



PRESERVATION ENGAGED

Celebrating Utah's Communities

PRESERVATION CONFERENCE • JUNE 13, 2025



WELCOME

With every great challenge comes great opportunity. As we look at the issues facing historic preservation in Utah during the first quarter of the 21st century, there are a lot of challenges. Rapidly increasing populations and development pressures from the housing crunch, an overwhelming number of Utahns and visitors exploring our public lands, budget justifications and cuts, and the ever-shifting priorities of lawmakers are some of those big issues. But, within these we see opportunity to forge new alliances with developers and planners to better understand how historic buildings fit within the greater solution to the crunch, to connect with visitors to teach principles of visiting with respect and growing awareness of the importance of cultural heritage on public lands, and to make thoughtful decisions around budget and policy priorities.

The Utah State Historic Preservation Office and Preservation Utah are hopeful about the future of Utah's historic places given the growing list of partners that crosscut traditional divides. Over the last year we have seen local main street communities collaborating with outdoor recreationalists to embrace future economic development strategies and private mining companies working with passionate volunteers to stabilize historic community assets. Despite our varied backgrounds, it is clear that most people love historic places and want to find ways to celebrate our rich history. It is our collective responsibility to help them find those pathways and to continually re-define what it means to be a "preservationist."

Our keynote, Tom Carter, has spent more than 40 years finding new and creative ways of sharing the grassroots and personal stories of local communities and their significance to the broader patterns of history which cut across traditional disciplinary camps. His seminal work on the villages and towns of Sanpete County stands as a lasting testament to the power of preservation at the local level.

MEET THE ORGANIZERS

Utah SHPO: The Utah State Historic Preservation Office works to identify, preserve, interpret, and promote the heritage of Utah and its people for future generations.

Preservation Utah: Preservation Utah works to keep the past alive, not only for preservation but to inspire and provoke a more creative present and sustainable future. We preserve, promote, and protect Utah's historic built environment and spaces through public awareness, advocacy, and active preservation.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Keynote Title: Going Local: How *Those People* Became *My People* and *My Book* Became *Our Book*

Nearly 50 years ago, Carter arrived in the Sanpete Valley to do the field research for his architectural dissertation at Indiana University in 1978-1979. He walked all the streets in all the valley's towns and his Sanpete Valley study became the first serious investigation of material life in the early Latter-day Saint western communities.

Carter was an outsider, but during that year, and then extending into the next few decades he was welcomed and befriended by everyone. Through archival research he got to know their parents and most importantly their grandparents and great grandparents. He knew these long dead people well, where they lived, what their houses were like, and what they valued in building their Zion in the mountains. Carter's story weaves together these histories and how the built environment conveys this important chapter in Utah's cultural history. It is a world we have lost, surely, but one that needs to be remembered.



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Thomas Carter

Professor Emeritus University of Utah

Professor Carter spent nearly 30 years teaching architecture and history in the University of Utah's College of Architecture and Planning. Before that, he worked for the Utah State Historic Preservation Office as both a surveyor and an architectural historian. Much of his initial work in the Sanpete Valley was supported by a contract with the Utah SHPO.



