

Myth-Busting the National Register of Historic Places

What it is and what it is not

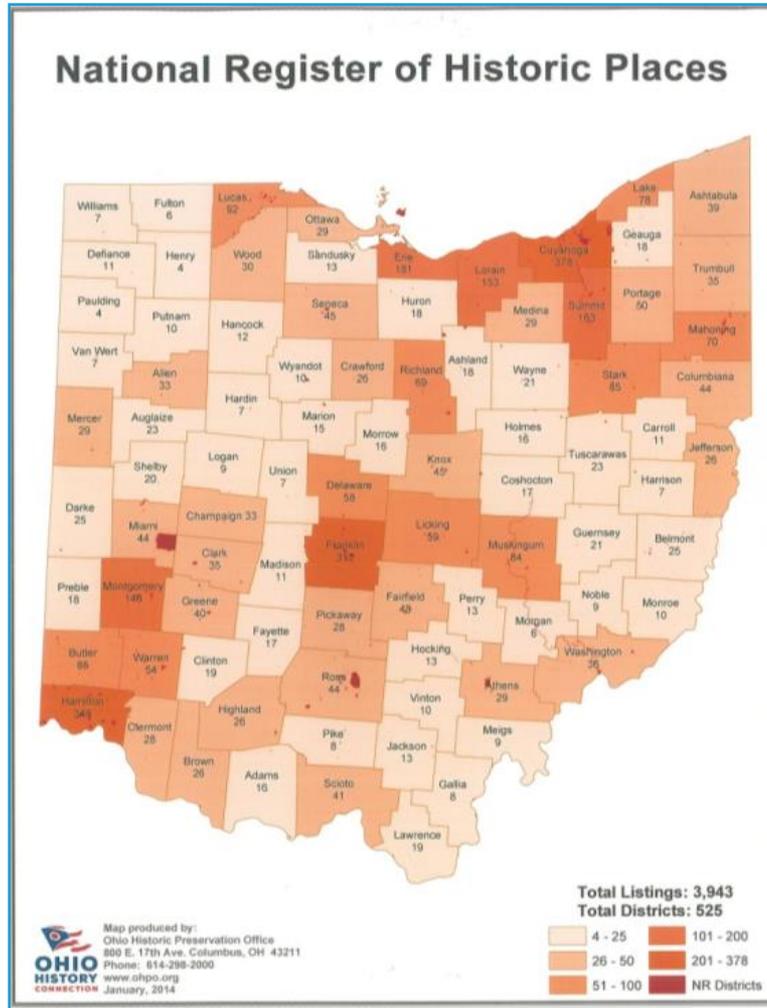


What is the National Register of Historic Places?



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National Register of Historic Places



- Official list of properties recognized as worthy of preservation
- Local, State, or National significance
- American history, Architecture, Archaeology, Engineering, or Culture



National Register of Historic Places

- Program of the National Park Service, in Ohio administered by State Historic Preservation Office, Ohio History Connection
- Close to 4000 listings, with more than 40,000 historic properties
- 529 listings for historic districts, including commercial, residential, large farms or estates, and campuses





