

Photo exhibit captures Nevada mines

The Comstock History Center Museum is hosting a photo exhibit entitled *Vanishing Icons: A Look Back at Comstock Mines and Mills*.

In 1980, a documentation project was undertaken on the Comstock to record the remains of historic mine and mill sites originally built throughout Virginia City, Gold Hill, Silver City and Dayton during the late 1800s and early 1900s. The exhibit features 16 large-format, black and white photographs from this project.

As part of the Historic American Engineering Record, the project was sponsored by the U.S. Department of Interior and conducted by the National Park Service. It involved surveying, photographing and creating a written description for the structural remains of each mine or mill, including historical, operational and architectural data. Until now, these images have never been publicly displayed.

The Comstock History Center Museum is located at 20 N. E St. in Virginia City, two blocks downhill from the Bucket of Blood Saloon. Admission is free and the museum is open on Thursdays and Fridays from 10am-4:30pm and Saturdays from 10am-5pm.