



INDIANA LANDMARKS

**2012 Historic Preservation Education Grants  
A Joint Program of Indiana Humanities and  
Indiana Landmarks**



**Behind the Scenes: An Adaptive Reuse Tour of the Rushton Building  
South Bend Heritage Foundation, South Bend**

The South Bend Heritage Foundation will develop and conduct guided tours of the 1906 Rushton apartment building, before and after renovation, and other historic structures including the Engman Natatorium, now the IUSB Civil Rights Center. The project is aimed at building contractors, developers, architecture students and the general public. (Aug. 2012, tour)

**Grant: \$2,000**

**Digital Heritage Trail  
ARCH, Inc., Fort Wayne**

Designed in 1994 to commemorate the Bicentennial of the founding of Fort Wayne, the Heritage Trail consists of four walking tours with some interpretive markers. This project will update the historical research and technological presentation of the trail. (June 2013, website & QR codes in place)

**Grant: \$2,000**

**Embassy Theatre Study Trips  
Embassy Theatre Foundation, Inc., Fort Wayne**

This grant will help to support the Embassy Theatre's Study Trip program, which combines a tour of the theatre with an opportunity for elementary school students to learn about the site's preservation by reenacting the story of how the Embassy was saved from destruction. (2012-13 season, study trips)

**Grant: \$1,500**

**Sustainability and the Re-Use of Historic Properties  
City of Valparaiso, Valparaiso**

The City of Valparaiso will host the GreenTown Conference, a major event that attracts civic leaders and others interested in sustainable development. This grant will help to bring Adrian Scott Fine of the Los Angeles Conservancy to the conference to speak about the reuse of historic properties. (Sept. 27-28, 2012, conference)

**Grant: \$2,000**

**Landmark Lyrics: Speaking Through Structures from the Past  
Brick Street Poetry, Inc., Zionsville**

Brick Street Poetry will match a poet to each of 15-20 historic properties in Indiana for the purpose of writing poems inspired by the life of the structure and its occupants. (Nov. 15, 2012, poetry reading with images of structures)

**Grant: \$2,000**

**2012 City of Noblesville Student Docent Project  
City of Noblesville, Noblesville**

Student docents will receive training from Conner Prairie staff and then give tours of historic downtown Noblesville buildings, the historical society museum and the Indiana Transportation Museum. (Summer 2012)  
**Grant: \$2,000**

**Preserving Historic Eleutherian College: A Public Education Event**  
**Historic Eleutherian College, Madison**

A three-day weekend festival, with school field trips, lectures and presentations, will educate a regional audience about the significance of Eleutherian College. A National Historic Landmark, the college was founded in 1848 and enrolled African Americans, becoming an important site on the Underground Railroad. (Sept. 21-23, 2012, festival)  
**Grant: \$2,000**

**Rightsizing Communities Through Historic Preservation - A Sustainable Approach to the Shrinking City**  
**Richmond Columbian Properties, Richmond**

A daylong historic preservation conference will take place at the 1885 William G. Scott House and two adjacent historic churches. The keynote speaker, Donavan Rypkema, will offer preservation-related solutions to industrial cities affected by long-term population loss, a shrinking tax base and lagging business growth. (June 14, 2012, conference)  
**Grant: \$2,000**

**Primary Research of Sites and Structures in the Downtown, and State and Division National Register**  
**Districts Located in Elkhart, Indiana**  
**Downtown Elkhart, Inc., Elkhart**

Primary source research will establish a definitive structural and social history of buildings in two historic districts in downtown Elkhart. (Jan. 2013, research completed)  
**Grant: \$2,000**

**Studebaker Bendix Heritage Trail**  
**Studebaker National Museum, South Bend**

A new web-based tour of local landmarks related to the Studebaker and Bendix families and their corporations will be developed by a coalition of cultural and historical organizations in South Bend. The Heritage Trail will provide a path for visitors and residents to experience the rich architectural history from the community's industrial past. (Oct. 30, 2012, tour completed and linked to partner websites)  
**Grant: \$2,000**

**The Greatest Generation**  
**School City of East Chicago, East Chicago**

High school students in the Social Studies Club of East Chicago Public Schools will research and identify historic structures of their city as they existed when the World War II generation came home in the 1940s. They will present their project at East Chicago Central High School's annual Parent Night. (Oct. 25, 2012, presentation)  
**Grant: \$2,000**