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Trust for Architectural Easements Promotes Architectural History and Historic Preservation Education

January 2, 2009, WASHINGTON –Laura L. Thornton, Director of Education for the Trust for Architectural Easements, summarizes the present state of historic preservation education in the primary and secondary schools through a review of resources available to teachers who seek to teach historic preservation to their students in the inaugural issue of Preservation Education and Research.

The Trust for Architectural Easements promotes educational programs in architectural history and historic preservation as part of its mission to save America's historic architecture. Thornton develops and leads educational workshops in architecture, historic preservation and urban design, for inner-city public school students.

The Trust is one of only a few organizations promoting historic preservation education in the primary and secondary schools. Thornton's article examines a sampling of websites devoted to the teaching of historic preservation to young people, and posits recommendations for furthering historic preservation education in the primary and secondary schools.

The Trust for Architectural Easements is one of the nation's largest not-for-profit organizations dedicated to voluntary preservation through easement donations. The Trust protects more than 800 historic buildings across the United States. For more information about the Trust's educational programs, local preservation efforts, the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentive Program and the donation process, contact the Trust at 1-888-831-2107 or visit www.architecturaltrust.org.

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