths Hospital West Campus - Washington, D.C.: Archival research and writing of history for historic structures reports

##### HABS and HAER Documentation

- Church of the Resurrection - West Chicago, IL: Historic American Building Survey drawings and narrative
- Eames House - Los Angeles, CA: Historic American Building Survey drawings
- Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum - Boston, MA: Historic American Building Survey drawings
- St. Elizabeths Hospital West Campus - Washington, D.C.: Historic American Building Survey narrative

##### National Register Nominations

- Flat Top Estate Historic District (Moses H. Cone National Memorial Park), Blue Ridge Parkway, Virginia: National Register nomination
- Kingsley Plantation - Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve, FL: National Register nomination.
- Mammoth Cave National Park, Kentucky: National Register Additional Documentation
- Pensacola Harbor Defense Project (Fort Pickens) - Gulf Islands National Seashore, FL: National Register nomination
- White Wolf Lodge, Yosemite National Park, California: Determination of Eligibility



### Deborah Slaton | Principal



#### EDUCATION

- Northwestern University
  - Bachelor of Arts, Art History, 1975
- University of Illinois at Chicago
  - Master of Arts, English, Program for Writers, 1976
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
  - Master of Architecture, Architectural Engineering, 1982

#### PRACTICE AREAS

- Architectural Conservation
- Cultural Landscape Reports
- HABS Documentation
- Historic Preservation
- Historical Research
- Historic Structures Reports
- Materials Conservation
- National Register nominations

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Association for Preservation Technology International, Fellow
- American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works
- Historic Preservation Education Foundation, Director
- Society of Architectural Historians

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#### EXPERIENCE

Ms. Slaton specializes in historic preservation and materials conservation. She has served as project historian and principal investigator for numerous historic structures, sites, monuments, museums, and other institutions, including historical and technical research, development of preservation and repair documents, and problem-solving for archaic and modern materials. She has served as principal author of numerous investigation and preservation reports, conservation studies, Historic Structures Reports, Cultural Landscape Reports, and HABS/HAER documentation projects for numerous National Register-listed properties and National Historic Landmarks, and as author or co-author of numerous National Register nominations and related documentation projects.

Ms. Slaton has published and lectured extensively on preservation technology, materials conservation, and architectural history. She is the editor of the proceedings of several national preservation conferences, the author of National Park Service *Preservation Brief No. 43: Preparation and Use of Historic Structure Reports*, and co-author of the second edition of *Preservation Brief No. 15: Preservation of Historic Concrete*.

#### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

- Andersonville National Historic Site, Marietta, Georgia: Cultural Landscape Inventories; Cultural Landscape Report; Historic Resource Study
- Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area, Kentucky and Tennessee: Historic Resource Study
- Blue Ridge Parkway, North Carolina and Virginia: Historic Resource Survey and Assessment, Cultural Landscape Reports
- Chadwell Gap Coal Company Historic District, Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, Virginia: Determination of Eligibility
- Dry Tortugas National Park, Florida: National Register nomination
- Everglades National Park, Florida (various sites): Cultural Landscape Inventories and Historic Structures Reports; National Register nomination for Mission 66 resources park-wide

- Flat Top Estate (Moses H. Cone Memorial Park): National Register nomination, Cultural Landscape Inventory, and Cultural Landscape Report Update
- Kingsley Plantation, Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve, Florida: National Register nomination
- Flat Top Estate Historic District (Moses H. Cone National Memorial Park), Blue Ridge Parkway, Virginia: National Register nomination, Cultural Landscape Inventory, and Cultural Landscape Report update
- Horseshoe Bend National Military Park, Horseshoe Bend, Alabama: Historic Resource Study and National Register nomination
- Mammoth Cave National Park, Kentucky: Historic Structure Report, Cultural Landscape Reports, National Register Additional Documentation
- Martin Luther King, Jr., National Historical Park, Atlanta, Georgia: Historic Structure Reports, Cultural Landscape Report
- Nicodemus National Historic Site, Nicodemus, Kansas: Historic Structures Report for five structures
- Pensacola Harbor Defense Project, Gulf Islands National Seashore, Florida: National Register nomination, Historic Structure Reports
- Peter Strauss Ranch, Santa Monica Mountains, California: Historic Structure Report, Cultural Landscape Report
- Shiloh National Military Park, Shiloh, Tennessee, and Corinth, Mississippi: Administrative History
- St. Elizabeths West Campus, Washington, D.C.: Historic Structure Reports and Historic American Building Survey documentation
- University of Georgia, Athens: Historic Preservation Master Plan for University historic resources and sites statewide

#### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

- APT Publications Committee
- APT Committee on Twentieth-Century Modern Heritage
- APT Committee on Sustainable Preservation
- SAH Heritage Conservation Committee



## PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS

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#### EDUCATION

- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
  - Bachelor of Science, Architectural Studies, 1998
  - Master of Architecture, Preservation, 2000

#### PRACTICE AREAS

- Architectural Historical Surveys
- Building Maintenance Plans
- Construction Observation
- Historic Preservation
- Historic Structures Reports
- Leakage Investigation
- National Register Nominations

#### REGISTRATIONS

- Architect in Illinois and Texas
- National Council of Architectural Registration Boards

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Institute of Architects (AIA)
- Association for Preservation Technology International (APT)
- U.S. Committee, International Council of Monuments and Sites (US/ICOMOS)
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#### EXPERIENCE

Kenneth Itle specializes in architectural preservation. His experience includes condition surveys, preparation of repair drawings and specifications, and construction observation for brick and stone masonry, roofing, plaster, windows, and plaza systems.

In addition to his historic preservation work, Mr. Itle has experience in the investigation and repair of water leakage in the building envelope. His work includes water infiltration testing of masonry, curtain wall, and metal panel systems. Mr. Itle also serves as Vice Chair of the City of Evanston Preservation Commission.

#### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

##### Historic Structure Reports and Surveys

- Portland VA Hospital - Portland, Oregon: Historic preservation Section 106 assessment of three buildings
- Hoover Dam Monument Plaza - Boulder City, Nevada: NEPA Environmental Assessment for restoration
- Illinois and Michigan Canal Commissioner's Office - Lockport, Illinois: Field survey, documentation, and historic research for HSR
- Gateway Arch, Jefferson National Expansion Memorial - St. Louis, Missouri - Field investigation, research, and report writing for HSR
- Old Courthouse, St. Louis, Missouri - Field investigation, research, and report writing for historic study
- Good Fellow Club Youth Camp - Porter, Indiana: Field investigation, historical research, and writing for HSR
- Nicodemus National Historic Site - Nicodemus, Kansas: Field investigation, historical research, and writing for HSR
- Noland House, Harry S Truman National Historic Site - Independence, Missouri: Field investigation, historical research, and writing for HSR
- Illinois State Capitol - Springfield, Illinois: Field investigation and historic chronology for HSR

- Kankakee County Preservation Plan - Kankakee County, Illinois: Development of master plan for preservation activities and preliminary documentation of historic properties
- Oak Park Madison Street and Lake Street Corridor Surveys - Oak Park, Illinois: Architectural and historical survey of commercial districts
- Plainfield Rural Structures and Farmsteads Survey - Plainfield, Illinois: Architectural and historical survey, research, report writing
- Will County Rural Structures Survey - Will County, Illinois: Architectural and historical survey, research report writing, mapping

##### Historic Preservation

- Horace Mann Insurance Company - Springfield, Illinois: Waterproofing and plaza paving technical consulting for repair of travertine plaza and facade
- Illinois Governor's Mansion - Springfield, Illinois: Investigation and construction documents for masonry and roof rehabilitation
- University of Chicago - Chicago, Illinois: Repair study for historic windows; assessment of ten modernist buildings and development of preservation recommendations
- Birge Hall, University of Wisconsin - Madison, Wisconsin: Investigation and preparation of construction documents for repair of sandstone facade
- Eighth Street Bank Building - St. Louis, Missouri: Investigation and preparation of construction documents for granite facade
- First United Methodist Church - Evanston, Illinois: Investigation and repair concepts for limestone masonry facade
- Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial - Put-in Bay, Ohio: Investigation and repair design of 350-foot tall granite column and raised plaza
- Wisconsin State Capitol - Madison, Wisconsin: Full time construction observation during repairs to granite facade



