# CREATING COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS THROUGH HERITAGE TOURISM











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### WHAT IS HOME + HISTORY?





## Bringing Visibility and Attention to the Importance of Preserving Some of Our Most Treasured Historic Resources

By creating a fun and engaging series of events, Home + History promotes, educates and advocates for the preservation of Southern Nevada's architectural resources as well as breeds renewed interest in preservation, local history, urban sustainability and community development through a variety of heritage tourism programs.

- Longest running heritage tourism festival in Nevada
- Started in 2015 with a home tour and martini party
- By 2023 grew to 48 events over three days
- Partnerships with dozens of cultural institutions, local governments, and businesses.

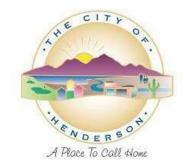




## **PARTNERSHIPS**































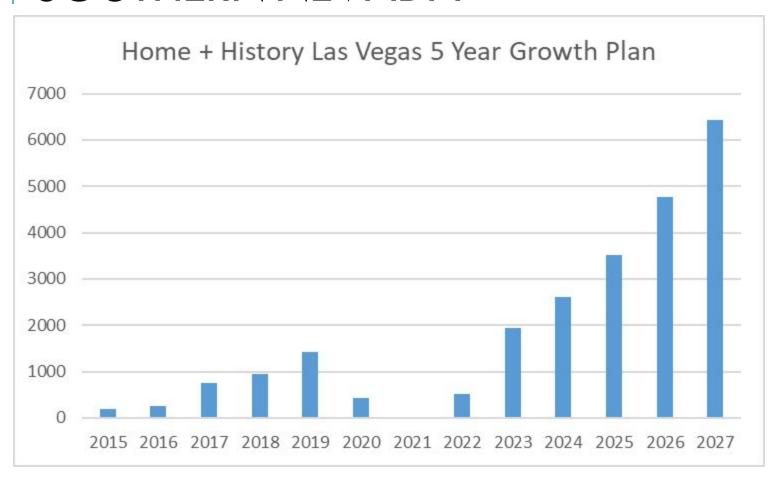


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## HOME + HISTORY IMPACT ON SOUTHERN NEVADA



- 35% planned growth through2027
- With continued partnerships
   NPF will be able to increase event capacity to meet these goals
- By 2027 HHLV will bring in nearly 6500 people to Southern Nevada to celebrate local heritage



### PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS



- Pool resources
- Expand existing programming
- Develop new programming
- Raise organizational profile
- Reach new audiences
- Increase membership
- Attract new volunteers
- Increase funding base



## UNLY PUBLIC HISTORY DEPARTMENT PARTERSHIP





#### Goal:

NPF wanted to increase its event capacity to raise more funds to go towards its mission

#### **Challenge:**

- Limited ability to research, write and curate content for programming
- To meet growth goals, needed to create 5-6 new programs

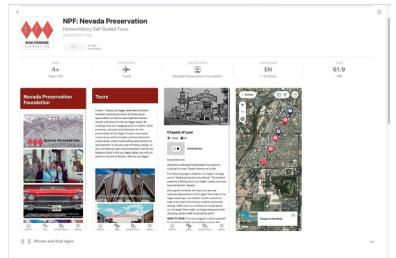
#### **Accomplishments:**

- Met our 5-6 program goal
- Obtained additional raw research date to be used in further programs
- Obtain an additional 12 highly educated volunteers
- Increased our programming reach to Gen Z & Millennials



## UNLY GRADUATE STUDENTS: JOURNEY TO HOME + HISTORY





#### The Beginnings

Needed content development for the largest Las Vegas Home + History to date.

The longevity of tours

#### The Tasks

Researching historic Las Vegas neighborhoods Developing digital tours in STQRY App

#### The Fun of Researching

UNLV Special Collections Architectural Resources Oral Histories Photographs



UNLV PUBLIC HISTORY INSTITUTE: BUILDING STUDENT PARTERNSHIPS

## Fostering Skills, Networks, and Future Partnerships in Las Vegas

- Providing opportunities to develop skills within the field
- Developing preservation networks throughout Las
- Vegas Future Partnerships

#### The Reid Institute of Public History

- 20 years of innovatively blending theory and practice integrating the issues of the local communities towards the training of public historians
- Engaging with the community to connect the research



## CLARK COUNTY MUSEUM & GUILD PARTNERSHIP





#### Goal:

NPF wanted to expand its programming themes and geographical reach

#### **Challenge:**

- NPF current programming focused largely on Mid-Century eras
- Wanted to expand its programming in areas outside the City of Las Vegas

#### **Accomplishments:**

- Created program to support Clark County Museum exhibit
- representing 1920-50 eras
- Created programming opportunities in Clark County



## How Heritage Street Happened

April 27 5-7pm SIP + VIEW



#### HOW HERITAGE STREET HAPPENED

Clark County Museum



Join the Clark County Museum Guild and Nevada Preservation Foundation as we explore 1920s and 1930s Las Vegas and Boulder City as part of Home + History Las Vegas 2023! Hear the stories behind the relocation and restoration of several significant Southern Nevada buildings and enjoy light refreshments during this self-paced, open house style event. Highlights include the Beckley House, Boulder City Depot, Goumond House, Babcock and Wilcox House, and the Grand Canyon Airlines Office/Bradley House. Guest speakers will be stationed at these selected stops as you stroll the grounds. Enjoy Shirley Temples, mock Girl Scout suger cookies and Lay's Potato Chips—in retro packaginal

Now in its 55th year, the Clark County Museum is among the oldest and  $\,$ 

largest museums in Southern Nevada. The museum's Heritage Street is a

collection of restored historic buildings depicting daily life from different decades in local history.









Tickets at homeandhistorylv.com





























## **QUESTIONS?**



#### In Closing.....

We hope our panel today has shown you the benefits of cultural organizations partnering to pool their limited resources to further a statewide message of the importance of preserving our cultural heritage.

We Preserve Together!