The Wasatch Academy

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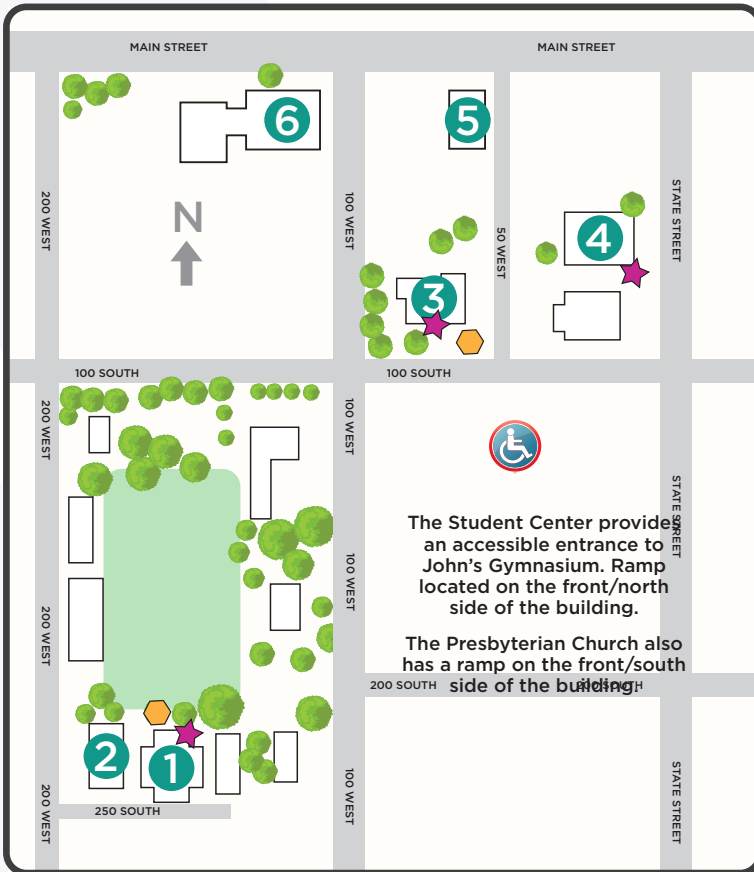
Founded by Presbyterian Reverend Duncan James McMillan in 1875, Wasatch Academy operated out of Liberal Hall, a building secured with funds from the Women's Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian Church of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. This served as

the school's primary building until 1891 when a new two-story brick structure was erected, marking a significant expansion. While the 1891 structure no longer remains, Liberal Hall still stands on nearby Main Street.

Over the decades, Wasatch Academy continued to grow and evolve into a non-sectarian institution, adding more buildings to accommodate its evolving needs. Each building reflects the architectural styles prevalent during its construction period, contributing to the campus's diverse architectural heritage. Numerous historic homes also belong to Wasatch Academy and are used as faculty housing by the school.

Today, Wasatch Academy is an independent boarding school that blends its historic structures with modern facilities. The campus showcases the school's commitment to preserving its past while providing a contemporary learning environment for its students. To learn more about the campus and its history and preservation, be sure to check out the "Preserving Wasatch Academy" session at 1:30pm and/or one of the Historic Campus Tours, offered at 8:30a.m. and 4:30p.m.

Thank you to Wasatch Academy for hosting the Preservation Engaged Conference this year!



Wasatch Academy Preservation Engaged Conference Map

- ① Student Center
 - ② John's Gymnasium
 - ③ Presbyterian Church
 - ④ Engineering Arts Center
 - ⑤ Historic Campus Walking Tours
 - ⑥ The History and Evolution of Downtown Mount Pleasant Walking Tour
-  Accessible Entrances
 -  Golf Cart Pickup

SCHEDULE

Time	Program	Track 1: Preservation
8:30a.m.–9:30a.m.		
9a.m.–10a.m.		
10a.m.–10:15a.m.	Welcome Amber Anderson and Dr. Anne-Evan Williams	
10:15a.m.–10:45a.m.	Keynote Going Local: How <i>Those People</i> Became <i>My People</i> and <i>My Book</i> Became <i>Our Book</i> Dr. Thomas Carter, Professor Emeritus University of Utah	
10:45a.m.–11a.m.		
11a.m.–12:30a.m.	Session 1	The Critical Partnership Between Law Enforcement, Public Volunteers and the Protection of Your Cultural Heritage
12:30p.m.–1:30p.m.		
1:30a.m.–3p.m.	Session 2	Preserving Wasatch Academy
3p.m.–3:15p.m.		
3:15p.m.–4:15p.m.	Session 3	Telling Stories Through the National Register
4:15p.m.–4:30p.m.		
4:30p.m.–5:30p.m.		