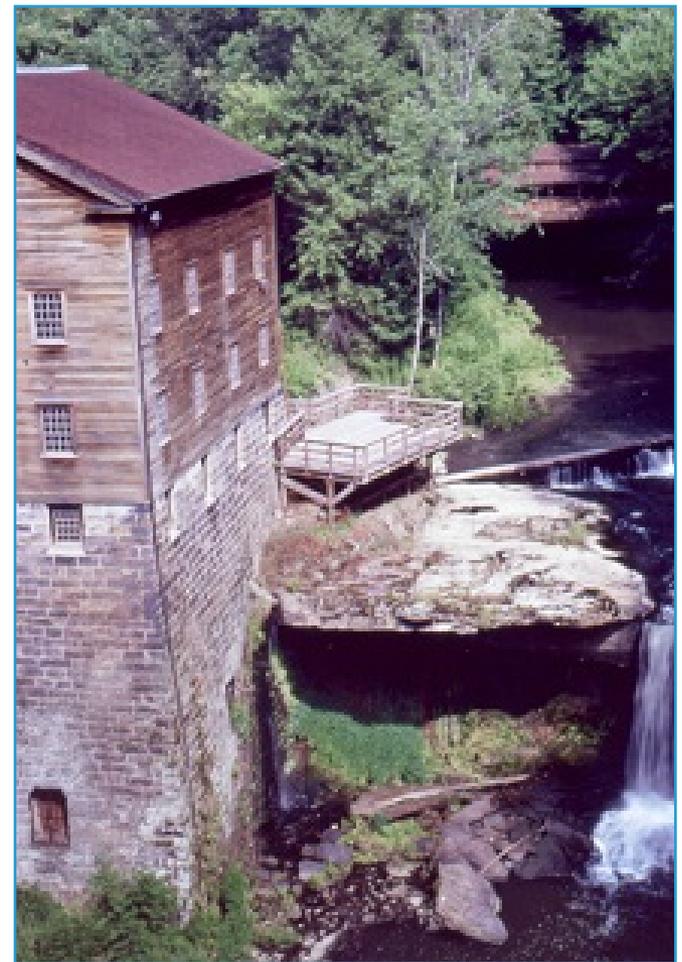
National Register Nomination Process

- Anyone can nominate a property
- Notification of owner prior to listing
- State Historic Preservation Office – staff review
- Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board – state level review
- National Park Service – final listing





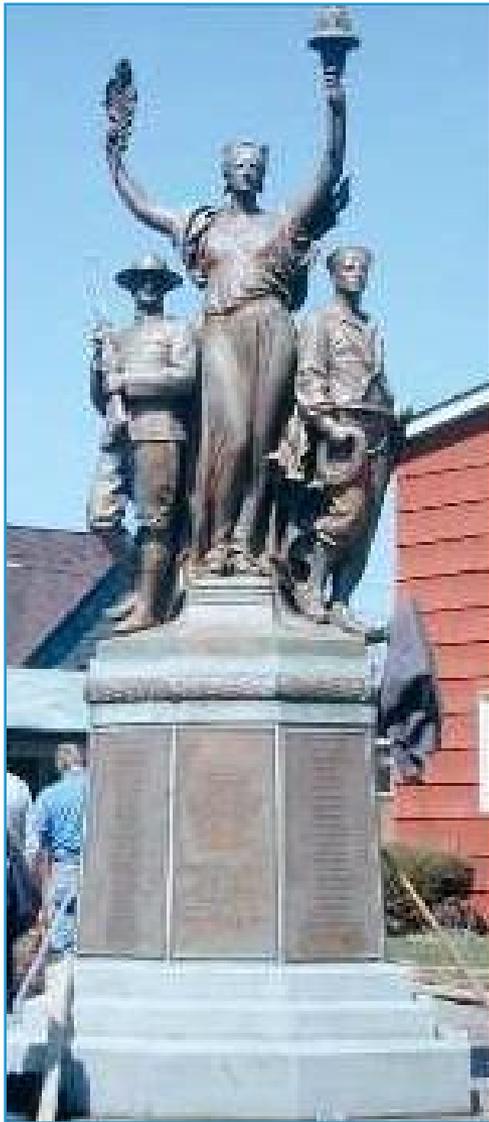
BUILDING – Pinecroft, Powel Crosley, Jr. Home, Hamilton County



SITE – Mill Creek Park, Mahoning County



STRUCTURE – Columbus Grove Swimming Pool, Putnam County



OBJECT – Toronto World War I Monument, Jefferson County



DISTRICT – Orrville Downtown Historic District, Wayne County



What Makes a Property Eligible for the National Register?

- **AGE** (typically 50 years or older)
- **SIGNIFICANCE** (local, state, national levels)
- **INTEGRITY** (retains historic characteristics to convey significance)



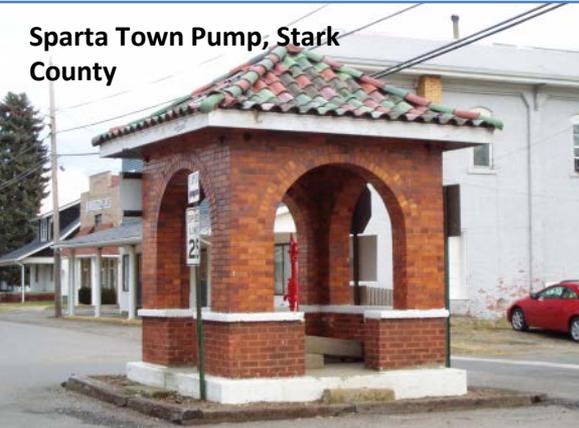


National Register Criteria for Evaluation

- A – Event or broad pattern of events
- B – Persons important in our past
- C – Architectural merit
- D – Yield important information



