



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS
HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION

The State of New Mexico, Cultural Properties Review Committee 2018 Heritage Preservation Awards

Heritage Preservation Awards are presented annually under the sponsorship of the New Mexico Historic Preservation Division to projects, individuals, and organizations whose contributions demonstrate significant achievements in preserving the heritage of New Mexico.

2018 Award Recipients

Lifetime Achievement Award

- **Edie Cherry, FAIA, ASLA of Cherry / See / Reames Architects, PC and Professor Emerita, University of New Mexico School of Architecture** — for a career in architectural practice and academia including 30+ years of activity in historic preservation. Ms. Cherry also served as a member and Chairwoman of the New Mexico Cultural Properties Review Committee for 10+ years and on the City of Albuquerque's Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission from 1999-2005.

Archaeological Heritage Award

- **The Merchant Site**—for Myles Miller and Tim Graves of Versar, Inc. and the late Robert "Bus" Leslie whom are recognized for their work under the Bureau of Land Management's Permian Basin Programmatic Agreement for establishing scientific rigor at the site, excavating significant features and record keeping.

Individual Achievement Award

- **Dr. Robert Dello-Russo**— for an extensive career in archaeology, working in New Mexico since 1986. In 1999 while completing the requirements for his PhD at UNM, Dr. Dello-Russo discovered the Water Canyon Paleoindian site near Socorro. He continues research at the Water Canyon site today, making noteworthy discoveries including the first chronometrically dated Cody *Bison antiquus* processing area in western New Mexico and the earliest grinding stone (at ~9200 cal yr BP) in New Mexico."

Heritage Publication Award

- **University of New Mexico Law School, Natural Resources Journal**— for publishing and dedicating a seminal issue to the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service – Volume 56, Issue 1, 2016, *National Parks at the Centennial* – where relevant issues such as climate change, the potential for oil and gas development, and the sharing of parks with native peoples envisions a 21st Century Park Service.

Architectural Heritage Award

- **New Mexico Museum of Art, Centennial Rehabilitation Project** — for excellence in the rehabilitation of the historic New Mexico Museum of Art. Seeking to celebrate its 100th anniversary, the staff of the museum prepared to undertake this project to reveal and restore the elegant simplicity of the interior public spaces and improve visitor experience.

Tribal Heritage Award

- **Navajo Nation & Mescalero Apache & New Mexico Historic Sites Division**—for outstanding collaboration to craft a new interpretive plan for the proposed Long Walk exhibit at the Ft. Sumner / Bosque Redondo Memorial Historic Site.

Heritage Organization

- **Department of the Army, White Sands Missile Range, Cultural Resources Program**—for its program to develop historic contexts that provide a framework for understanding the growth and development of White Sands Missile Range and its scientific contributions to the Cold War and manned space flight.

Community Preservation Planning

- **Village of Santa Clara**—for outstanding preservation planning efforts in recognizing and preserving its historic resources. Mayor Richard Bauch and City Clerk Sheila Hudman have led the Village's efforts in utilizing preservation as an essential community revitalization tool.

In Memoriam Recognition

- **Dr. Richard West Sellars**—for Dr. Sellars' work as an historian for the National Park Service in Santa Fe and publishing the path-breaking work, *Preserving Nature in the National Parks*.