Track 2: Main Street and Presevation Planning	Track 3: Workshop and Tours
	Historic Campus Walking Tour
Registration	
Break	
Preservation Pathways: Navigating Zoning, Historic Building Codes, Planning, and Land Use Laws for Community Revitalization	The History & Evolution of Downtown Mount Pleasant Walking Tour
Lunch & Utah Main Street Awards (at Student Center)	
Investing in the Past, Building the Future: Collaborative Impact and Financing Solutions for Historic Preservation and Main Street Revitalization	Workshop: Historic Masonry Identification & Restoration
Break	
Community-Led Impact: Engaging Locals & Decision Makers to Build a Stronger Future	
Break	
	Historic Campus Walking Tour

TRACK 1: *PRESERVATION*

The Critical Partnership Between Law Enforcement, Public Volunteers, and the Preservation of your Cultural Heritage

Chase Pili, Tawny Myers, Lehi Lacy

When archaeological and culturally significant sites are damaged, artifacts are stolen and resources are left negatively impacted, those areas become a crime scene. The Utah Cultural Site Stewardship Program is focused on strengthening statewide partnerships with county, state and federal Law Enforcement. With over 400 volunteers statewide who donate their time to identify any of these impacts, there are more eyes on the ground than ever. Join the Utah Cultural Site Stewardship Program and several law enforcement officers to learn more about how site stewardship can play a critical role in the prevention of negative behavior and preservation of Utah's heritage.

11a.m. - 12:30p.m. | John's Gymnasium

Preserving Wasatch Academy

Craig Paulsen, Jim Berlin, Joe Loftin

Join Wasatch Academy's longtime headmaster, facilities manager, and preservation contractor on this journey through the campus' historical development, stewardship, and ultimately preservation. This session will dive into history, strategy, decision-making, fund-raising, and, of course, tangible examples of the physical preservation work that has been done over the last 50+ years.

1:30p.m. - 3p.m. | Presbyterian Church

Telling Stories through the National Register

Amy Reid, Adrienne White, Amanda Fountain-Scheureman

Pushing nearly 60 years old, the National Register of Historic Places is the veritable "who's who" of buildings, structures, objects, districts and sites in our nation's history. In the past year, this program has been leveraged to tell unique stories of Utah's history including Kit Carson's Cross, Spiral Jetty, and Abravental Hall. Join the authors of these nominations on a journey through the unique stories each of these places offers future generations.

3:15p.m. - 4:15p.m. | Presbyterian Church

TRACK 2: MAIN STREET

Preservation Pathways: Navigating Zoning, Historic Building Codes, Planning, and Land Use Laws for Community Revitalization

Rob Terry, Jansen Bennett, Chris Anderson, Evan Vickers

Discover the essential strategies for community and economic revitalization while preserving historic charm. This session will guide you through the complexities of zoning, historic building codes, planning, and land use laws. Gain practical insights and actionable tips on how to effectively manage these regulations to ensure your preservation and revitalization projects are successful. Learn from experienced professionals and uncover best practices to overcome common challenges, making your community vibrant and thriving.

11a.m. - 12:30p.m. | Presbyterian Church

Investing in the Past, Building the Future: Collaborative Impact and Financing Solutions for Historic Preservation and Main Street Revitalization

Jared Stewart, Sarah Mardell, Kelly Peterson, Alena Franco

This panel will provide a broad overview of innovative approaches to strengthening economic vitality in historic Main Street districts and individual historic buildings. Experts will showcase how anyone can successfully implement and finance revitalization projects, highlighting creative partnerships, funding sources, and practical tools. Topics include financing mechanisms, economic development tools, and actionable strategies for leveraging collaborations and financial resources to drive vitality. Designed for all audiences, these simple yet effective solutions empower community members to take action—no economic development expertise required.

1:30p.m. - 3p.m. | John's Gymnasium

Community-Led Impact: Engaging Locals & Decision Makers to Build a Stronger Future

Brandy Strand, Jenn Kikel-Lynn

Creating lasting change in a community starts with passionate individuals willing to bridge the gap between residents, businesses, and city leaders. This workshop will explore cultivating community-led impact by engaging a variety of voices, leveraging existing resources, and working with decision-makers to drive meaningful progress.

