

# Esperanto-USA Special Committee

## Name:

**English:** Esperanto-USA 75th Anniversary Committee

**Esperanto:** Komitato pri la 75-a datreveno de Esperanto-USA

**Date:** March 2026

## Charge

Originally founded in 1952, 2027 will mark the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Esperanto-USA (as the Esperanto League for North America). This committee will propose and support projects marking the 75th anniversary of Esperanto-USA.

## Responsibilities

The committee will propose anniversary projects and submit them to the Board for approval. After approval, the committee will work to plan and carry out each project, and may collaborate with the Central Office, other committees, or individual volunteers to do so.

The committee will develop a project timeline with milestones. Foundational projects will reach completion by the end of 2026. Major programming will align with the 2027 Landa Kongreso, marking the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Esperanto League for North America.

## Priority Projects

1. Commission a 75th anniversary logo for organizational use.
2. Work with the Publishing Project Committee on an expanded reissue of *A History of ELNA* by William R. Harmon, fulfilling the author's own invitation for a second edition and updating the historical record through the present day. This expanded edition may also include information about the organized Esperanto movement in the US between 1905 and 1952.
3. Work with the 2027 Congress Location Committee to identify a location with historically significant ties to Esperanto-USA. Examples for consideration include Sacramento, California and Madison, Wisconsin.
4. Work with the 2027 Congress Planning Committee to design anniversary programming for the Landa Kongreso.
5. Coordinate outreach and social media aimed at the wider Esperanto community as well as non-Esperantists in the US.

## Additional Possible Projects

6. Publish historical articles about Esperanto-USA in *Usona Esperantisto*, building on and extending the historical record established by Harmon and others.
7. Work with the Merchandising Committee to design anniversary merchandise such as t-shirts.

8. Develop an oral history project with recorded interviews with longtime members.
9. Create a digital timeline highlighting key moments in the organization's history.

## **Chair: Izaak Zawyrucha-Moore**

### **Responsibilities**

Lead meetings and guide progress toward approved goals. Submit project proposals, funding requests, and progress reports to the president and Board.

## **Vice-Chair: Bradford Smith**

### **Responsibilities**

Assist with committee operations and planning. Lead meetings when the chair is absent. Assume chair responsibilities during extended absence.

## **Membership**

### **Responsibilities**

Members take part in project planning, outreach, and execution. Members are expected to attend meetings and contribute to approved projects.

### **Members**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Status</b>
Izaak Zawyrucha-Moore		Chair
Bradford Smith		Vice Chair
Elle Beck		Member
David Beck		Member

## **Approval of Charter**

Date of original Board approval: 3/8/2026

Date of renewal (if applicable): n/a