

FACT SHEET

HistoricPlacesLA

- **HistoricPlacesLA** is the first online information and management system specifically created to inventory, map, describe, and help protect Los Angeles' significant cultural resources.
- The project has been led by the Getty Conservation Institute and the City of Los Angeles, with additional support from the Getty Foundation
- HistoricPlacesLA is the most advanced cultural resource inventory management system in the United States.
- HistoricPlacesLA showcases the diversity of cultural resources in Los Angeles, including places of social importance, architecturally significant buildings, historic districts, bridges, parks, gardens and streetscapes.
- The inventory will be freely accessible online.
- The system contains approximately **25,000** historic resources, including **430** historic districts, **1,065** Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monuments, **29** Los Angeles Historic Preservation Overlay Zones, and **300** places designated by the National Register of Historic Places.
- HistoricPlacesLA will contain data gathered through **SurveyLA**, the citywide survey implemented by the City's Office of Historic Resources to identify significant historic resources.
- SurveyLA is a multi-year public-private partnership between the City of Los Angeles and the Getty that represents the largest and most ambitious historic resources survey project to date in the United States.
- Prior to 2010, only 15 percent of the city had been surveyed for historic resources. Since 2010, SurveyLA has been surveying the remaining 85 percent of the city. SurveyLA is now approximately 75 percent complete – and data continues to come in.

- The system also contains information on thousands of Los Angeles' designated historic resources. Over time, it will include information on all designated resources as well as all resources identified through SurveyLA.
- HistoricPlacesLA is powered by **Arches**, a new open source, web- and geospatially-based information platform built to inventory and ultimately protect cultural heritage places. Arches was developed by the Getty Conservation Institute and World Monuments Fund.
- The City and Getty have each provided matching funds of \$2.5 million for SurveyLA, and the Getty Conservation Institute has provided technical and advisory support.
- Although surveys identify and evaluate resources that may be eligible for designation, no actual designation results directly from SurveyLA or other survey activity. Designation by the City of Los Angeles and nominations to the California or National Registers are separate processes which include property owner notification and public hearings.
- SurveyLA covers the entire city and identifies resources dating from approximately 1865 to 1980.
- Archaeological resources were not surveyed as part of the SurveyLA project but will be included in a future survey phase.