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US/ICOMOS at Work

October 2021 E-News

2021 Virtual Symposium and Conference
Preserving World Heritage in a Changing Climate
28-29 October, 1-5 pm EDT each day

Welcome to "US/ICOMOS at Work," a monthly update on US/ICOMOS actions to preserve and promote world heritage and international knowledge exchange on preservation topics. We share these brief communications monthly with our members and supporters.

— LATEST NEWS & EVENTS —

[Register](#) for the **US/ICOMOS 2021 International Symposium and Conference: 28-29 October Online**



Climate change is the most pressing issue of our times. [Register now](#) to join us online to learn about climate change effects, impacts and interventions at World Heritage Sites. Each day will feature a keynote presentation followed by thematic presentations and discussions. A complete list of speakers is available on our website at the link below.

Day One

Thursday 28 October, 1-5 pm EDT

Assessing and Managing Climate Change Impacts at World Heritage Sites

Day Two

Friday, 29 October, 1-5 pm EDT

Using Traditional Cultural Knowledge and Climate Justice to Mitigate Climate Change Effects



Monuments Toolkit

Your Assistance Needed: Monument Relocation, Removal, and Reinterpretation Toolkit Work Begins

US/ICOMOS announced on September 28th that we received [a \\$1 Million grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to support the development of a Monument Relocation, Removal, and Reinterpretation Toolkit \("Monuments Toolkit"\)](#). Work has already begun and we need your assistance in our search for:

1. **Advisory Panel Recommendations:** the Advisory Panel will provide guidance and support for staff hired to undertake this project. It will be composed of subject matter experts, long-standing and well-known professionals in the heritage sector, regional experts, and thought leaders. If you would like to recommend a candidate to serve on the Monuments Toolkit Advisory Panel, please email your recommendation to [monumentstoolkit \[at\] usicomos.org](mailto:monumentstoolkit[at]usicomos.org).
2. **Monuments Toolkit Program Director:** US/ICOMOS seeks a full-time (40 hours/week) Program Director for a two-year appointment to manage the Monuments Removal, Relocation, and Reinterpretation Toolkit Project. The Program Director will be responsible for collaborating with the US/ICOMOS Monuments Team to oversee all aspects of the US/ICOMOS Monuments Project. **The application deadline for the Program Director position is October 30, 2021.**
3. **Monuments Toolkit Media and Marketing Program Assistant:** full-time (40 hours/week) Program Assistant for a two-year appointment. The Media and Marketing Program Assistant will focus their work on creating digital content for the Monuments Project and develop public-facing programming.
4. **Monuments Toolkit Publications, Research, and Administration Program Assistant:** full-time (40 hours/week) Program Assistant for a two-year appointment. The Publications, Research and Administration Assistant US/ICOMOS seeks a full-time (40 hours/week) Program Assistant will oversee the written publications and research for the Monuments Toolkit program.
5. **Part-Time Monuments Toolkit Program Assistant:** Three part-time Program Assistants will be hired in the DC area and remotely from locations around the country to work approximately 20 hours per week on the project, conducting research, writing and other tasks. These two will be two-year appointments.

Please share this information with your colleagues. Thank you!

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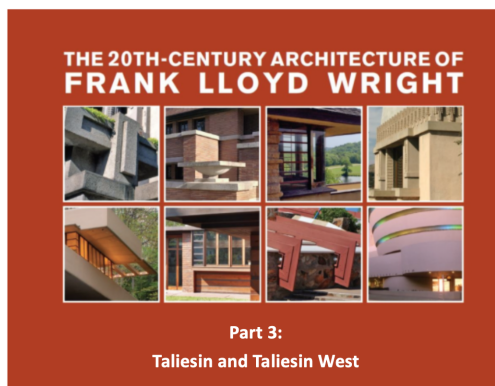
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Frank Lloyd Wright and World Heritage in the United States: Taliesin and Taliesin West

Part Three in a series about "The 20th-Century Architecture of Frank Lloyd Wright" World Heritage listing.



"The 20th-Century Architecture of Frank Lloyd Wright" World Heritage listing includes two of the architect's personal residences and architecture studios: Taliesin in Spring Green, Wisconsin, and Taliesin West in Scottsdale, Arizona. Designed, constructed and reconstructed over decades beginning in 1911 (Taliesin) and 1938 (Taliesin West), the two sites embody Wright's career-long development of an organic modern architecture intimately connected to landscape. Both sites are owned and stewarded by the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation, which maintains and preserves the buildings at Taliesin and Taliesin West, along with Wright's intellectual property.

