

Being Green Is In!

The Rapid City Historic Preservation Commission Celebrates National Historic Preservation Month with “Old is the New Green”

Are you the owner of an older, historic home or building? Are you a contractor or architect that works with owners of older, historic homes and buildings? Do you have questions regarding the cost, advantage and disadvantage of painting or residing, replacing or repairing, demolishing or restoring? If you answered Yes to any of these questions the Rapid City Historic Preservation Commission has the answer for you.

On Friday, May 21, 2010 and Saturday, May 22, 2010, Bob Yapp, Preservation Specialist and founder of Preservation Resources, Inc., will provide Free workshops at the Stanford Adelstein Gallery at The Journey Museum, 222 New York Street, Rapid City, SD (2 blocks east of the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn) that will help you find answers to these and other questions dealing with the responsibilities of owning older, historic homes and buildings.



The May 21, 2010 workshops will focus on strengthening the Community's preservation ethic, learning effective ways to work with people living in local landmarks and historic districts and utilizing historic preservation as a tool for success.

The Friday, May 21, 2010 workshop schedule is:

9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. - *Are You the Paint Police or The Preservation Collaborators?* Learn effective ways to work with people living in local landmarks and historic districts.

10:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - *Creating a Preservation Ethic in Your Community.* Bob Yapp walks participants through the process necessary to create a preservation ethic in your community.

1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. - *Neighborhood Revitalization Strategies.* A step-by-step strategy for taking your neighborhood back and utilizing historic preservation and activism as tools for success.

The May 22, 2010 workshops will focus on providing property owners, contractors and architects with the tools they need to cost effectively restore and repair their older, historic homes and buildings.

The Saturday, May 22, 2010 workshop schedule is:

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. - *Preservation Doesn't Cost--It Pays!* This is a fun and dynamic talk by Bob Yapp that takes participants through



the economic benefits of historic preservation with written materials.

10:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - *Paint It Right!* How to get a 12 to 15 year, cost effective paint job for your historic house. You can hire it done, never lift a finger and do it twice in 24 to 30 years for about the same price as a competent vinyl siding job that will last 15 years.

1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. - *Old Windows Aren't A Pane---They're Green.* A primer on how to cost effectively repair/restore and make old windows as or more energy efficient than replacement windows.

Meet Bob Yapp: Bob is the president of Preservation Resources, Inc. and travels America as a historic preservation and planning consultant and gives keynote speeches, conducts seminars and hands-on workshops on just about any subject having to do with preservation, housing and community. Bob also assists individuals with their questions through his website blog at www.bobyapp.com.

Interested individuals are encouraged to register early for these FREE workshops to insure that sufficient handout materials are available. Please contact the Growth Management Office to register for these FREE workshops.

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Additional information regarding these workshops and other Preservation Week activities can be found on the Historic Preservation Website at:

http://www.rcgov.org/Growth-Management/hpc_preservationmonth.html.

“The greenest building is the one that is already built.”