Sparta Town Pump, Stark County



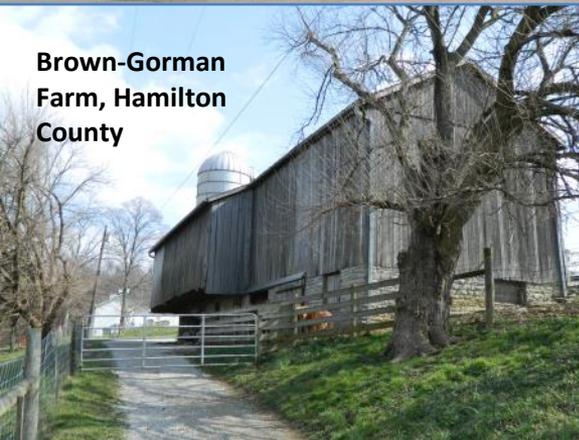
Shelby Shoe Co., Lawrence County



ASM Headquarters, Geauga County

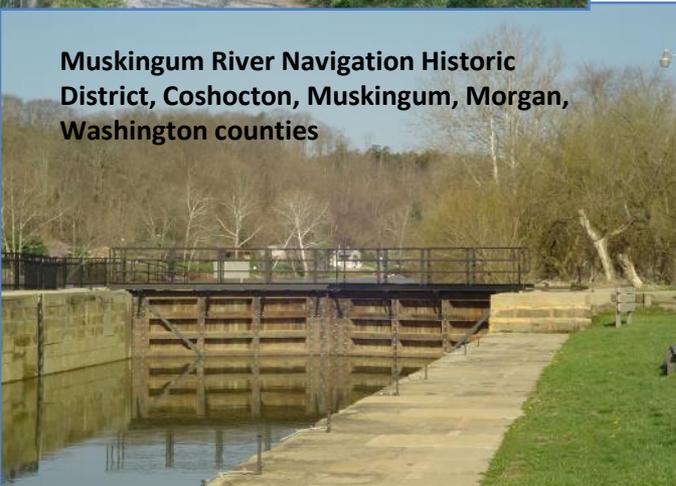


Brown-Gorman Farm, Hamilton County



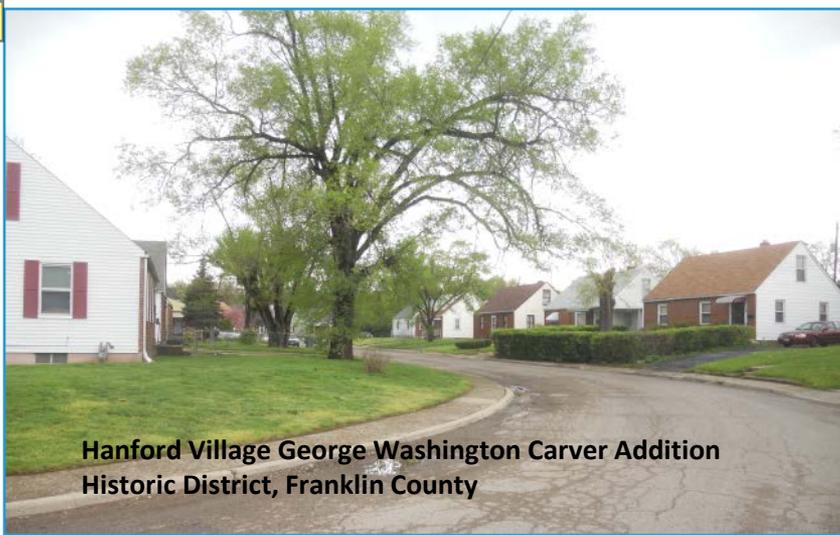
Betts-Longworth Historic District, Hamilton County

Muskingum River Navigation Historic District, Coshocton, Muskingum, Morgan, Washington counties