#### EDUCATION

- University of Virginia
  - Master of Landscape Architecture, 1991
- Connecticut College
  - Bachelor of Arts, Botany and American History, 1984

#### PRACTICE AREAS

- Landscape History
- Historical Landscape Architecture
- Preservation Planning
- Cultural Landscape Reports

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- Landscape Architect in VA
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- Fellow, American Society of Landscape Architects
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#### EXPERIENCE

Liz Sargent is a historical landscape architect with over twenty-five years of experience conducting research, documentation, assessment, and planning for significant historic landscapes around the United States. Ms. Sargent has worked for a variety of clients, including the National Park Service, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Civil War Preservation Trust, Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens, Historic Columbia Foundation, Fairfax County Park Authority, and the State of Connecticut.

Ms. Sargent regularly collaborates with architects, historians, archeologists and engineers to address complex multi-disciplinary client needs. Ms. Sargent offers a wealth of experience working with historic properties of many scales, historic periods, and associations. An active member in several historic preservation-related organizations, she advises community-led projects, lectures at university programs, and presents papers and case studies at professional conferences.

#### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

- Andersonville National Historic Site, Marietta, Georgia: Cultural Landscape Report; Historic Resources Study
- Appomattox Court House National Historical Park, Appomattox, Virginia: Cultural Landscape Report
- Ball's Bluff Battlefield, Leesburg, Virginia: National Historic Landmark Nomination
- Blue Ridge Parkway, North Carolina and Virginia: Historic Resource Survey and Assessment
- Chadwell Gap Coal Company Historic District, Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, Virginia: Determination of Eligibility
- D.C. Workhouse and Reformatory Historic District, Lorton, Virginia: National Register Nomination
- Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, New Jersey and Pennsylvania: Determinations of Eligibility and National Register Nominations for twelve properties
- Farnsworth House, Plano, Illinois: Preservation Plan
- Flat Top Estate (Moses H. Cone Memorial Park), Blowing Rock, North Carolina: National Register Nomination

- Fort Frederica National Monument Historic District, St. Simons Island, Georgia: National Register Additional Documentation/ Boundary Increase Nomination
- Kingsley Plantation, Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve, Jacksonville, Florida: National Register Nomination
- Lee (Emancipation) Park, Charlottesville, Virginia: Historic American Landscape Survey
- Mount Rushmore National Memorial, Mount Rushmore, South Dakota: National Register Nomination Update
- Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens, Alexandria, Virginia: Cultural Landscape Report
- Pensacola Harbor Defense Project, Gulf Islands National Seashore, Florida: National Register Nomination
- Ninety Six National Historic Site, Ninety Six, South Carolina: Cultural Landscape Report
- President's Park, Washington, D.C.: Cultural Landscape Report
- Rahway River Parkway, Union County, New Jersey: Determination of Eligibility
- Rahway River Parkway, Union County, New Jersey: National Register Nomination (in process)
- William Howard Taft National Historic Site, Cincinnati, Ohio: National Register Nomination Update

#### SELECTED AWARDS

- First Place, Lee (Emancipation) Park Historic American Landscape Survey, National Park Service/American Society of Landscape Architects, HALS Challenge 2017
- Award of Commendation, "Yorktown Battlefield Earthworks Management Plan," Virginia Chapter, ASLA, 2016
- Award of Merit, "Blue Ridge Parkway Systemwide Survey," Virginia Chapter, ASLA, 2015
- Historic Preservation Honor Award, "The Woodrow Wilson Family Home Preservation and Renovation," South Carolina Historic Preservation Awards, 2014
- Award of Merit, Ninety Six National Historic Site Cultural Landscape Report, Virginia Chapter, ASLA, 2011

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**PROJECT PROFILE**

# Kingsley Plantation Historic District

National Register Nomination Amendment | Jacksonville, FL



**CLIENT**

National Park Service

**BACKGROUND**

The Kingsley Plantation is a 58-acre site located within the Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve and is the oldest extant plantation complex within the State of Florida. A workforce of approximately sixty slaves helped the plantation produce cotton, sugar cane, citrus fruits, and corn. The two-story plantation house, built between 1797 and 1798, resembled a British gentry house and comprises a large central building with four one-story pavilions at each corner. The foundations of the house, kitchen, barn, and slave quarters were constructed of tabby, a durable regional type of concrete made from oyster shells that was used by early Spanish settlers and English colonists.

