



# Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps

*Building a Pathway to the Preservation Trades*



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## **Northern Bedrock holds historic cemetery restoration training led by renowned gravestone preservationist.**

Duluth, MN – Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps (Northern Bedrock) is working with renowned gravestone preservationist, Jonathan Appell, from West Hartford, CT. Appell will be holding a two-day workshop, June 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, at Forest Hill Cemetery to train Northern Bedrock's crews on how to properly clean and restore gravestones, with an emphasis on lifting and resetting large historic gravestones and monuments within the cemetery.

Appell brings a wide range of knowledge with over thirty years of experience working to preserve historic graveyards and cemeteries. He now focuses on educating and training people on how to preserve gravestones and cemetery monuments. Appell states, "Gravestone conservation and historic stone preservation has become the art and science of preserving all we can of our heritage carved in stone. By conserving historic gravestones, we help preserve that stone for future generations and for ourselves see a glimpse of the past."

Appell will work with Northern Bedrock's crews to provide hands on training on the process of cemetery restoration. Crews will utilize this education to clean and restore cemeteries across the state of Minnesota during Northern Bedrock's six month field season.

Forest Hill Cemetery  
2516 Woodland Avenue, Duluth, MN 55803  
June 12-13, 2017 | 8:00am – 6:30pm

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### **About Northern Bedrock**

Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps was established in 2011 to meet two converging needs: an aging stock of historic structures and landscapes in need of maintenance and repair, and a growing need to create a pathway for young adults into the preservation trades workforce. Northern Bedrock utilizes a corps model and partners with trades professionals to provide young adults with hands on experience and training in the historic preservation trades. Our AmeriCorps program works with young adults, 18-25 years old, from across the region. Corpsmembers work at project sites across Minnesota and receive training in a variety of preservation areas over a six month field season. Northern Bedrock is a member of The Corps Network. Learn more about Northern Bedrock at [northernbedrockcorps.org](http://northernbedrockcorps.org)

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