

**SJM Cultural Resource Services LLC**  
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Sarah J. Martin (SJM) Cultural Resource Services LLC is a historic preservation and public history consulting firm dedicated to helping clients identify, document, and interpret historic places. We understand and can navigate cultural and preservation programs at the local, state, and federal levels. Our experience managing projects, coordinating stakeholder engagement, conducting historical research, and writing thoughtful history allows us to guide clients through a successful project.

Principal and historian Sarah Martin directs each project toward an efficient completion. She has more than 20 years of professional and academic experience in public history and historic preservation in five states: Tennessee, Kansas, Washington, Idaho, and Oregon. She spent her academic and early professional career in Tennessee, where she gained heritage development experience with the Center for Historic Preservation and the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area. During her eight years managing the National Register of Historic Places program for the Kansas State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), she served as a liaison between Kansas constituents and the National Park Service, overseeing more than 300 listings to the National Register. As a consulting historian, she has experience surveying, researching, and documenting a wide variety of buildings and landscapes, ranging from rural to urban, vernacular to high-style, and pre-settlement to modern. Recent consulting projects include nominations to the local, state, and national registers; reports for compliance and mitigation purposes; and content for history-themed walking tours. She brings to each project a passion for research and storytelling and an awareness of the important contributions of underrecognized communities to our collective history.

Martin's education and experience exceed the [Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for History and Architectural History](#) as outlined in 36 CFR 61 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended.

## **EDUCATION**

M.A. History, Public History & Historic Preservation. Middle Tennessee State University. 2004  
Adviser: Dr. Carroll Van West, Professor; Director, MTSU Center for Historic Preservation  
B.G.S. History, Minor in Anthropology. University of Kansas. 2002

## **ADDITIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

King County Historic Preservation Program, Hands-on Wood Window Restoration Workshop. 2022  
King County Historic Preservation Program Training, Mid-century Resources. 2022  
Amending National Register Nominations, PastForward Online. 2021  
National Register Virtual Workshop, with NPS reviewer historian Paul R. Lusignan. 2021  
Beyond Integrity in (X) Virtual Conference. 2021  
Collections Care at Home, digital preservation virtual workshop. Spencer Museum of Art. 2020  
National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Virtual Forum. 2020  
Dismantling Preservation Virtual Unconference. 2020  
WISAARD database tutorials. Washington Dept. of Archaeology & Historic Preservation (DAHP). 2020  
DAHP Academy. Washington Dept. of Archaeology & Historic Preservation (DAHP). 2019  
Preservation Advocacy Workshop: Tools & Strategies. Historic Seattle. 2019  
Preservation Special Projects grant workshop. 4Culture. 2018.  
Proofreading and Editing. UW Professional & Organizational Development. 2016  
WISAARD Database Training. Washington Dept. of Archaeology & Historic Preservation (DAHP). 2016  
Digging Deeper: Researching UW Special Collections. Historic Seattle. 2016  
Kansas Preservation Conference. Kansas SHPO. 2005-2015  
National Register of Historic Places Program Training. National Park Service. 2008  
National Trust for Historic Preservation Conference, Tulsa. 2008  
Evaluating Mid-20<sup>th</sup> Century Architecture. National Preservation Institute. 2007  
National Trust for Historic Preservation Conference, Louisville. 2004  
National Trust for Historic Preservation Conference, Denver. 2003

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Principal/Historian. Sarah J. Martin Cultural Resource Services LLC. Seattle, WA. 2015-present  
Advancement Coordinator/Services Officer. Office of Advancement & External Affairs, School of  
Dentistry. University of Washington. Seattle, WA. 2016-present  
Records Project Coordinator. Office of Advancement, Gift Services. University of Washington. Seattle,  
WA. 2016  
National Register Coordinator / Historian. Kansas State Historic Preservation Office. Topeka, KS. 2006-15  
*Liaison between Kansas constituents and National Park Service.*  
*Public Relations. Press, Web, Presentations. National & State Register Programs.*  
*Lead Planner. State Historic Preservation Plan, 5-Year Update. 2014-15*  
*Team Member. Agency Social Media Task Force. 2014-15*  
*Team Member. Santa Fe Trail National Historic Trail Cost-Share Challenge Project. 2009-13*  
Grants Reviewer. Kansas State Historic Preservation Office. Topeka, KS. 2004-06  
Coordinator. Heritage Development Institute, Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area. Murfreesboro,  
TN. 2004

Research Assistant. Center for Historic Preservation, Middle Tennessee State University. Murfreesboro, TN. 2002-04  
Intern. Metropolitan Historical Commission. Nashville, TN. 2003  
Mellon Library Clerk. Virginia Historical Society. Richmond, VA. 2001