The property was first listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1970. After the findings of archaeological investigations revealed new information about the history and material culture associated with the property, WJE was engaged to amend the original National Register nomination for the property, including the plantation house, kitchen house, barn, Army-Navy Lodge building, the ruins of approximately twenty-five original slave cabins, as well as several landscape components.

**SOLUTION**

WJE historical architects consulted historical documentation, park planning documents, maps and drawings, and on-site sources to determine the current physical appearance and condition of the property, to establish character-defining features, areas and periods of significance, and historic integrity.

The results of recent archaeological excavations, including artifacts relating to the material culture of antebellum slave life, were integrated into WJE's research and determination of the property's significance. Other factors included the lengthy ownership history of the property and the cultural heritage of the landscape, from pre-settlement occupation to its subsequent agricultural development, its reliance on slave labor through the Civil War, and the crops and evolving methods that enabled land owners to succeed in managing their properties in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

More than twenty-five contributing and noncontributing resources were photographed, researched, identified, and documented to provide updated information reflecting the current physical condition, significance, and integrity of the site and its resources.





**PROJECT PROFILE**

# Dry Tortugas National Park

National Register Nomination | Monroe County, FL



**CLIENT**

National Park Service

**BACKGROUND**

Strategically positioned along extensively used shipping lanes, Fort Jefferson was designed to protect American maritime, commercial, and military interests. The largest all-masonry fort in the United States was constructed in 1846–1875 and incorporated the latest technologies into its design, including hinged, iron Totten shutters that protected the cannon openings. Distinguishing features also include decorative brickwork and 2,000 arches.

The Dry Tortugas Light Station is a surviving example of a new tall form lighthouse, designed to house a first-order Fresnel lamp, a nineteenth-century innovation used only in the most important lighthouses.

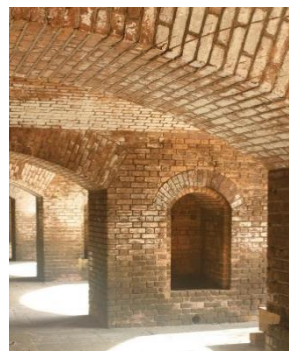
Dry Tortugas National Park, located 70 miles west of Key West, Florida, protects Fort Jefferson, a mid-nineteenth century Third System coastal defense structure that constitutes one of the largest and most powerful fortifications of its type. WJE historical architects developed a comprehensive nomination for historic resources throughout the National Park, including the masonry fort, the original lighthouse on Garden Key, Dry Tortugas Light Station, and other structures and sites.

**SOLUTION**

WJE conducted extensive archival research and performed physical investigations to prepare documentation for a historic district nomination, including assessing the topographical and spatial elements as well as buildings, structures, and other features that define the character of the National Park. Contributing resources included Fort Jefferson, including the counterscarp and moat, fort walls, original Garden Key Light, shot furnaces, powder magazines, officers quarters, casemates, cisterns, and the parade ground; the Dry Tortugas Light Station; and ruins of the Carnegie research station, among others.



WJE also reviewed and summarized NPS archeological surveys that had identified numerous submerged resources. These supported assessment of the significance of the Dry Tortugas to maritime, exploration, commerce, navigation, transportation and military defense.





**PROJECT PROFILE**

# Flat Top Historic District

National Register Historic District Nomination | Blowing Rock, North Carolina



**CLIENT**

National Park Service

**BACKGROUND**

The Flat Top Estate Historic District is one of the largest and best preserved country estates in western North Carolina. The estate features a large manor house surrounded by orchards, meadows, pastures, lakes and other constructed water features, roads, and forests. It is significant for its association with Moses H. Cone, a leader in the development of the textile industry in the South.

