



Conference Overview

The Washington Trust for Historic Preservation, in association with the National Barn Alliance, is hosting the Heritage Barn Conference to be held at the Marcus Whitman Hotel and Conference Center in Walla Walla on May 6-7, 2010.

The goal for the conference is to gather stakeholders who have an interest in promoting the preservation of heritage barn sites in the Pacific Northwest, including Washington, Oregon, Idaho and beyond. We will be convening preservationists, planners, farm owners, historians, barn aficionados, and the community at large to focus on barn preservation and related topics.

The first day will be a series of educational sessions, with an opening plenary and a lunch-time keynote speaker. Broken into three tracks, sessions will include identification and survey of historic barns, rural heritage tourism, tools and strategies for rural preservation, adaptive re-use of barns, and policies focusing on agricultural and barn preservation. Day two includes a variety of field trips designed to engage conference participants in local history, barn construction, and hands on examples of adaptive use.

Register online at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/99126

Proposed Tracks and Sessions

Track 1: Heritage Barn Basics: Key Programs to Keep Them Alive

- The Architectural Legacy of Barns
- Rural Heritage Tourism: Strategies and Challenges
- Funding Programs for Heritage Barn Rehabilitation

Track 2: Rural and Agricultural Lands Preservation: Planning Tools & Strategies

- Planning and Development Strategies
- Rural Survey and Documentation Techniques and Projects
- Integrating Barn Preservation Efforts with Agricultural Easements

Track 3: Heritage Barn Preservation: Using and Re-using These Resources

- The Value of Barns as Habitat
- Adaptive Use of Barns
- Implementing Historic Standards with Barn Rehabilitation

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