Using real-world lessons from Murray City's Main Street efforts, participants will learn how to:

- Navigate city processes and build strong relationships with municipal leaders.
- Empower business owners and residents to take an active role in shaping their community.
- Identify and fill gaps in local resources to support economic and historic revitalization.
- Leverage inter-generational knowledge from retirees and long-time community members to strengthen initiatives.

Whether you're a business owner, nonprofit leader, or passionate community member, this workshop will provide the tools and insights to turn ideas into action and build a future where the community leads the way.

3:15p.m. - 4:15p.m. | John's Gymnasium



TOUR 1

Historic Campus Walking Tours

Meeting Location: Liberal Hall, 67 W Main Street **see map on page 4*

Start Time: 8:30a.m. and 4:30p.m.

Wasatch Academy's Director of Development Sarah Bailey and Facilities Manager Aaron Hooper will be giving walking tours of the historic campus. These tours will last roughly an hour and will explore the historical development of the campus, interesting building projects, and provide entry to a number of historic buildings. Tours will start promptly at the posted time and do not require pre-registration.



TOUR 2

The History & Evolution of Downtown Mount Pleasant

Meeting Location: 115 W Main Street **see map on page 4*

Start Time: 11a.m.

Join Mount Pleasant Main Street Coordinator Christian Clarke, Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area Director Monte Bona, and Historic Preservation Consultant Roger Roper on a walking tour of Mount Pleasant's downtown historic district. Learn about its historical development as well as the programs and projects that have shaped it over the past five decades. The district was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1979 and is currently being resurveyed to update boundaries and building evaluations. This project will be discussed while highlighting historic establishments such as Liberal Hall, City Hall, and Rodger's Dairy Freez. Tour will start promptly at 11a.m. and does not require pre-registration.



WORKSHOP

Historic Masonry Identification & Restoration

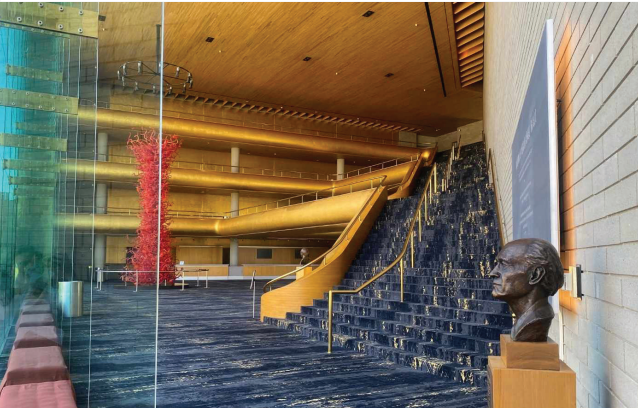
Location: Engineering Arts Center **see map on page 4*

Time: 1:30p.m.-4:15p.m.

Join us for an engaging, hands-on workshop led by experienced preservation professionals. This workshop will cover:

- The key characteristics of brick, stone, and mortar used in historic buildings
- Identifying types of historic masonry
- How to assess and diagnose common masonry issues
- Best practices for cleaning, repairing, and maintaining historic masonry
- The importance of using compatible materials to ensure long-term preservation
- Practical skills for working with traditional materials

Participants will have the opportunity to work directly with historic materials and test techniques for repointing, patching, and stabilizing masonry elements. Whether you're a preservation enthusiast, homeowner, or professional, this workshop will provide valuable insights into responsible historic masonry care. Registration is not required.



SPEAKERS



Chris Anderson

Mayor
Spring City

Chris Anderson is a business attorney and past Chair of the Board of Preservation Utah. About 19 years ago, Chris and his wife, Alison purchased a prominent but dilapidated historic property in Spring City, and worked to bring it back to life. They have since become heavily involved in Spring City community life, working with Spring City Arts to promote the local artists and their work, and with Friends of Historic Spring City as it completed the restoration of the Old Spring City Elementary School and repurposed it as the Spring City Hall and Community Center. They are now working with the City on the restoration of the old Junior High School, located east of the City Hall, which is now housing the Spring City Arts gallery. Chris served a term on the Spring City Council and has just completed the third year of his four year term as Spring City Mayor.



