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Through our website, email and newsletter, along
with “Fireside Chats,” lectures, exhibits and other
outreach activities, NNDPA actively communicates
about the relevance of the New Deal to current
issues and realities. We provide insight and
perspective on history and its impact, and the many
lessons it offers in the context of America in the
21st Century.

We invite individuals, families, other educational
and historic preservation groups to join NNDPA to
become an active member in our continuing effort
to preserve important pieces of American history
and New Deal treasures in NM towns and counties,
including the above fountain.

The “New Deal” was a significant period of time in
our country’s history (1933-1943), when President
Franklin Roosevelt’s administration created various
economic relief programs that played a pivotal role
in providing employment that enabled America to grow
out of the Great Depression.

These programs were designed to help people help
themselves and their communities. These labor-
intensive efforts built numerous public structures all
over the country, implemented conservation activities
to preserve the land, and provided many social service
projects. Arts and cultural programs were brought
to distant communities; public buildings were
enhanced with art; and our people and their activities
were recorded. A great deal of this is still intact, but
needs attention before this important legacy is lost.

Obvious parallels exist between the historical New Deal
and America’s current challenges. The New Deal clearly
offers many lessons that can serve as a blueprint for
renewing American prosperity and ingenuity. Keep on
learning...

www.newdeallegacy.org
Who We Are

The National New Deal Preservation Association (NNDPA) and its New Mexico Chapter are non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organizations devoted to preserving the country’s New Deal legacy, through the identification, documentation, preservation and public education about the New Deal and its profound impact on Americans in the Great Depression—specifically through the visual and performing arts, literature, crafts, structures and environmental projects. Many important historical program start-ups remain and impact us daily.

97 artists created approximately 800 artworks in New Mexico.

We are individuals—scholars, researchers, archivists, history buffs, librarians, educators, and other citizens—who lived through the New Deal or remember the stories family members told them about their experiences of living through it.

Today a great part of America’s story and history is being overlooked and forgotten. Generations of people from the 1950s forward have no knowledge, understanding or appreciation for our country’s New Deal efforts.

New Mexico Chapter

New Mexico is one of the most active states in the nation with a variety of New Deal programs. Talented artists of Anglo, Hispanic, African American and Native American heritage, created a vast array of distinctive murals, paintings, sculptures, pottery, carvings and southwest themed designs, including furniture and tinwork, under New Deal art programs. Authors and songwriters were involved as well. Since 1999, the NM CHAPTER has spent $600,000 conserving, restoring and preserving public New Deal Art in 17 NM towns, with work yet to be done in other communities.

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Bosque del Apache Wildlife Refuge
Bandelier National Monument
National Park Service Regional Headquarters-Santa Fe
Hyde Park State Park-Santa Fe
Carlsbad River Park
Conchas Dam and facilities
Bottomless Lakes Park
Elephant Butte Recreational Area
Carlsbad Caverns National Park
White Sands National Monument
Chaco Canyon

New Mexico’s New Deal

Preserving Its Legacy

In 1930, 433,317 people lived in New Mexico. By 1935, half of them worked in one or more New Deal programs. They built projects that are now taken for granted but still serve us:

- 15 courthouses
- 400 schools
- City halls
- City and State Parks, Monuments
- Airports, Dams, Post Offices
- Museums
- Libraries
- Bosque Farms — A New Deal Resettlement town
- Infrastructure — Roads, water and sewer systems
- State-wide Rural Electrification Assoc. (REA)

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“Governor Greets the Tourists”
Pab/ita Ver/arde
Bandelier National Monument

“Spanish Colonial Design”
(One of 50 plates)
Elizabeth “E” Boyd
Multiple sites in NM

“Cowboy on Horseback”
Howard Schieffer
Gallup, NM

“CCC Worker Statue”
in Santa Fe, T or C, and Bandelier National Monument

“Voices of the Earth”
Will Shuster, Santa Fe, NM

“Aspens”
Sheldon Parsons
Gallup, NM

“Picuris Pueblo”
Helmuth Naumer
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