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HOW FAR WOULD YOU GO TO FIND A BETTER LIFE?

Thousands of Asian/Pacific Islanders immigrated to Washington in the late 1800s for the promise of the American dream. They came for themselves and their descendants—**COME EXPERIENCE THEIR STORIES.**

The Washington Trust for Historic Preservation invites you to join high school students and teachers from all over the state for a 4-day field school in Seattle's Chinatown/International District and across the Puget Sound.

APPLY NOW: preservewa.org/DiscoverWashingtonYHP.aspx

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Full scholarships covering lodging, meals, programming, and travel during YHP activities will be awarded to all accepted applicants. Participants are responsible for their own travel to and from downtown Seattle, but additional scholarship funds may be available for travel assistance. Don't miss this great chance to learn about the cultural heritage of Washington!

APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 18

Questions? CONTACT: Jennifer Mortensen • jmortensen@preservewa.org • 206-624-9449



DISCOVER HOW YOU CAN MAKE A LASTING IMPACT THROUGH CULTURAL STEWARDSHIP AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

WHAT IS YHP?

Discover Washington: Youth Heritage Project (YHP) is a 4-day interactive field school that engages high school students and teachers by connecting them to historic, cultural, and natural resources. YHP is designed to introduce the topics of preservation and stewardship to a younger generation in order to cultivate future leaders in the preservation movement to save the places that matter in Washington State.

The program works to achieve four primary objectives:

- connect youth and teachers to historic places and landscapes;
- engage students in historic preservation and conservation activities;
- expand tools to support teachers' educational efforts around the built and natural environment; and
- excite the next generation of advocates and stewards of our natural and historic resources.



WHAT'S HAPPENING FOR YHP 2014?

The location and study topics for YHP change annually: in 2014, YHP will take place primarily in Seattle's Chinatown/International District (C-ID). The program will also feature excursions to nearby Port Gamble and Bainbridge Island to visit additional sites related to the history of Asian and Pacific Islander Americans in the Pacific Northwest. The program will address several historic topics including immigration, working and making a life in a new country, maintaining cultural roots, incarceration during World War II, and the importance of preserving cultural and heritage resources that tell these stories.

Participants will be engaged through a variety of activities designed to help them develop their own ideas for historic preservation strategies and promoting cultural awareness. Planned program sites include:

- Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience
- The former U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service Building
- Panama Hotel
- Nidoto Nai Yoni Memorial on Bainbridge Island



Nidoto Nai Yoni Memorial, photo by Otto Greule Photography

Panama Hotel, photo by Otto Greule Photography

Wing Luke Museum, photo by Otto Greule Photography

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND YHP?

YHP engages participants hands-on as they actively expand their knowledge of conservation, preservation, the built environment, and community. Participants will come away with a better understanding of the connection and interdependency of cultural resources, how they relate to the economy, and how they affect a community. They are asked to develop their own ideas about why preservation matters, causing a deeper sense of introspection about what heritage and history means.

A key component and desired outcome of Discover Washington: Youth Heritage Project is for participants to take the knowledge, interest and excitement for preservation and conservation fostered by the program back to their own communities. The program seeks to inspire the next generation of preservation leaders to become stewards of our precious historic and natural resources. Most importantly, students will learn through YHP that the future of any community is the result of deliberate strategies, actions and choices and that they can be a part of shaping their own communities through their own participation and activism.



Former U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service Building, photo by Otto Greule Photography

Participant Application

Discover Washington: Youth Heritage Project
in Seattle's Chinatown/International District

Seattle • July 9-12, 2014



Name: _____

Student

Grade: _____ Date of Birth (mm/yy): _____ / _____

School: _____

Teacher/Mentor

Grades/subjects taught or area of expertise: _____

School or Affiliation: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Best way to reach you? _____

Have you participated in YHP before? Yes No *If yes, which year(s)?* _____

How did you hear about YHP? _____

Each year we receive more applications than we can accept. Participants will be selected based on their thoughtful and thorough answers to the following questions. (You may use one continuation sheet.)

Why are you interested in participating in Discover Washington: Youth Heritage Project in Seattle's Chinatown/International District?

Have you been involved in working to save an important historic building, conserve a natural area in your community, and/or preserve your cultural heritage? If not, are you interested in becoming engaged in this kind of work? Why?

What places are important to you and why? (In Washington and beyond.)

Why is history an important topic to study? In your opinion, what is the best way to learn history?

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Statement of Commitment

Please sign the statement of commitment below, or, if completing the form electronically, type your name and check the box confirming your electronic signature.

I understand that if accepted to **2014 Discover Washington: Youth Heritage Project**, I will be responsible for attending all YHP events and activities as well as disseminating information about YHP to my school and community. If under 18, I confirm that my parent(s) or guardian(s) are aware of my application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I understand that typing my name and the date serves as an electronic signature.

Please return by Friday, April 18, 2014 via email to jmortensen@preservewa.org or via mail to Washington Trust for Historic Preservation, 1204 Minor Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101.

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