Sarah Bailey

Director of Development and Alumni Relations
Wasatch Academy

Sarah joined Wasatch Academy in July 2023 and oversees all aspects of development and alumni relations. Shortly after joining, she also took on the unofficial role of school historian, helping to preserve and share the rich legacy of Wasatch Academy. Her background is in humanitarian philanthropy, where she has worked to create meaningful impact through fundraising and community engagement. She is passionate about building strong connections and fostering a culture of generosity and support.



Jansen Bennett

Preservation Architect
Utah State Historic Preservation Office

Jansen Bennett is the preservation architect with the Utah State Historic Preservation Office. He loves delving into the nitty gritty details of historic buildings and assisting with the daunting task of fixing them. Jansen received a Master of Architecture degree and Historic Preservation Certificate at the University of Washington after studying Business Administration and Art at Weber State University. With over a decade of experience, he enjoys the challenges and rewards of preserving our built heritage. When not exploring the intricacies of historic structures, Jansen can be found baking delicious treats, immersing himself in a good book, or chasing after his two energetic children.



Jim Berlin

Facilities Manager, Campus Fire Marshal
Wasatch Academy

Jim was born in Rochester, Minnesota. His family moved around the state for his father's company which was North Western Bell Telephone company. In 1969 he moved to Utah because he always wanted to live in the West. He worked in all phases of building construction most of his life. He worked for small builders and huge corporations, mainly as a carpenter and in project management. He was involved with building housing, schools, national parks, and lodges. He worked for Wasatch Academy for over 30 years and was very involved in the restoration of the older buildings, eight houses, and construction of new ones. He is now retired.

SPEAKERS



Monte Bona

Director
Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area
Mt. Pleasant Community Development and Renewal Agency,
Mt. Pleasant Local Building Authority

Monte Bona is the Director of the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area, Mt. Pleasant Community Development and Renewal Agency, and the Mt. Pleasant Local Building Authority. A longtime advocate for historic preservation and community development, he served on the Mt. Pleasant City Council for 20 years, helping to shape the region's growth.

His contributions have been recognized with awards from the Utah Heritage Foundation, Utah Division of State History, Six County AOG, National Association of Development Organizations, and the prestigious Pioneer of Progress Award.



Thomas Carter

Professor Emeritus
University of Utah

Professor Carter spent nearly 30 years teaching architecture and history in the University of Utah's College of Architecture and Planning. Before that, he worked for the Utah State Historic Preservation Office as both a surveyor and an architectural historian. Much of his initial work in the Sanpete Valley was supported by a contract with the Utah SHPO.



Christian Clarke

Coordinator
Mt. Pleasant Main Street Program

Christian Clarke is the Mt. Pleasant Main Street Coordinator and Associate Director of the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area (MPNHA). Previously, he was the Utah Main Street Coordinator, working statewide on historic preservation and economic development.

With experience in grants, development projects, and community revitalization, he supports local businesses and public spaces while preserving heritage. He has a background in art, design, digital technology, and machine learning, bringing innovative problem-solving to his work.

Christian formerly owned and operated a community center and art gallery in Chicago, fostering creative and cultural initiatives. Originally from Utah, he is also a foster parent, balancing community development with family life.



Jeff Eakle

Owner
Accent Stone Carving LLC

Jeff Eakle is a stone carver, sculptor, and limestone specialist with extensive experience in stone and brick masonry restoration. He holds a Master's in Historical Building Restoration. His notable projects include work on French landmarks like Versailles and Notre Dame, as well as the Manti Tabernacle and the Salt Lake City Capitol. Since 2020, Jeff owns Accent Stone Carving LLC, continuing his passion for stone artistry and restoration in the Salt Lake City area and beyond.

SPEAKERS



Amanda Fountain

Historian
Logan Simpson

Amanda Fountain is a public historian with over 10 years of experience consulting throughout the Great Basin and American West. Amanda is a historian for Logan Simpson, a multidiscipline consulting group that collaborates with public and private entities throughout the Western United States. Amanda's work includes NRHP nominations, public history website development, architectural surveys, and ethnographies. Amanda also leads Black in Utah, which utilizes oral histories to explore the history and lives of Black Utahns.