## PROJECTS

Drying Kiln at Preston Mill, Preston, WA. King County Landmark Nomination. Ongoing  
Neely Mansion, Auburn, WA. King County and NRHP Nominations. Ongoing  
SBH Synagogue / Tolliver Temple, Seattle, WA. City of Seattle Landmark Nomination. Ongoing  
City of Covington, Washington Historic Context. 2023  
Owyhee Motorcycle Club, Boise, ID. NRHP Nomination. 2021-22  
Buckner House, Boise, ID. NRHP Nomination. 2021-22  
Historic Wallingford, Seattle, WA. Brochure content, self-guided walking tour. 2022  
Burr House, Kirkland, WA. Intensive-level history. 2022  
Seattle-Tacoma Pet Cemetery, Kent, WA. King County Landmark Nomination. 2021-22  
Vasa Hall, Preston, WA. King County Landmark Nomination. 2021-22  
Surrey Downs Neighborhood, Bellevue, WA. Survey and Inventory with Northwest Vernacular. 2021  
Swanson House, Redmond, OR. NRHP Nomination, 2021-22  
Historic Residential Resources of Redmond MPD (NRHP). City of Redmond, OR. 2020-22  
Bethel Baptist Church, Pocatello, ID. NRHP Nomination. 2021  
Center for Wooden Boats, Seattle, WA. City of Seattle Landmark Nomination. 2020-21  
Wagner Floating Home, Seattle, WA. City of Seattle Landmark Nomination. 2020-21  
W. D. Gibbon General Store, Maple Valley, WA. City of Maple Valley Landmark Nomination. 2020  
Florence Crittenton Home of Seattle, Seattle, WA. City of Seattle Landmark Nomination. 2020  
UW Sieg Hall, Seattle, WA. Sub-contractor to BOLA Architecture + Planning. City of Seattle Landmark Nomination. 2019  
Robbins House, Boise, ID. State of Idaho's Women 100 Initiative. NRHP Nomination. 2019-20  
Greenwood School, Hazelton, ID. State of Idaho's Women 100 Initiative. NRHP Nomination. 2019-20  
NASA Lunar Roving Vehicles. City of Kent. WA Heritage Register. 2018-20  
Fort Nisqually Living History Museum, Tacoma. Reconnaissance-level survey and report. 2019  
Ronnei-Raum House, Fall City. King County Landmark Nomination. 2019  
Herald Building, Enumclaw. Reconnaissance-level survey for SEPA mitigation. 2019  
Surrey Building, Bellevue. Intensive-level survey for Section 106 mitigation. 2019  
Issaquah Auto Freight Co. Building. City of Issaquah / King County Landmark Nomination. 2018-19  
Gilman Town Hall. City of Issaquah / King County Landmark Nomination. 2017-18  
Buchanan House. City of Kirkland / King County Landmark Nomination. 2017-18  
Boeing Airplane Co. Building. City of Tukwila / King County Landmark Nomination. 2017-18  
Redmond Downtown Historic District. City of Redmond, OR / National Register of Historic Places. 2016-17  
Saint Edward Seminary Building. City of Kenmore / King County Landmark Nomination. 2016-17  
Campbell Building. City of Seattle Landmark Nomination. 2016-17  
Crescent-Hamm Building. City of Seattle Landmark Nomination. 2016-17  
Records Management Plan. Office of Advancement, Gift Services. University of Washington. Seattle, Washington. 2016  
National Register Review and Consultation. As National Register Coordinator / Historian for the Kansas SHPO, I researched, wrote, edited, and/or reviewed more than 300 nominations to the National Register of Historic Places. Nominations covered a broad range of property types including farmsteads, historic trails and roads, cemeteries, and commercial and residential properties.

Additionally, I reviewed and collaborated with consultants on four statewide-focused Multiple Property Documentation Forms. 2006-15  
Temple Cemetery. NRHP Nomination. Nashville, Tennessee. 2004  
St. Paul's AME Church. NRHP Nomination. Fayetteville, Tennessee. 2003  
Trail of Tears National Historic Trail Cost-Share Challenge Project. 2002-03  
Matt Gardner Homestead Preservation Plan. Giles County, Tennessee. 2003  
Preservation, Restoration and Interpretation Plan for Rest Hill Cemetery. Lebanon, Tennessee. 2002

## **PUBLICATIONS and MANUSCRIPTS and COMMUNICATIONS**

Editor of and regular contributor to Historic Wallingford's e-newsletter, 2018-present