Schine's Holland Theater, Logan County

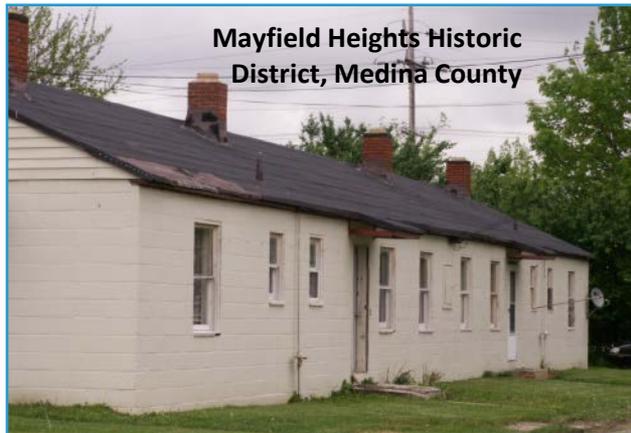




**Hanford Village George Washington Carver Addition
Historic District, Franklin County**



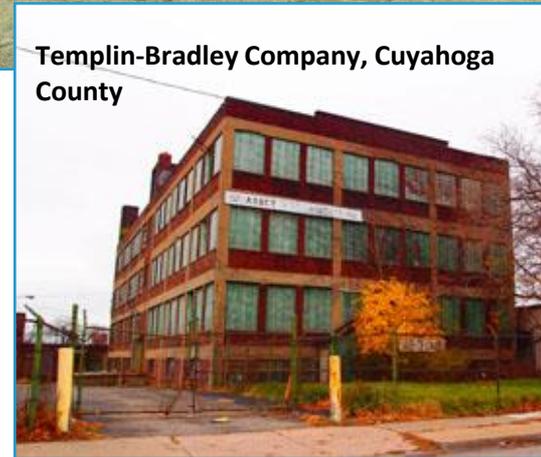
Richman Brothers Company, Cuyahoga County



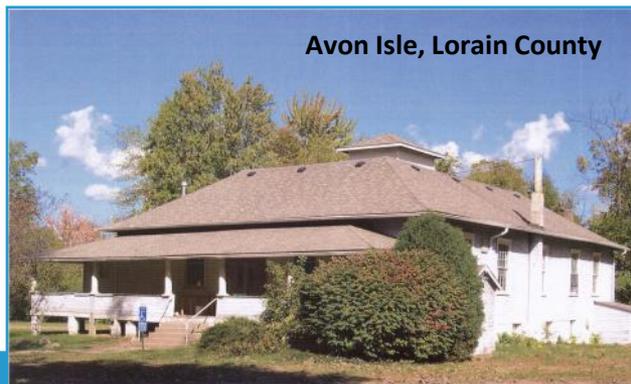
**Mayfield Heights Historic
District, Medina County**



Shenandoah Crash Site, Noble County



**Templin-Bradley Company, Cuyahoga
County**



Avon Isle, Lorain County



**GAR Memorial Hall, Lawrence
County**



Franklin Hotel, Portage County




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What the National Register Does Not Do

- Prevent owner from remodeling, repairing, altering, selling, or demolishing with other than federal funds
- Obligate owner to make repairs or improvements to property





What the National Register Does

- Recognition of historic properties and their importance (planning/education tool)
- Consideration in planning federal federally assisted projects
- Eligibility for federal tax benefits (income-producing)
- Qualifying historic preservation projects for federal grant assistance



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National Historic Preservation Act – Section 106



McPherson Town Historic District, Montgomery County

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Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credits:

20% *Federal Historic Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credit*

- Federal Historic Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credit is available to owners who rehabilitate income-producing properties listed in the National Register
- Federal credit is 20% of Qualified Rehabilitation Expenditures for projects qualifying as substantial rehabilitations. All work must meet the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Rehabilitation*
- OHPO conducts an in-depth review of each project before sending the application to the National Park Service with our recommendations for review and approval