The Historic District is bisected along its north–south axis by the Blue Ridge Parkway. To the north of the parkway, the topography of the district includes the summits of Rich and Flat Top mountains. To the south of the parkway, the property is characterized by a central plateau set more than 500 feet below the mountain summits.

The National Park Service engaged Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates to prepare a National Register nomination for the Flat Top Estate Historic District, a 3,500-acre early twentieth-century rural estate within the rolling to rugged terrain of the Blue Ridge Parkway. The district includes 160 buildings, structures, and landscape features, mostly clustered on the plateau south of the parkway.



**SOLUTION**

WJE conducted archival research at local, state, and National Park Service repositories to develop the historical narrative and historic contexts for the property. A field survey was performed to evaluate the historic significance and integrity of the site according to National Register criteria. The study evaluated significance, provided context history and historical themes, documented and assessed the integrity of existing built and landscape resources, established district boundaries, determined a period of significance, and identified specific contributing and non-contributing resources. Site maps and photographs were prepared to illustrate the narrative.



The Historic District was entered into the National Register in December 2013 for its significance to Architecture, Industry, Landscape Architecture and Social History. The nomination will also be used to support planning for preservation within the district.

Together with the National Register nomination, the WJE project team also prepared Cultural Landscape Inventory documentation and an update to the existing Cultural Landscape Report for the property,





PROJECT PROFILE

# Rural Historic Structures Survey

Historic Survey and Documentation | Will County, Illinois



**CLIENT**

Will County Land Use Department and Will County Historic Preservation Commission

**BACKGROUND**

Because of the rapid development of land that historically has been some of Will County's most productive farmland, the County has engaged WJE to perform an intensive historic structures survey of existing farmsteads. The survey work began in Wheatland, Plainfield, and Lockport Townships in 1999. This was followed by surveys of nineteen other townships by WJE, most recently Will and Crete Townships in 2017.

To date, the survey has included over 9,000 structures on more than 1,800 active and former farmsteads. Structures such as farmhouses, barns, sheds, bins, silos, animal shelters, pump houses, smokehouses, and cellars have been included in the survey. Construction types ranged from circa 1840s stone houses and cellars to 1950s prefabricated silos and pole barns.

**SOLUTION**

WJE personnel have performed field survey work to identify active and former farmstead sites and to document historic structures. At each site, relevant data such as building materials and construction type were recorded, and all structures were documented with photographs. WJE has compiled the survey data using a Microsoft Access database and has prepared maps of the survey area using ArcGIS.

Historical research has included published county histories and directories, historical maps and atlases, historical aerial photography dating back to the 1930s, and records of local historical societies. WJE also reviewed a previous 1988 countywide survey to assess changes to the historic resources. The results of the survey and research were compiled into final written reports for each township, including context history and statements of significance on farmsteads of historical or architectural importance. WJE presented recommendations for individual landmarks, potential historic districts, and thematic designations to the Will County Historic Preservation Commission. The survey information was organized as archival-quality documentation for submission to Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.







## PROJECT PROFILE

# Blue Ridge Parkway Resource Survey

Architectural/Historical Survey and Documentation | Virginia and North Carolina



### CLIENT

National Park Service

### BACKGROUND

Construction of the Blue Ridge Parkway was begun in 1935 to connect Shenandoah National Park in Virginia with Great Smoky Mountains National Park in North Carolina. It is the longest planned roadway in the United States. The parkway winds for 469 miles along the crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

To comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the National Park Service initiated a historic resource survey of the Blue Ridge Parkway. The field survey included bridges, culverts, tunnels, and buildings as well as overlooks. The resulting report includes historical research, an evaluation of integrity and assessment of significance for each resource, and narrative historical contexts. The study area included the entire parkway, spanning two states and more than 1,000 individual resources.



### SOLUTION

The survey project began with the collection of existing published and electronic data related to the features to be surveyed. Surveys of several selected resources in the Asheville area were conducted to test and refine the survey methodology. Archival research was performed to support the development of historical contexts, significance assessment of individual resources, and preparation of the summary report.

