

Gabriel Ozuna, Historic Preservation Officer  
Hidalgo County Historical Commission

Dear Gabe,

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) appreciates your interest in the Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant Program. We are pleased to inform you that two (2) travel stipends for representatives from the Hidalgo County Historical Commission, totaling \$2,400, were approved for funding by the THC at its April 8 quarterly meeting.

These travel stipends support attendance at the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) FORUM 2026 Conference, which will take place in Minneapolis, Minnesota, from July 22–26, 2026. Participation in FORUM helps Texas CLGs fulfill the continuing education requirements outlined in their Certification Agreement with the THC.

We will distribute the travel stipend grant contract via Adobe Sign shortly for execution. To help expedite the process, please reply to this email with the following

- The name(s) of your CLG's FORUM 2026 attendees (to be included in the grant contract budget)
- The name and email address of the individual authorized to sign the contract on behalf of the CLG
- Any special routing instructions for Adobe Sign (e.g., whether the document should be sent to the HPO or City Secretary for internal routing or directly to the signatory)

Please note that travel stipends are reimbursable only to the CLG. Individual attendees are responsible for paying their expenses up front and seeking reimbursement from the CLG, after which the CLG may request reimbursement from the THC. For additional details on eligible and ineligible expenses, please refer to the original travel stipend application. Conference registration is not an eligible expense and must be covered by the CLG or the individual attendee.

Thank you for your continued participation in the CLG Program and your commitment to professional development in historic preservation. We look forward to seeing you at FORUM 2026. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact me at 512-463-7812 or [kelly.little@thc.texas.gov](mailto:kelly.little@thc.texas.gov).

Best wishes,



Kelly Little  
State Coordinator, Certified Local Government Program

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# FORUM 2026: PRESERVATION CURRENTS

## Schedule At-A- Glance

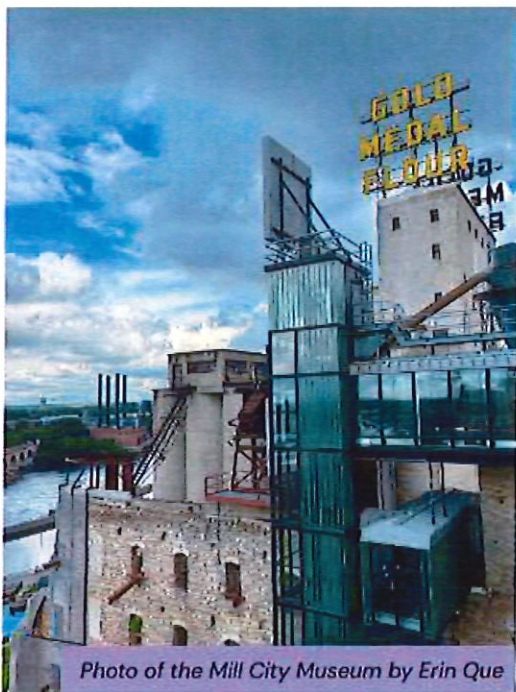


Photo of the Mill City Museum by Erin Que

### Wednesday, July 22, 2026

- Pre-Conference Programming (NAPC Short Course)
- Offered Tours (Ticketed \$)
- Board Meetings (By Invitation)

### Thursday, July 23, 2026

- Pre-Conference Programming (Ticketed)
- Offered Tours (Ticketed \$)
- Thursday Evening Reception at the Pillsbury A Mill (Ticketed \$)

### Friday, July 24, 2026

- Conference Programming Begins
- Friday Morning Plenary at the Conference Hotel
- Concurrent Educational Sessions
- Offered Tours (Ticketed \$)
- Friday Evening Reception at the Mill City Museum

### Saturday, July 25, 2026

- Concurrent Educational Sessions
- Offered Tours (Ticketed \$)
- Saturday Luncheon at the Conference Hotel (Ticketed \$)
- Saturday Evening Commission Excellence Awards Ceremony at the Conference Hotel

### Sunday, July 26, 2026

- Concurrent Educational Sessions
- Offered Tours (Ticketed \$)
- Conference Concludes at 12:30pm

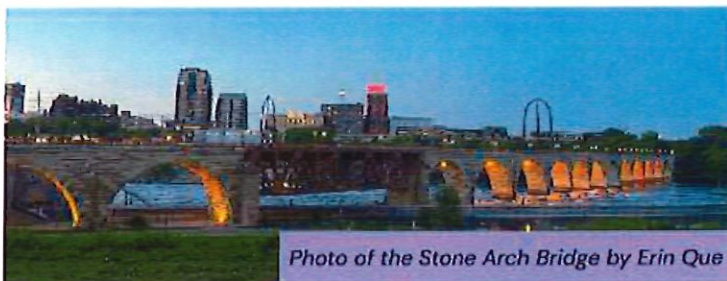


Photo of the Stone Arch Bridge by Erin Que



# FORUM 2026



**JULY 22-26, 2026**  
Minneapolis, MN

## THEMES

Sessions presented at FORUM are organized by themes that help attendees customize their conference experience to what will be most helpful to their community back home. The themes this year include the following:

- Preservation on the Front Lines
- Preparing Communities for Tomorrow
- Historic Preservation for All
- Building Vibrant Communities Through Preservation
- Preservation Foundations

## RELATIONSHIPS

Develop lasting connections with professionals who are doing similar work in the field of preservation. The FORUM crowd is known for being friendly and supportive even after the conference ends. Plus, you'll finally put faces to the names from NAPC's listserv!

## WHY ATTEND?

NAPC has put together the following to help individuals justify their trip to FORUM 2026: Preservation Currents.

### SOLUTIONS

Leave FORUM with creative ways to address challenges in your community. These ideas are offered up through presented case studies, pre-conference workshops, and casual conversations at coffee breaks.

### VALUE

FORUM is one of the most affordable preservation-related educational events with full-conference registration rates starting at \$350. In addition, NAPC works very hard to negotiate a competitive rate for accommodations.

### CE CREDITS

Load up on Continuing Education credits to fulfill professional license requirements and credentials like AIA and AICP.

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[FORUM.NAPCOMMISSIONS.ORG](https://forum.napcommissions.org)



# FORUM 2026: PRESERVATION CURRENTS REGISTRATION RATES



**Registration Opens March 25, 2026**

**NAPC Member Early Bird \$350**

**NAPC Member Regular \$450**

**Non-Member Early Bird \$450**

**Non-Member Regular \$550**

**Student Early Bird \$150**

**Student Regular \$200**

**Early Bird - Ends May 8**

**Regular - Begins May 9**