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Editors’ Note

Welcome to the first issue of Texas State University’s Public History newly titled journal, Intersect: New Perspectives in Texas Public History. This journal was created as part of a Public History Project course with Prof. Utley, with the goal of giving the participants (myself and Russell Hill) experience in the editing and creating processes of a journal. While originally intended to be an online publication, it eventually turned into the physical, bound journal that is before you now. While we have gained valuable information from this project, we are also glad at giving Texas State University’s own Public History students the chance to become published through the journal. University publications just like this one can be a great boon to all involved, as it has been for me.

The essays contained within range from the discussion of a murdered Texan-German POW, the fight for equality in Texas major league baseball, the lasting impact of a school on Hays County, and more. It is hoped that the discussion of such topics can show the reader how public history is not only a superb venue for learning of the past, but also how it permeates into the present and can be found with just a little bit of digging in the right direction. Such a variety of topics tells us, personally, that everything has a story, and all it needs is a willing individual to help tell itself to the world.

In each article, the author negotiates contemporary issues facing public historians to contribute new perspectives to the public history profession. It is the hope of these authors that the works in this issue, as well as future issues, will continue to inform future practice, research, and scholarship.

- John Ferrell, Editor
- Russell Hill, Editor