Continue reading to learn more about why these sites were included in the serial World Heritage listing and how to visit them or participate in their programming.

[Read about Taliesin and Taliesin West](#)

— OF NOTE —

Hispanic Heritage and the International Underground Railroad



INTERNATIONAL UNDERGROUND RAILROAD STORIES

"Sometimes someone would come 'long and try to get us to run up North and be free. We used to laugh at that. There wasn't no reason to run up North. All we had to do was to walk, but walk South. And we'd be free as soon as we crossed the Rio Grande."

Felix Haywood, WPA Interview, 1937

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October 15th was the last day of Hispanic Heritage Month, a month dedicated to celebrating Hispanic and Latinx communities and culture. The Underground Railroad has a host of connections to Hispanic and Latinx History, as Felix Haywood explains in the quote at left.

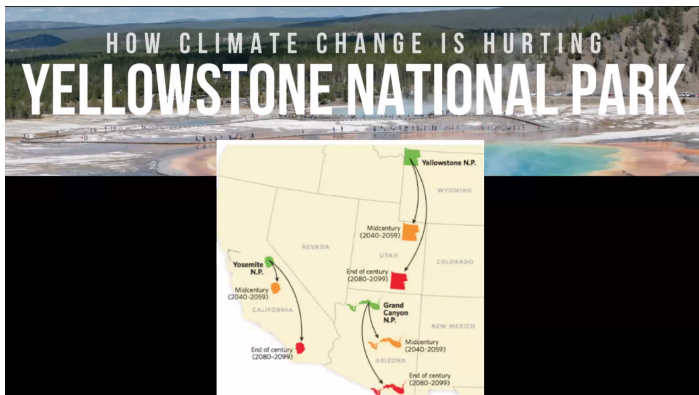
Born in Texas to enslaved parents, Felix Haywood had an intimate understanding of the Underground Railroad Movement in Texas and Mexico.

Even though Haywood did not escape to Mexico himself, he knew individuals who self-liberated by traveling across the Rio Grande to Mexico. Many nations around the world are connected to Underground Railroad history. If you know of additional stories where

enslaved individuals self-liberated internationally, consider entering them in US/ICOMOS's International Underground Railroad Mapping Project. To participate, follow the link below.

Learn More and Contribute Your Knowledge

In Case You Missed It: Yellowstone World Heritage Webinar



The Billings Gazette of Billings, Montana, published an article on October 3, 2021, about Yellowstone National Park Superintendent Cam Sholly's discussion of climate change and other challenges facing the park in our September 2021 World Heritage Webinar. [Read the article "Dry summer emphasizes threat of climate change to Yellowstone National Park" by Brett French here.](#) The article also addresses the reintroduction of

wolves and other predators into the park's ecosystem as presented by Senior Wildlife Biologist, Doug Smith. [A description of the Yellow webinar and a link to its video recording can be found here.](#)

To learn more about climate change at World Heritage Sites in the United States and around the world, be sure to [register for our International Symposium and Conference](#) being held virtually 28-29 October.

Tribal Program in Grand Canyon to Elevate Native Perspectives

Grand Canyon National Park has announced plans to develop interpretive and economic opportunities for the many tribes that call the Canyon home. [Read more here](#) and watch our May 2021 World Heritage Webinar "[Showcasing Tribal Cultural Heritage at Grand Canyon](#)."

PRESERVATION PRIORITIES TASK FORCE



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Resources for Key Preservation Issues in the United States

The Preservation Priorities Task Force is a group of preservation advocates from across the country who came together to develop a series of publications on key issues facing the preservation movement. These Issue Briefs cover the following topics:

- Affordable housing and density
- Diversity, inclusion, and racial justice
- Preservation trades and workforce development
- Sustainability and climate action

Preservation organizations and advocates are encouraged to use the Issue Briefs in any number of ways—as guides for discussions with community leaders and stakeholders, background for outreach to potential partners, support materials for fundraising efforts, and more. Next up: specific tools and resources over the coming year. The task force was organized by the National Preservation Partners Network and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Learn more. www.preservationpriorities.org

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