



## US/ICOMOS at Work

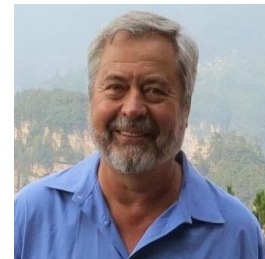
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*Welcome to "US/ICOMOS at Work" e-news blast, a monthly update on what US/ICOMOS is doing to preserve and promote world heritage and international knowledge exchange on preservation topics. We share these brief communications monthly with our members and supporters.*

— LATEST NEWS & EVENTS —

### *A Message from US/ICOMOS Board Chair Douglas Comer: Help us Find our Next Trustees*



Dear Members and Friends of US/ICOMOS,

It has been an honor to serve as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of US/ICOMOS since October 2016. As events around the world and here at home have us constantly re-evaluating our vision, strategies, abilities and effectiveness in accomplishing our important work, the leadership of US/ICOMOS must evolve.

Among the most significant ways to strengthen our organization is to build our 21-person board. US/ICOMOS is fortunate to have a working board where each member makes major contributions to the programmatic and fiscal advancement of the organization. In 2018, up to four vacant trustee positions will be filled.

The US/ICOMOS Nominating Committee welcomes your nomination of candidates to fill the positions. In selecting trustees, US/ICOMOS strives to maintain a diversity of backgrounds, experiences and geography. Emerging professionals and individuals with expertise in development and communications are especially welcomed. [A list of qualifications for trustees can be found here.](#)

The Nominating Committee urges US/ICOMOS members to forward nominations of qualified persons to the Committee at [nominations@usicomos.org](mailto:nominations@usicomos.org) by May 1st. The nominations should include: (1) an email from the nominator, (2) the nominee's short biography (not to exceed one page), and (3) the nominee's statement of goals if elected and a description as to what makes him or her a qualified candidate (not to exceed 250 words). The Nominating Committee will then prepare a slate of candidates for consideration by the Board, and the approved slate will be sent to the membership for their vote.

My great thanks to you for your participation in this important process. I look forward to building

on our great success.

With my best regards,

Douglas C. Comer, Ph.D.

Chairman, US/ICOMOS

## **[Register Now to Attend "Interpreting and Representing Slavery" Conference, March 19-21 in Charlottesville, VA](#)**



Identifying resonant approaches to communicate our shared history of slavery - portraying the horrors of slavery as well as the feelings, thoughts, resistance, creativity and resilience of enslaved peoples - remains a challenge (pictured left, slave dwelling at the Monticello World Heritage Site). This conference will bring together international experts to discuss this challenge and ways to move forward.

This conference is sponsored by [Thomas Jefferson's Monticello](#), the [University of Virginia](#), and US/ICOMOS in collaboration with the UNESCO [Slave Route Project: Resistance, Liberty, and Heritage](#). Attendance is limited: [please register now](#).

## **[The International Exchange Program Needs Your Support](#)**

For more than three decades, the IEP has built bridges between nations by promoting mutual understanding and trust among heritage professionals.

2018 continues our tradition of advancing the next generation of heritage professionals via the IEP. The US/ICOMOS IEP Committee, led by Trustee Mr. Brian Michael Lione ('99, Jordan), requests your financial assistance to help underwrite the considerable costs of this program, including international transportation, insurance, lodging and stipends.

Your generosity will help determine how many talented young professionals participate in 2018. [Our past and future IEP interns appreciate your generous support!](#) Below: the IEP Class of 2017 celebrates a summer of learning and adventure.



**[ISC In Depth: ICAHM](#)**

Throughout 2018, we will feature one International Scientific Committee (ISC) per month in *US/ICOMOS at Work* in order to highlight the work of the ISC and provide potential members with information about how to join. Please note that in order to be considered for ISC membership, you must first be an International member of US/ICOMOS. If you have not yet joined ICOMOS for 2018, [you can join here](#).



This month's ISC is ICAHM, the International Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management, described by ICAHM President, John Peterson.

*1. Tell us your name, occupation, employer and few words about your interest in ICAHM.*

Dr. John A. Peterson. I am Assistant Vice President for Graduate Studies, Research and Sponsored Programs at the University of Guam and former Director of the Micronesian Area Research Center. I have been active in Museum Studies in Texas and in the Philippines, and was Director of a Living Historical Farm and Agricultural Museum in Ohio as well as having contributed to the initiation of the Kabilin Heritage Center at the University of San Carlos Museum in Cebu, Philippines.

*2. Tell us about the work of ICAHM in a few sentences.*

ICAHM provides leadership for stewardship of archaeological world heritage, promotes conservation and heritage management strategies, supports nomination to tentative lists and World Heritage (WH) nominations, coordinates membership around central themes of heritage management, sponsors annual meetings and conference sessions, and publishes relevant topics for general readership (19 volumes in print with Springer Press).

*3. What are the qualifications for membership in your committee and how should potential members apply?*

Members should have a solid grounding in archaeology but also in the management of archaeological heritage. Expert and Associate members will combine both interests and experience, having a special connection to the management of archaeological heritage and especially where it is focused on the archaeology.

- Expert members must demonstrate the following: membership in ICOMOS; competency in archaeological heritage management with a reasonable degree of professional experience; sufficient educational training; and, most importantly, willingness to participate in the activities of ICAHM.
- Associate members (non-voting) are members of ICOMOS who wish to build up their interest and expertise in the field of archaeological heritage management.
- Affiliate members may have broader backgrounds and interests. Those with skills in museums, historical structures, and cultural landscapes will be interested in ICAHM where archaeological sites intersect with those themes.

For Expert and Associate levels, ICOMOS membership is required but anyone interested can join as an Affiliate. [More information and an application are available at this link](#).

*4. How do members participate in ICAHM (meetings, online conversations, etc.)?*

Annual meetings, Society sessions, ICOMOS meetings, website, email lists for executive board and for membership,

*5. Once they have been accepted, how do you recommend new members get involved?*

New members can participate in meetings and can contribute to monitoring efforts of need for support for new inscriptions and management topics with existing WH sites with archaeological components.

*6. Is there anything else that you would like prospective members to know?*

ICAHM has the largest membership among the ISCs. This is due partly to outreach by former co-Presidents Comer and Willems and partly to the urgently needed mission for heritage preservation in the face of global threats from terrorism, climate change, and misanthropic governments. Archaeological components of existing WH sites have often been unrecognized and unmanaged, but new focus by the Salalah Doctrine provides the tools to redress that. New sites

with archaeological components can be scrutinized to address those needs; new site inscriptions for primarily archaeological sites and landscapes can be developed and supported in individual member States of ICOMOS/WH.

— OF NOTE —

## ***Join Us: [National Historic Preservation Advocacy Week Begins March 12th](#)***



US/ICOMOS will be educating advocates about its [efforts to encourage US leaders to continue engagement in the World Heritage Program](#) at Advocacy Week 2018, March 12-14 at the Hamilton Hotel in Washington, DC.

Advocacy Week is our annual opportunity to have a mass impact on opinion leaders and policy makers. Your voice is needed now more than ever. Learn more and [register to participate here](#).

Have you renewed your membership for 2018?

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