



Arizona Historical Advisory Commission

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State Historic Preservation Office - Arizona Historical Society - Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records - Arizona State Museum
Arizona State Parks - Arizona State Office of Tourism - Superintendent of Public Instruction

ARIZONA HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

Arizona commemorates 100 years of Statehood on February 14, 2012. The Arizona Historical Advisory Commission (AHAC) works to ensure a lasting legacy for future generations by encouraging all Arizonans to reflect on our unique and authentic history, to experience the rich and diverse tapestry of our heritage and to explore our promising future.

The Commission is organized under A.R.S. § 41-1352 and further supported by [Laws 2005, Ch. 1, § 3](#) (as amended by Laws 2006, Ch. 350 § 4, Laws 2007, Ch. 78 § 1, and Laws 2008, Ch. 243 § 1) and Governor Executive Order 2008-15. AHAC was given specific responsibilities to create awareness and promote observance of Arizona's Centennial at the local and state level under [Laws 2005, Senate Bill 1065 \(Chapter 1\)](#). Additional legislation enacted in [Laws 2006, House Bill 2870, Chapter 350, Section 3B](#) states "The Historical Advisory Commission may accept and spend appropriations, grants, gifts, contributions and devises to assist in carrying out this section" [Centennial Work].

The Commission consists of not less than 10 but not more than 20 members appointed by the Director of the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records (ASLAPR). Commission members include experts in the fields of:

- Historic Preservation
- History
- Arts and Culture
- Architecture and Archaeology
- Professional Libraries and Archives
- Persons associated with the interpretation, research, writing, preservation or teaching of the state's heritage

The Commission collaboratively works with the Arizona Centennial Commission (AZCC) established under Executive Order 2008-24. Together the Commissions are preparing a Centennial experience that combines the rich history and lasting legacy of Arizona with celebratory events that all Arizonans can enjoy.

In the past year AHAC has organized a request to the Architect of the Capitol in Washington D.C. to have a statue of Senator Barry Goldwater replace the statue of Senator John Campbell Greenway in Statuary Hall with support from Legislature and Governor Brewer. Funds and quarter folios are being prepared for distribution to approved Centennial Legacy Projects to support fundraising efforts; statutory member agencies are eligible for funds to develop additional Centennial projects or support approved projects. Information sharing and networking has begun between the two Centennial commissions and local planning efforts across the state to ensure Arizonans are aware of the historical significance and excitement of creating a rich Centennial celebration experience.

ARIZONA CENTENNIAL LEGACY PROJECTS

To date, the Arizona Historical Advisory Commission has approved fifty three Arizona Centennial Legacy Projects that have a net contribution to the state of \$90 million. Projects are multifaceted and range in scope from local communities to statewide efforts.

A Dream of Arizona	Historic Springerville School
Arizona Centennial Musical Compositions	Justice Learning Center and Museum
Arizona Centennial Theatre Foundation	Mesa Grande
Arizona Centennial Quilt Project	New Chandler Museum
Arizona HistoryMakers	Old Litchfield Train Depot
Arizona Historic Cemeteries	OneBook AZ
Arizona Living History Presentations	One Hundred Years of Arizona Press Women
Arizona Glass Plate Negatives	One Hundred Years One Hundred Ranchers
Arizona Memory Project	Project 2012- Stories for Arizona's Centennial
Arizona Newspapers 1880-1912	Celebration
Arizona State Greats Biography Series	Reclamation and Arizona- A Century of
Arizona State Hospital, 1912 Administration	Cooperation
Building	Rehabilitation of Florence- Silver King Hotel
Arizona State Railroad Museum	Restoration of the 1906 Train Order Semaphore
Arizona Stories	San Xavier Mission
Arizona Voices	Scottsdale Remembers- Recollections of Our Past
Arizona Women's Hall of Fame- 100 Years of	Teaching Arizona History with a Geographical
Arizona Women	Perspective
Arizona Women's Heritage Trail	The Arizona Story
Becoming Arizona	The Past Meets the Future
Brigham City Arizona Territory Historic Site	The Benjamin Sacks Collection, Territorial AZ for
Restoration	the 21 st Century
Cady Hall Courtyard Garden	Times Past- Reflections of Arizona History
Canalscape	Tovrea Castle and Carraro Cactus Garden
Cavalry Soldiers Relocation	Udall Home, Elm Motel
Centennial Park, Tucson	Why Arizona? The Arizona Migration Digital
Central Arizona Project Oral Histories	Library
Copper State Monument	
Early Danish Pioneers	
Enhancing Arizona Military Museum	
Florence Memorial Park	
Glendale History Online	
Heritage Park	



ARIZONA CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

Arizona will be celebrating its Centennial of Statehood in 2012 with festivities set to begin in January 2011.

Pursuant to Executive Order 2008-24, the Arizona Centennial Commission was established to plan, promote and execute a comprehensive plan to commemorate the Centennial, and to coordinate and plan national, regional, state and local observances of the 100th anniversary of Arizona's statehood. The Arizona Office of Tourism (AOT) serves as the fiscal agent for the Commission and provides staffing deemed appropriate and necessary to fulfill the objectives of the Executive Order.

The Executive Order also provided for the gubernatorial appointment of as many as 25 members of the Commission to represent a broad cross-section of communities and interests, including business, cultural, tribal, and political. Co-Chairs of the Commission are Governor Janice K. Brewer and retired Chief Justice Charles "Bud" Jones. Among the honorary members of the commission are United States Senator Jon Kyl and Arizona's former governors. Ex-officio members include a number of state agency directors, the presidents of the three Arizona universities, legislative leadership and the mayors of Phoenix, Tucson and Flagstaff.

The Arizona Centennial Commission is working collaboratively with the Arizona Historical Advisory Commission (AHAC), which is authorized by the Arizona Legislature as part of the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records. In 2005, the Legislature expanded AHAC's mission to include specific responsibilities to create awareness and promote observance of Arizona's Centennial at the local and state level. To date AHAC's primary effort has been devoted to the promotion and designation of Legacy Projects among local Arizona cities, town and communities. Currently, 53 Legacy Projects have been certified by AHAC.

Planning is underway for the Arizona Centennial Commission to organize up to ten signature projects and signature events. The Master Plan for the Arizona Centennial will be unveiled to Arizonans in February 2010 preceding Arizona's 98th Statehood Day on Sunday, February 14, 2010.

In January 2012, the Arizona Centennial web site www.arizona100.org will begin to provide more in-depth information on the planning and resources available to organizations, schools and corporations. A Community Toolkit with hundreds of ideas will also be available January 2010.

If you are interested in joining the Centennial Network to receive e-newsletters and information, please to the Arizona Centennial web site and sign up!