

## Bridging Ages International Conference 2013

New Mexico State University in Las Cruces and the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum will host next year's conference for the Bridging Ages organization.

### Call for Papers

Bridging Ages, an international organization in Historical Environment Education and Time Travels, seeks proposals for papers, panels, and workshops that investigate the use of local history to benefit society today. Topics for this conference include but are not limited to:

- historic environment education (the use of local history in and outside of classrooms);
- immigration (both past and present);
- memory studies (how nearby history and local places influence how we remember);
- museums (the utilization of local heritage for exhibits and programs, especially through living history and Time Travels);
- and place history (how nearby landscapes impact our understanding of history and society).

The goals of this conference include creating interdisciplinary and multi-national exchanges and using the past to improve the future. We invite historians, educators, and community scholars from museums, universities and schools, heritage organizations, living history programs, and any other field of study to submit a proposal. Please send your proposal to [jhunner@nmsu.edu](mailto:jhunner@nmsu.edu) before October 15, 2012 and include the title, a 250 word abstract, and a short biography about yourself.

### Tentative Conference Schedule

- Monday, April 15: Opening reception 6 pm at Zuhl Museum with entertainment.
- Tuesday, April 16: Papers, panels and workshops during the day. Dinner at the Magoffin House in El Paso, Texas.
- Wednesday, April 17: Papers, panels and workshops during the day. Western dinner at Fort Selden State Monument with entertainment.
- Thursday, April 18: Papers, panels and workshops in the morning. In the afternoon, conference participants will Time Travel to 1912 on the historic plaza of Mesilla. Also the joint conference of the New Mexico Historical Society and the Arizona Historical Society will meet in Las Cruces then and they have been invited to join in the Time Travel. After the Time Travel, tours of the Mesilla plaza and the Taylor State Monument. Dinner at La Posta with entertainment.
- Friday, April 19: Excursion to White Sands National Monument, Mescalero Indian Reservation, and Lincoln where Billy the Kind escaped from jail.

Follow us on Facebook at "Bridging Ages 2013 in Las Cruces, NM" for the latest updates on the conference.

Welcome!

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