Alena Franco

CLG Coordinator
Utah State Historic Preservation Office

Alena Franco is the Certified Local Government Coordinator for the Utah State Historic Preservation Office. As a dedicated advocate for historic preservation, she has managed federal and state grant programs that support the preservation and rehabilitation of cultural resources throughout Utah's many communities. She believes that every community's unique history is worth preserving, and encourages local governments to preserve their heritage through strategic grant management and community engagement.



Aaron Hooper

Facilities Manager
Wasatch Academy

Aaron has over thirty years of construction experience. He is a journeyman ironworker and a journeyman carpenter. He spent twenty years in historic restoration working for Paulsen Construction. He worked on most of the buildings at Wasatch Academy and many other historic buildings throughout the state. He is also a knifemaker.



Jenn Kikel-Lynn

Principal Broker, Owner
The Give Back Brokerage

Jenn Kikel-Lynn is a heart-centered entrepreneur, nonprofit founder, business coach, and community connector. As the Owner and Principal Broker of K Real Estate, "The Give Back Brokerage," she leads a philanthropic real estate brokerage dedicated to making a difference.

Passionate about giving back, Jenn is the founder of two nonprofits. The FMK Foundation, created in memory of her parents, raises funds and awareness for suicide prevention and mental health. She also founded Murray City Downtown District, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and official Main Street affiliate dedicated to revitalizing the heart of her hometown of Murray, Utah, with the support of city officials and the community.

In addition to her real estate and nonprofit leadership work, Jenn co-created Give Back & Connect, a LinkedIn networking group with over 9,100 members nationwide. The group fosters connections between businesses and nonprofits through virtual networking and resource sharing. Jenn remains committed to building stronger, more connected communities through all her ventures.

SPEAKERS



Lehi Lacy

San Juan County Sheriff
San Juan County Sheriff's Office

Lehi has been in Law Enforcement for the last 20 years. He started as a correctional deputy in the San Juan County Jail, and later he was assigned to the patrol division. His duties were Search and Rescue Commander, DT instructor, and Drug/Alcohol prevention educator. After 9 years, he was hired by Blanding City Police, and worked for 5 years with them. He was then hired to be a case manager for the Utah Department of Corrections. He was elected Sheriff in 2022, and took office in 2023.



Joe Loftin

Former Head of Wasatch Academy (32 years)
Wasatch Academy

A career educator, Joe Loftin was employed at Wasatch Academy from 1986 to 2022, serving as the Head of School from 1988 to 2020. As Head of School he oversaw dramatic enrollment growth, campus expansion and facilities construction and restoration that occurred during his 32 year leadership of the school. In 2019, Joe cofounded the Global Culture Education Initiative (GCEI) a non profit educational organization based in Atlanta, Georgia that builds secondary school student work groups that globally network in addressing the impact of climate change in their communities. Currently, Joe serves on the GCEI Board.



Sarah Mardell

Owner
Mardell Kitchen Inc.

Founded by Co-Owners, Jason and Sarah Mardell, is a restaurant and catering company with an established reputation for high-quality, All-American food and deli-style cuisine. We offer custom, hassle-free catering solutions in the greater Sanpete County area. Our focus is supporting locals by creating jobs and commerce for rural main street, including restoring historic buildings into the restaurants they are today.



Tawny Myers

Patrol Captain
USDA Forest Service

Tawny Myers has worked for the Forest Service for 22 years, 21 in Law Enforcement. She loves patrolling our natural resources and protecting them and the users of the National Forest. Her firm belief is that preservation of our natural resources and history is a top priority because if we don't preserve and protect them today, there will be nothing for future generations to enjoy.

SPEAKERS



Kelly Peterson

EVP Executive Director
Real Estate Banking Group for Zion

Mr. Peterson currently serves as Executive Director of the Real Estate Banking Group for Zions Bank, managing the Bank's commercial real estate loan origination and portfolio management throughout Utah and Idaho. Over his 35-year career, he has managed the origination of over \$7 Billion in CRE loans.