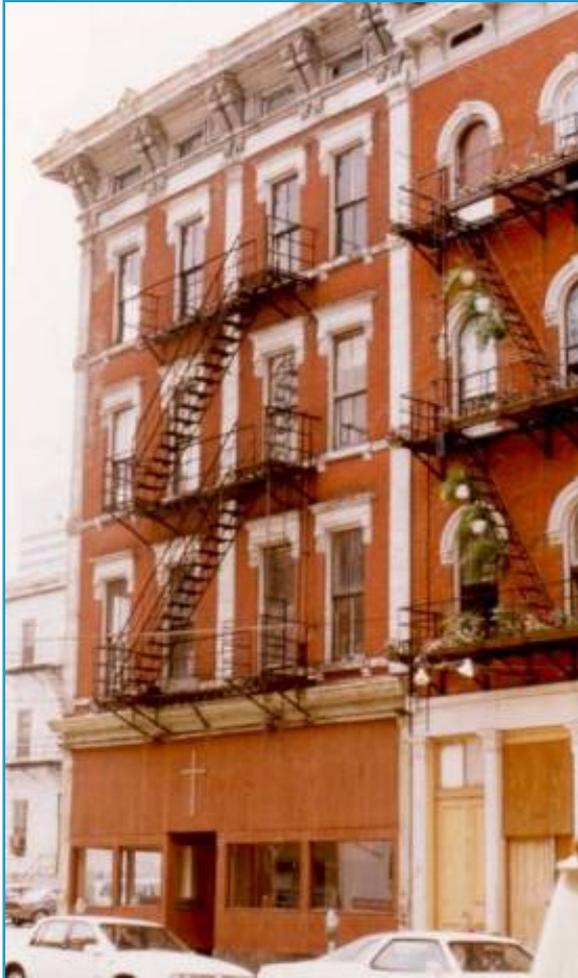
Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credits:

Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit

- Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit program provides a state tax credit for rehabilitating designated historic properties in Ohio
- Owners must be non-governmental entities, the tax credits must be a major factor in the rehabilitation financing and all rehabilitation work must meet the *Standards for Rehabilitation*
- Tax credit is 25% of Qualified Rehabilitation Expenditures, currently set to a maximum of \$5 million in credits per application
- Program is administered by the Ohio Development Services Agency in partnership with SHPO and the Ohio Department of Taxation.
- Two rounds annually, with \$60 million program cap



Before



American Can Company, Hamilton County

Over-the-Rhine Historic District, Hamilton



After



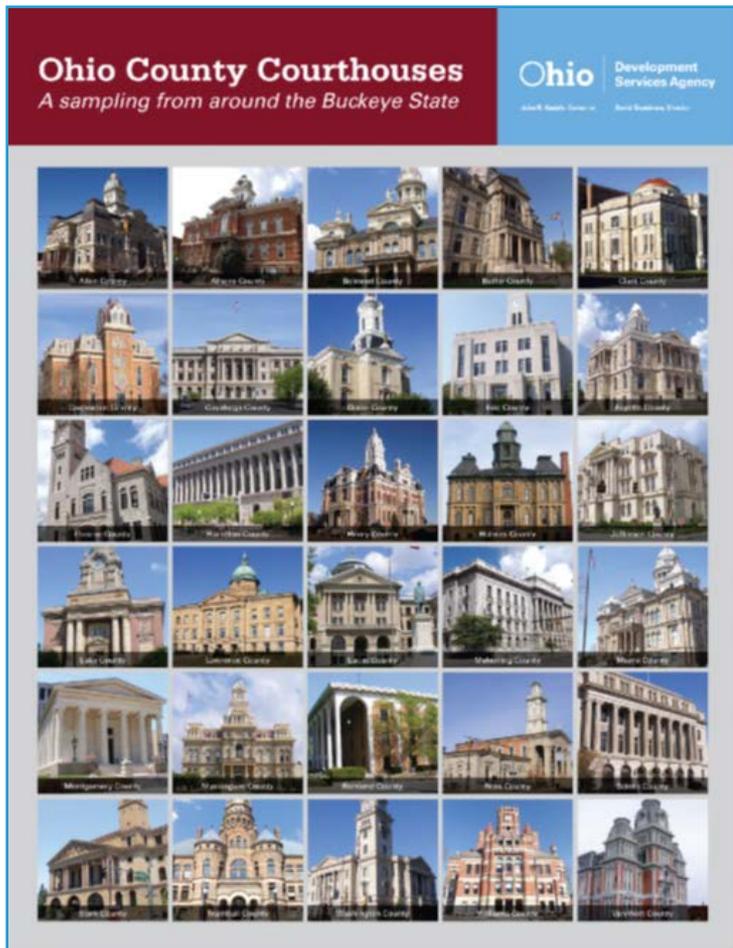
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Pipeline Initiative