Occasional contributor to *Architect Biographies*, an online feature of the Washington DAHP

- Victor W. Voorhees (1876-1970), a Seattle-based Architect

Occasional contributor to *Atlas Obscura*, a collaborative online magazine, 2015-16

- Teapot Dome Service Station. Zillah, WA. 2016
- Satsop Nuclear Power Plant. Elma, WA. 2016
- Ronald Reagan Minuteman Site. Cooperstown, ND. 2016
- Paul Bunyan & Babe the Blue Ox. Bemidji, MN. 2015

Regular contributor to *Kansas Preservation*, a publication of the Kansas Historical Society. 2006-15

Quarterly press releases. National & State Register Program. Kansas SHPO. 2006-15

"Review of *Remembering Roadside America: Preserving the Recent Past as Landscape and Place*, by John A. Jakle and Keith A. Sculle." *Kansas History: A Journal of the Central Plains* 35, 3 (2012): 214.

"Review of *A Cherokee Woman's America: Memoirs of Narcissa Owen, 1831-1907*," edited by Karen L. Kilcup. *Tennessee Historical Quarterly* 66, 4 (2007): 376-377.

"Preserving Chattanooga's 'Sacred Acre': The Daughters of the American Revolution and Brainerd Mission Cemetery," *Border States: Journal of the Kentucky-Tennessee American Studies Association* 15 (2005): 25-35.

"Shaping History, Constructing Culture: The Daughters of the American Revolution and the Transformation of Chattanooga's Brainerd Mission Cemetery." MA Thesis. 2004.

Old House Series (local architectural style guides). Online. Metropolitan Historical Commission, Nashville, Tennessee. 2003

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Presentations to King County Landmarks Commission. King County, Washington. 2018-present

Presentations to City of Seattle's Landmarks Preservation Board. Seattle, Washington. 2017-present

Presenter, *Researching the History of a Property in Seattle*. Hosted by Historic Seattle & Black Heritage Society of Washington State. May 2023

[Virtual Tour: The Wagner Houseboat](#), Historic Seattle. November 2021

Contributing presenter, [Seattle's Maritime History – Lake Union, virtual event](#), Historic Seattle. June 2021

Presenter, *From Canvas Tents to the Contemporary: An Overview of Redmond's Historic Residential Architecture*, virtual event hosted by City of Redmond, Oregon. May 2021

Third Friday Speaker, Center for Wooden Boats. March 2021

[NASA's Lunar Rovers](#). Part of Historic Seattle's virtual education series *Preservation Station*. July 2020

Presentation on the Lunar Rover to Kent City Council. July 2019

Presentation on the Lunar Rover to City of Kent Economic Development Council. May 2019

Quarterly presentations to Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review. Topeka, Kansas. 2006-2015

*National Register Basics: Criteria & Integrity*. Our Town. Osawatomie, Kansas. 2014

*Researching Historic Properties*. Our Town. Osawatomie, Kansas. 2014

*Highlights of KU Historic Districts*. Elizabeth Miller Watkins Alumnae Brunch. Lawrence, Kansas. 2014  
*Farmsteads and the National Register*. Kansas Barn Alliance. Abilene, Kansas. 2014  
*Navigating the National Register*. Kansas State Historic Preservation Conference. Newton, Kansas. 2010

## **AWARDS**

Co-recipient, Charles Payton Award for Heritage Advocacy for the Seattle-Tacoma Pet Cemetery King County Landmarking effort. Association of King County Heritage Organizations. 2023  
Supporting Partner in Southwest Seattle Historical Society's "We Love the Junction" Campaign. Historic Seattle. 2017  
Certificate of Merit for Temple Cemetery National Register of Historic Places Nomination. Tennessee Historical Commission. 2004

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

Pre-Qualified Consultant. Idaho Department of Transportation. 2022-present  
Women's Business Enterprise certification. Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprise. State of Washington. 2019-present

## **RELATED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & MEMBERSHIPS**

Director. Historic Wallingford (Seattle), Board of Directors, current  
Member. Pacific Northwest Historians Guild, current  
Member. Association of King County Heritage Organizations, current  
Member. Historic Seattle, current  
Member. Washington Trust for Historic Preservation, current  
Member. Kansas Historical Society, current  
Member. HPF Grants Advisory Committee, Washington DAHP, appointed 2017  
Member. Lawrence (KS) Preservation Alliance, 2008-15  
Member. Douglas County (KS) Natural & Cultural Heritage Task Force, appointed 2010-11  
Adviser. Kansas Barn Alliance, 2008-15