The project team conducted site work to collect field data for NPS use and to support preparation of State Historic Preservation Office survey forms in Virginia and North Carolina for each resource identified. The project team identified resources that are unique, or are especially representative of a type or period and have high integrity, for more detailed survey and documentation. Each resource in the survey was documented with photographs. Following the survey of individual resources, the project team prepared an electronic spreadsheet containing the information collected from the survey.

The project team prepared a narrative summary of the inventory in the form of an illustrated report, including a description of the work conducted and study methodology, a historical context of the parkway, a synopsis of information pertaining to each resource, and a summary of major research findings.



PROJECT PROFILE

# Church of the Resurrection

Historic Resource Survey, HABS Documentation | West Chicago, IL



**CLIENT**

Forest Preserve District of DuPage County, IL

**BACKGROUND**

Constructed in 1963, the Church of the Resurrection was one of more than thirty church buildings designed by notable Chicago architect Edward Dart, its simple aesthetic representative of a new direction in church design that took place in the mid-twentieth century. The structure contained features characteristic of many of Dart's church designs, including an expansive hipped roof, use of Chicago common brick exposed on the exterior and interior, and a skylight located at the ridge of the roof directly over the chancel platform that allowed natural light to illuminate the altar. The simple geometric form is said to mimic a mill that once stood on the site.

The former Church of the Resurrection was located on a partially wooded site at the Blackwell Forest Preserve adjacent to the West Branch of the DuPage River in West Chicago, Illinois. The church was unoccupied and slated for demolition, when the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) requested further investigation to assist in assessing the eligibility of the structure for the National Register of Historic Places. WJE architects assisted the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County by preparing a historic resource survey of the church.

**SOLUTION**

WJE architects reviewed existing documentation and performed archival research, including research of architect Edward Dart's work. This research assisted in developing historic contexts that included the architecture of similar building types and the history and work of the architect, paying particular attention to other churches designed by Dart. WJE also documented the interior and exterior of the building to evaluate original architectural features, current conditions, historical significance, and integrity following National Register of Historic Places criteria and guidelines.

In addition to the historic resource survey, WJE coordinated with the IDNR to perform Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) documentation, which included preparation of measured archival drawings, large format photographs, and a contextual history narrative of the structure. The HABS documentation serves as a record of this interesting structure.





## PROJECT PROFILE

# Andersonville National Historic Park

Cultural Landscape Report and Monument Assessment | Andersonville, GA



### CLIENT

National Park Service

### BACKGROUND

Andersonville National Historic Site includes the Andersonville National Cemetery, Andersonville Prison site (Camp Sumter), and the National Prisoner of War Museum; together these sites contain landscape, structures, more than twenty-three major monuments, and numerous markers. The cemetery is the final resting place for those who perished while being held as prisoners of war at Andersonville during the Civil War. It is also now a National Cemetery, serving as an honored burial place for veterans from the Civil War through the present. In total, more than 19,500 monuments and markers are located in the cemetery.

The National Park Service (NPS) engaged WJE to prepare a Cultural Landscape Inventory (CLI) and a Cultural Landscape Report (CLR) for Andersonville National Historic Site. The CLI is a database containing information on historically significant landscapes in the National Park System. The CLR guides the preservation, protection, and interpretation of cultural resources and their settings. In addition, WJE recently completed a Historic Resource Study (HRS) for Andersonville National Historic Site.

### SOLUTION

For the CLI, key landscape components were documented and the evolution of landscape development analyzed; archival research and evaluation of site history supported determination of significance. A comparative analysis of the existing conditions and historic maps and photographs was used to define the type and concentration of historic resources remaining in the memorial landscape and the national cemetery, to determine the integrity of the cultural landscape.

The CLR expanded upon the inventory, significance, and integrity evaluations of site resources from the CLIs; provided recommendations for improvements to the condition of the site's resources and implementation of strategic planning efforts; documented character-defining features and surviving historic resources; and provided specific treatment recommendations and strategies for preservation. One of the most important surviving features of the prison landscape is the system of historic earthworks. To adequately address the needs of these fragile and sensitive resources, the CLR included earthworks management guidance in the form of best management practices.

The Historic Resource Study is a thematic narrative that establishes and addresses historic contexts relevant of the historic site, and provides management recommendations for preservation planning.

