

**Society for History in the Federal Government
Invites Nominations For the
2017 John Wesley Powell Prize
(Historic Exhibit or Display Projects)**

The Powell Prize commemorates the explorer and federal administrator whose work demonstrated early recognition of the importance of historic preservation and historical display.

The John Wesley Powell Prize alternates annually in recognizing excellence in the fields of historic preservation and historical displays. In 2017, the prize will be awarded to either an individual or to principal collaborators for a single major historic display or exhibit project completed in 2015 or 2016. The award for historic display is given for any form of interpretive historical presentation including, but not limited to, museum exhibits, historical films, CD/DVDs, websites, or multi-media displays. The winner will be announced in the spring of 2017 at the annual meeting of the SHFG.

Eligible Entrants

- Any agency or unit of the federal government
- Nongovernmental organizations, including federal contractors, for eligible activities on behalf of a unit of the federal government
- Members of the Society for History in the Federal Government

Criteria for Evaluation

- Exemplary model for future federal activity
- Significant value in furthering history in and of the federal government
- A high level of technical expertise in the design
- Excellence and thoroughness of historical research
- Appropriate application of historical research to the exhibit or product
- Innovative strategies or techniques

Submission Requirements

The award is made solely on the basis of the materials submitted to the Powell Prize Committee. All nominations must be submitted in electronic format, using MS Word or PDF format that can be viewed on standard equipment. Supplemental hard copies are acceptable. Applications may be submitted via CD/DVD or thumb drive. All submissions must include the following information:

- Name of the nominated project or activity
- Project contact person(s) name, address, telephone number, and e-mail
- Name of the nominator, if different from the contact person, and the nominator's address, telephone number, and e-mail
- A description of the project or activity, including discussion of its scope and purpose and the names of any co-sponsors (one thousand words or less)
- A discussion of how the project addresses the evaluation criteria.
- Supporting visual materials of key aspects of the activity or project, appropriately labeled. These materials may include:
 1. CDs, DVDs
 2. Photographs (digital or supplemental hard copies);
 3. Other media such as plans, elevations, brochures, or newsclips.
- All submitted material becomes the property of SHFG.

Submission of Entries and Deadline

Please send a complete copy of each nomination to each of the committee members below no later than **November 30, 2016**. Materials should be mailed via FedEx or similar courier so that submissions can be tracked by the sender and recipient if necessary. Applicants may email questions to committee members but must not email application materials.

1. Liz Petrella, National Park Service, Technical Preservation Services, 1201 Eye Street, NW, 6th floor, Washington, DC 20005, or liz_petrella@nps.gov
2. Lou Ann Speulda-Drews, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1340 Financial Blvd, Suite 234, Reno, NV 89502 or louann_speulda-drews@fws.gov
3. Virginia Parks, Cultural Resources Team, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 20555 SW Gerda Lane, Sherwood, OR 97140 or Virginia_parks@fws.gov

Further information on awards presented by the Society for History in the Federal Government is available at <http://shfg.org/shfg/awards/awards-requirements/>