



St. Vrain Mill  
Mora, New Mexico

*The Saint Vrain Mill Preservation  
and Historical Foundation*

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**Save the St. Vrain Mill**

**Overview:** In 2013, several members of the Mora community established The Saint Vrain Mill Preservation and Historical Foundation for the specific purpose of buying and restoring the St. Vrain Mill in Mora. The Foundation acquired title to the Mill in June 2015, immediately embarking on a fundraising campaign to stabilize the Mill’s foundation and begin restoration. We are soliciting membership in the Foundation, as well as contributions for our continuing restoration efforts.

**About the Mill:** “The St. Vrain Mill in Mora, New Mexico, was built in 1864 by Ceran St. Vrain. It is a stone structure and is the most dominant structure in Mora today. In 1972 the mill was added to the National Register of Historic Places and, in 2002, it was added to the List of Ten Most Endangered Historical Places in New Mexico. The stone structure of the mill is 50 feet by 40 feet. It is three stories high with the third story being wood siding.” From *A Brief History of the St. Vrain Mill* by Ray Marchi, available at [http://www.moravalley.com/st\\_vrain\\_mill.html](http://www.moravalley.com/st_vrain_mill.html)

While the most immediate threats to the Mill, the unstable foundation and damaged gables, have been dealt with, major work is still required to repair both the east and west walls and to replace the metal roof. The building itself is all that remains of the working Mill as most of the significant equipment was removed decades ago. The exact end-use of the Mill is still to be determined, but it will serve a community purpose. At this time, the most feasible use may be to have the Mill be the site of a cultural and heritage center telling the stories of the generational families of Mora County.

**About the Foundation:** The Saint Vrain Mill Preservation and Historical Foundation is a not for profit corporation registered in New Mexico. It also has 501 (c) (3) federal tax-exempt status. While the Foundation’s current focus is on the Mill itself, its charter also provides for acquisition of other properties in Mora related to the life of Ceran St. Vrain. Membership in the Foundation is open to individuals, businesses and organizations. *For more information, contact Merl Witt (575) 387-5615, E-mail: [greyspirit@nmt.net](mailto:greyspirit@nmt.net).*

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**Membership/Contribution – Please Join Us!**

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**Annual Membership**

**\$25 Individual/Family;**  **\$10 Student;**  **\$20 Senior**  **\$100 Business/Organization**

**Additional contribution**

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