http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_ohptc.htm



Downtown Xenia Historic District, Greene County

Kirby Road School, Hamilton County



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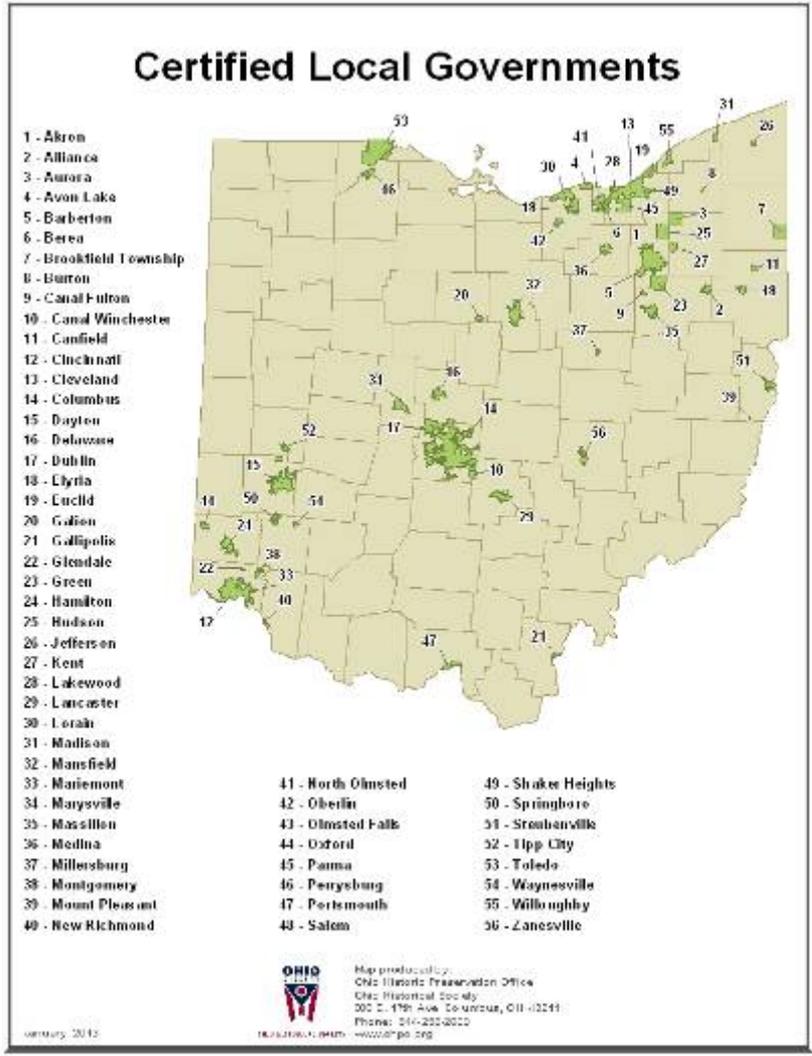
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Canal Winchester, Franklin County