He has been active on the boards of community and trade organizations including the Nevada Community Reinvestment Corporation, the UNLV LEID Institute of Real Estate Studies, and Nevada's Affordable Housing Resource Center. He currently serves on the Advisory Board of the Ivory Boyer Real Estate Center and as an advisor on the Board of Utah Association of Counties.



Craig Paulsen

General Contractor
Paulsen Construction

A third generation contractor who personally worked on many historic preservation projects over his 50 year career. Paulsen Construction is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year. Craig oversaw significant projects such as most of the building projects for Wasatch Academy over a 25 year period, over 50

projects in Spring City, restoration of the Devereaux Mansion, 3 projects at the Governor's Mansion, restorations of 3 buildings at Fort Douglas for the 2001 Winter Olympics, numerous projects at This is the Place State Park in the 1990's.

Craig continues as a volunteer for Spring City as the City Zoning Administrator. Also Craig was a past recipient of the Lucy Beth Rampton Award from the Utah Heritage Foundation.

The first Heritage Foundation award went to Wasatch Academy in 2002 for Alice Dormitory. Wasatch Academy had several awards after that.



Chase Pili

Law Enforcement Captain
Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Division

Chase Pili is a proud Native Utahn, raised in the heart of Utah, Sanpete County. Growing up in Rural Utah, he developed a passion for its trails and waterways. With a passion for both outdoor recreation and public service, Chase has dedicated 12 years of his career to law enforcement, working with the Utah State Parks, the Utah Division of Outdoor Recreation, and the Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Division.

Driven by a strong desire to educate and protect those enjoying the outdoors, Chase now serves as Captain of the newly established Law Enforcement Division within the Department of Natural Resources. In this role, he oversees the administrative operations and the aquatic invasive species programs. Chase is deeply committed to supporting his fellow officers, ensuring they have the support needed to protect Utah's natural resources.



Amy Reid

Associate Landscape Architect
Salt Lake City Corporation

Amy is an Associate Landscape Architect for Salt Lake City working on Parks and Natural Lands projects. She is currently the project manager for Allen Park, a 7+ acre historic park rehabilitation project. In 2024, Amy was the Danette Gentile Kauffman Cultural Landscape Fellow with the Cultural Landscape Foundation. Her fellowship focused on researching, photographing, and writing about dozens of Seattle's cultural landscapes. Amy received her M.L.A. from Utah State University while working part-time as a Landscape Historian for Kirk Huffaker Preservation Strategies. Her thesis culminated in the listing of Robert Smithson's iconic Spiral Jetty in the National Register of Historic Places.

SPEAKERS



Roger Roper

Historic Preservation Consultant

Roger Roper has been involved in historic preservation since 1980, including many years with the Utah and Oregon State Historic Preservation Offices, plus several years in the private and university sectors. His goal is to help property owners and communities make the most of their historic structures and sites. He

currently lives in Mt. Pleasant in an 1861 adobe house, and he is involved in the city's historic preservation and Main Street programs. He is also affiliated with Wasatch Academy, a National Register Historic District and private boarding school located in the heart of the community since 1875.



Jared Stewart

Senior Business Development Manager

EDCUtah (Economic Development Corporation of Utah)

Jared contracts with city and county governments to oversee recruitment and expansion efforts across the energy, data center, and manufacturing sectors. Before joining EDCUtah, Jared worked for 8 years as a municipal economic development director and urban planner. He built and led comprehensive

economic development efforts at both the city and county levels. Jared helped launch preservation efforts on Tooele City's main street. He brought in grant funding for preservation and other community improvements.

Outside of work, Jared enjoys cycling, skiing, rock climbing, and reading. He volunteers on the Salt Lake City Historic Landmark Commission and admires architecture.



