



Abstracts or proposals for papers or work-in-progress reports are welcomed for the 2018 gathering of the Marion Dean Ross/Pacific Northwest Chapter of the **Society of Architectural Historians**. The conference will be held in the coastal town of Astoria, Oregon, from May 18-20, 2018.

Steeped in a rich, maritime setting where the mighty Columbia River meets the Pacific Ocean, Astoria has long attracted people to its shores—from Native Americans to Scandinavians to East and South Asians. Newcomers brought their own architectural traditions with them, but their lifeways and building practices have been shaped and re-shaped by their water-oriented environment. The conference theme, ***Constructing Community: Architecture, Diversity, and Identity in the Pacific Northwest***, suggests that a diverse array of peoples aspired to build community in the Pacific Northwest, yet a close inspection of the built environment reveals a broad, often intricate, tapestry of culture that collided as often as it coalesced. Proposals that address the theme are encouraged, although those covering any aspect of the built environment of the Pacific Northwest (coastal, inland, or otherwise) or elsewhere in the global community will be considered.

Submission Guidelines: The abstract should be no more than 300 words and must fit onto a single-sided page, and should indicate whether you intend to deliver a twenty-minute paper or a ten-minute work-in-progress report. Please include, as a separate page, a one-page curriculum vitae or a brief, 100-200-word paragraph biography with your contact information. Submissions most likely to be selected for inclusion will be analytical or critical in nature, rather than descriptive, and will aim to make an original contribution. Membership in SAHMDR is not required for abstract submission, although we kindly request chapter dues for the coming year from those individuals chosen for presentation. Proposals from graduate students, advanced undergraduates, and young professionals in fields related to the built environment are especially welcome. Abstracts will be peer-reviewed by the SAHMDR Papers Committee.

Abstracts are due on or before **February 12, 2018**, and authors of papers chosen for presentation will be notified by March 12, 2018. Completed manuscripts of accepted papers must be submitted in full to conference organizers by April 27, 2018. Authors shall retain copyright, but will agree that the paper can be deposited for scholarly use in the chapter archive in the Special Collections & University Archives, University of Oregon Libraries. Please email submissions as a Word or PDF attachment with the subject heading **SAHMDR 2018** on or before February 12, 2018, to Amanda Clark at amanda.c.r.clark@gmail.com or via regular mail to:

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Astoria, Oregon, as depicted in Northern Pacific Railroad, *The Pacific North-West. A Guide for Settlers and Travelers: Oregon and Washington Territory (1882)*.
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