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2018 HALS Challenge: *Memorialization, Commemorating the Great War Results* & *NEW 2019 HALS Challenge: Historic Streetscapes*

The Historic American Landscapes Survey (HALS) was created in 2000 as a federal program to document historic landscapes in the United States and its territories. Documentation is critical to preserving these significant sites for the benefit of future generations. Like its companion programs, the Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) and the Historic American Engineering Record (HAER), HALS produces written and graphic records used by educators, land managers, and preservation planners as well as the general public. The National Park Service (NPS) administers the planning and operation of HALS, standardizes formats and develops guidelines for recording landscapes, and catalogs and/or publishes the information when appropriate (www.nps.gov/hdp/standards/halsguidelines.htm). The American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) provides professional guidance and technical advice for the program through its Historic Preservation Professional Practice Network. The Library of Congress (LOC) accepts and preserves HALS documents, furnishes reproductions of material, and makes records available to the public (www.loc.gov/pictures/collection/hh/).

Results of the 9th annual HALS Challenge were announced at the HALS Meeting of the Philadelphia ASLA Annual Meeting and Expo on Saturday, October 20, 2018. Congratulations to the winners! Sponsored by the National Park Service, cash prizes were awarded to the top 3 submissions. This challenge resulted in the donation of 17 impressive HALS short format historical reports and a few measured drawings and large format photographs to the HALS collection.

2018 HALS Challenge: Memorialization, Commemorating the Great War, Sponsored by HALS-NPS

1st Place: Golden Gate Park, Heroes' Grove and Gold Star Mothers' Memorial Boulder
HALS CA-49-B
San Francisco, San Francisco County, California
By Cate Bainton with large format photographs by Les Tabata and Cate Bainton

2nd Place: American Academy in Rome, Thrasher-Ward Memorial HALS US-10-A
Rome, Italy*
By James O'Day, ASLA

3rd Place: Monument Terrace HALS VA-79
Lynchburg, Campbell County, Virginia
By Laura Knott, RLA, MSHP

Honorable Mention: Liberty Row HALS OH-13
Passing through Cleveland, Cleveland Heights, and Shaker Heights,
Cuyahoga County, Ohio
By P. Jeffrey Knopp, ASLA

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2019 HALS Challenge: *Historic Streetscapes*

For the 10th annual HALS Challenge the theme is *Historic Streetscapes*. Many cities have come to appreciate the cultural and commercial value of their historic streets. Main Street Programs across the nation have encouraged the revitalization of commercial historic districts, and now the Complete Streets movement is sweeping the design world. What makes your favorite historic street(s) unique? Does your local Historic Preservation Commission protect the streetscape characteristics and features of historic districts along with the contributing buildings? You may increase historic landscape awareness with your local governments and preservation commissions by documenting historic streetscapes for HALS and illuminating these significant parts of America's circulatory system.

Please choose an individual street or a contiguous network or grid of streets to document and pay particular attention to the features: *benches, bollards, bus stops, circles, context, crosswalks, curbing, drainage, facades, fencing, festivals, fountains, gutters, islands, lampposts, medians, meters, monuments, paving, pedestrian malls, parades, parking, planters, plazas, porches, public art, ramps, setbacks, sidewalks, signage, significance, squares, steps, stoops, street trees, traffic lights, trolley tracks, utilities, etc.*

People from every state are hereby challenged to complete at least one HALS short format history to document historic thoroughfares. Short format histories should be submitted to HALS at the NPS no later than July 31, 2019 (c/o Chris Stevens, 202-354-2146, Chris_Stevens@nps.gov). Sponsored by HALS, cash prizes will again be awarded to the top three submissions. Results will be announced at the San Diego 2019 ASLA Annual Meeting and Expo during the HALS Meeting. Good luck and thank you for helping to preserve American landscapes!

2018 HALS Challenge: *Memorialization, Commemorating the Great War*

We received 17 very strong entries this year from 12 states from all over the country!!! The list is below.

Thank you to all entrants for expanding the HALS collection and raising awareness of the historic landscapes they documented. Veterans Day 2018 marks the centennial of the armistice that ended World War I - *The Great War* or *The War to End All Wars*. Thank you for helping us recognize this significant anniversary by documenting the traditional monuments and civic memorials that honored the Americans who fought and died in the first world war.

We will share the winners on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/HeritageDocumentationPrograms) and on our website (https://www.nps.gov/hdp/competitions/HALS_Challenge.html) soon.

The 17 Entries for the 2018 HALS Challenge: Memorialization, Commemorating the Great War:

Arizona - FORT LOWELL HALS AZ-24
 California - ELYSIAN PARK, VICTORY MEMORIAL GROVE HALS CA-141-A
 California - GOLDEN GATE PARK, HEROES' GROVE AND GOLD STAR MOTHERS' MEMORIAL BOULDER HALS CA-49-B
 California - GOLDEN GATE PARK, PERSHING & DOUGHBOY MONUMENTS HALS CA-49-C
 California - MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM HALS CA-140
 California - SOLDIERS MEMORIAL MONUMENT HALS CA-142
 Connecticut - NEW BRITAIN WORLD WAR MEMORIAL HALS CT-3
 District of Columbia - USDA WWI MEMORIAL HALS DC-61
 Italy* - AMERICAN ACADEMY IN ROME, THRASHER-WARD MEMORIAL HALS US-10-A
 Massachusetts - BATTERY D MEMORIAL HALS MA-4
 North Carolina - NCSU MEMORIAL TOWER HALS NC-8
 Ohio - LIBERTY ROW HALS OH-13
 Rhode Island - MIANTONOMI MEMORIAL PARK HALS RI-3
 Texas - CAMP LOGAN HALS TX-12
 Virginia - MONUMENT TERRACE HALS VA-79
 Wisconsin - HUMBOLDT PARK WWI MEMORIAL HALS WI-17
 Washington - DES MOINES MEMORIAL DRIVE PARK HALS WA-2

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