The Rocky Mountain Chapter, in cooperation with the Western and Pacific Northwest Chapters, of the Association for Preservation Technology International (APTI) is hosting “Mesa to Mountain: Preservation in the American West” on March 23-25, 2017, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

With a focus on the theme of “western sites, materials, and conditions” the two-day symposium will include paper sessions, tours, and a keynote address. Presentation tracks and tours will highlight regional contexts unique to the American West, including climatological, geological, and historical aspects that shape the cultural resources and conservation approaches in the region.

The symposium starts on Thursday, March 23rd, with a social event and reception at the historic Alta Club.

Friday begins with keynote addresses from representatives of the NPS National Trails System and Vanishing Treasures programs.

Paper sessions will consist of three simultaneous tracks focusing on Seismic Retrofit of Historic Buildings, Materials and Construction Techniques, and Cultural Resource Management. Friday’s sessions will be in the historic Joseph Smith Memorial Building in downtown Salt Lake City.

On Saturday, attendees will continue learning about these topics during tours of local buildings, sites and manufacturers.

Salt Lake City is a crossroads of the American West and abounds with historic resources and projects that will be of interest to APT members from across the country. Come expand your preservation knowledge and tour interesting historic sites in Utah.

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