DESIGN GUIDELINES for City of Portsmouth Historic Districts & Listed Properties



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Portsmouth, Scioto County

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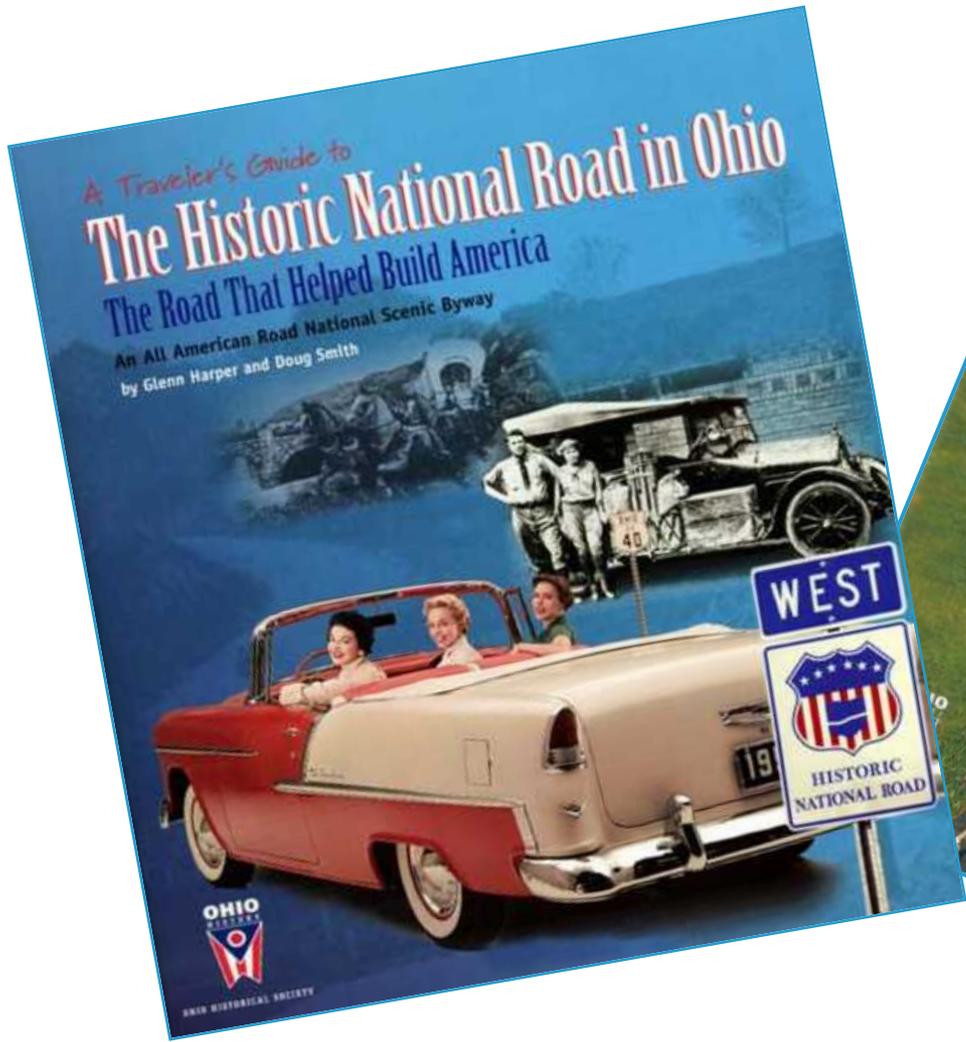
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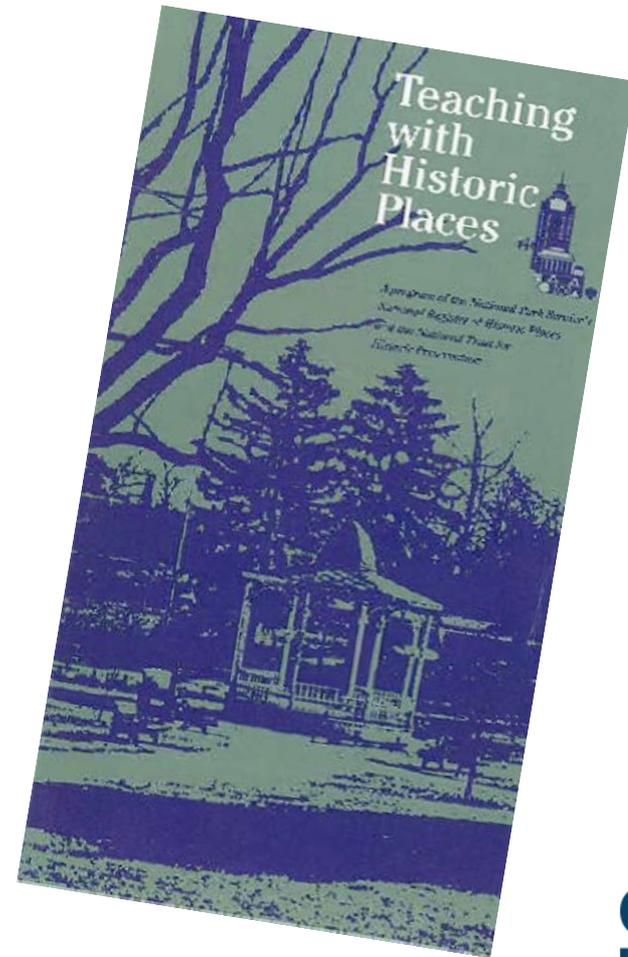




Teaching with Historic Places

Teaching With Historic Places Lesson Plans for Ohio –

- Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park: Where the Wrights Brothers Conquered the Air
- Growing into Public Service: William Howard Taft's Boyhood Home
- A Nation Repays its Debt: The National Soldiers' Home and Cemetery in Dayton, OH
- Not to be Forgotten: Camp Chase Confederate Cemetery
- The Ohio and Erie Canal: Catalyst of Economic Development for Ohio



**Where can I get additional
information about the
National Register?**



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