Brandy Strand

Executive Director
Preservation Utah

Brandy Strand grew up in the Rose Park and Glendale area and is a first-generation college graduate from the University of Utah with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and a Bachelor of Science in Sociology with an emphasis on cultural diversity. Throughout her career, Brandy has served in nonprofits that serve the entire state of Utah, focusing on under-resourced and underserved communities. She has honed her skills in nonprofit management with special attention given to sound management practices focused on long-term sustainability and community building. Brandy joined Preservation Utah in July 2023 as the Executive Director. She and her spouse have one rescue dog named Vader and enjoy camping and traveling whenever possible!



Robyn Taylor-Granda

Historic Properties Programs Manager
Preservation Utah

Robyn joined Preservation Utah as the Historic Properties Programs Manager in October 2023 after a 20+ year career in architecture and engineering. Her passion for preservation developed during her childhood in rural Massachusetts that led her to pursue a B.S. in Architectural Studies with Emphasis in Historic Preservation in 1997 at the University of Utah. She has embraced the opportunity of working with Preservation Utah to encourage protection, advocacy and education about Utah's historic resources.

SPEAKERS



Rob Terry

Statewide Land Use Training Director
Office of the Property Rights Ombudsman

Rob Terry is the Statewide Land Use Training Director for the State of Utah, housed within the Office of the Property Rights Ombudsman. His efforts are focused on coordinating land use training and planning resource assistance with and between the many agencies and stakeholders throughout the state. During his nearly twenty-year career, Rob has served in technical and management roles at the state, regional, and local levels of government, with his primary focus on services within rural areas.

As an undergrad, he attended Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, majoring in City and Regional Planning, and Utah Valley University, majoring in Public Service Management. He holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Troy University and is AICP accredited.



Evan Vickers

State Senator
Utah Senate

Sen. Evan Vickers, a lifelong Southern Utah resident, was born in Panguitch and raised in Beaver. A University of Utah College of Pharmacy graduate, he owns multiple businesses in Cedar City and Richfield. Elected to public office in 1987, he has served in the Utah Senate since 2012. He currently chairs the Senate Business and Labor Committee. An advocate for small businesses and rural issues, he enjoys golf, hunting, and family time with his wife, Chris, their five children, 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Adrienne White

Founder & CEO
House Genealogy

Adrienne White is a professional historian, researcher, and preservationist based in Salt Lake City. Founder and CEO of House Genealogy, she specializes in researching historic properties in Utah and beyond. She handles projects including National Register of Historic Places nominations, historic tax credit applications, and comprehensive house histories. She serves as a commissioner on SLC's Historic Landmark Commission and is currently authoring the biography of preservationist Florence Smith Jacobsen. Adrienne aims to help people feel deeply connected to their spaces through her research.



Anne-Evan Williams

Head of School
Wasatch Academy

Dr. Williams is the Head of School for Wasatch Academy. She came to Wasatch from New York City, where she served as an interim Senior Director in education. She was previously head of school at Billings Middle School in Seattle, WA and at The Ridgewood School in Springfield, Ohio.

Before becoming a head of school, Anne-Evan taught high school and middle school English; was an educational specialist and oversaw all product development, research studies and marketing initiatives at an educational software firm; directed graduate students in a summer literacy program and school-year internships; and was the founding site coordinator for an after-school program for literacy through science education. In short, Dr. Williams' career has spanned every school level, from early childhood to graduate studies.

THANKS FOR COMING

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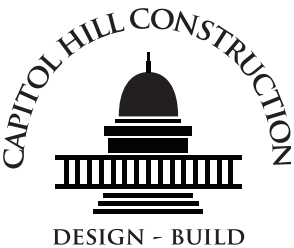
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We'd love to hear from you again! Tell us what's working, what's not, and what you hope to see at future events. Scan the QR code or visit the link to start providing feedback from an attendee perspective now. (But don't worry, we'll follow up with a reminder email after the conference as well! We'll also send separate surveys for speaker and volunteer feedback.)



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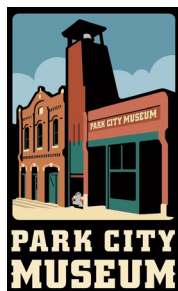
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