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New US/ICOMOS Board Members

The US/ICOMOS Annual Meeting was held the afternoon of Friday, June 1 during the 2012 US/ICOMOS International Symposium in San Antonio, Texas. Presentations at the meeting were made by Chair George Skarmeas, Treasurer Jeff Soule, and Vice Chair Jan C.K. Anderson, who presented the slate of nominations for the Board of Trustees. The vote was followed with a report to the general membership by Director Donald Jones.

US/ICOMOS welcomes new Board members Jeff Eley (GA), Kathleen Kilpatrick (VA), and Anthony Pell (MA) and would like to acknowledge a special thanks to outgoing Board members Susan Dunham, Nan Gutterman, Michael Mills, Grover Mouton, and Jon Smith. Fortunately, Jon Smith will be staying involved with US/ICOMOS as the Ex-Officio representative of the National Park Service.

2013 US/ICOMOS Symposium to be held in Savannah May 2-4 2013

The Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) will host the 16th US/ICOMOS International Symposium May 2-4, 2013 in Savannah, GA. New Board member Jeff Eley, Chair of SCAD’s Department of Historic Preservation, is the Chair of the 2013 US/ICOMOS International Symposium Committee.

About the Savannah College of Art and Design

SCAD has been a leader in restoring and adaptively reusing many of Savannah’s architectural treasures within or near the Savannah National Historic Landmark District and has earned recognition from the Historic Savannah Foundation, the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation, the Art Deco Societies of the Americas, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the International Downtown Association, the Victorian Society in America, and the American Institute of Architects, among others. Recently SCAD Hong Kong was awarded an honorable mention for the revitalization of the former North Kowloon Magistracy Building as part of the 2011 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation. The Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation recognized the restoration of Ivy Hall at SCAD Atlanta in 2009.

SCAD recently opened an addition to the SCAD Museum of Art. This landmark rehabilitation project, the largest in SCAD history, advances the university’s award-winning legacy of adaptive reuse and urban revitalization.

More information on SCAD can be found at the following links:
- Savannah College of Art and Design
  http://www.scad.edu/
- SCAD Department of Historic Preservation
  http://www.scad.edu/historic-preservation/index.cfm
- SCAD Museum of Art
  http://www.scadmoa.org/
Mission San Jose was the site of the welcome dinner/40th anniversary celebration of the World Heritage Convention during the 15th US/ICOMOS International Symposium, May 31-June 2, 2012 in San Antonio, Texas

Theme of the 2013 US/ICOMOS International Symposium

The theme of the symposium is "The Historic Center and the Next City: Envisioning Urban Heritage Evolution," with the goal of attracting architects, educators, heritage managers and preservationists from all fields to discuss the evolution of our historic urban centers and how they may provide inspiration for the future.

A call for abstracts is being compiled and will be distributed shortly.

Save the Dates for Other US/ICOMOS Programs and Activities

August 15, 2012 (Wednesday) - Reception for the 2012 US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program (Board Room of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC)

November 2, 2012 (Friday) - US/ICOMOS International Breakfast (National Preservation Conference, Spokane, WA)

November 15, 2012 (Thursday) - Ann Webster Smith Award Benefit Dinner (Cosmos Club, Washington, DC)

2012 US/ICOMOS Symposium Photos on the US/ICOMOS Facebook Page

While a summary of the 2012 US/ICOMOS Symposium is being prepared, we hope you will visit and “like” the US/ICOMOS Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/pages/USICOMOS/115329128554547 to see photos of the event.

The evening culminated with enthusiastic remarks from Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar, who announced he approved the nomination of the San Antonio Franciscan Missions to the World Heritage List!

The annual US/ICOMOS International Symposium is one of the primary ways US/ICOMOS brings international attention to cultural heritage preservation. Again, please visit and “like” our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/pages/USICOMOS/115329128554547 to see photos of the event.

US/ICOMOS congratulates all of the people and organizations in San Antonio and throughout Texas who worked so diligently in this endeavor to support and promote the San Antonio Franciscan Missions.

A full report on the symposium and all its related events is forthcoming.

AIDS Memorial Quilt to be Displayed at the National Building Museum

In conjunction with the 25th anniversary of the AIDS Memorial Quilt, the International AIDS Conference to be held in Washington, DC in July, and the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, the full AIDS Memorial Quilt will be displayed for the first time in 16 years at various venues across Washington. A portion of the Quilt (500 panels) will be displayed in the Great Hall of the National Building Museum from July 21-25, 2012. The panels selected for display in the National Building Museum will pay specific tribute to designers, architects, engineers, and others connected to the building industry who have lost their lives to AIDS.

The US/ICOMOS Secretariat is located in the National Building Museum at 401 F Street, NW, Suite 331, Washington, DC.

For more information, please visit http://quilt2012.org/.

For the National Building Museum display specifically, please visit
A portion of the AIDS Memorial Quilt will be displayed in the National Building Museum’s Great Hall. The panels selected will pay specific tribute to designers, architects, and others connected to the building industry who have lost their lives to AIDS.

Richard Morris Hunt Fellowship Applications

The Richard Morris Hunt Fellowship is an intensive six-month, $25,000 award for registered architects to pursue research related to contemporary challenges in historic preservation and urban design. The American Architectural Foundation and the French Heritage Society established the Hunt Fellowship in 1990, and it continues to foster and support cross-cultural professional exchange between France and French design professionals studying in the U.S. during alternate years.

For more information about the Fellowship and how to apply (copy and past in browser): http://www.archfoundation.org/2012/02/2013-rmhf-application/

The deadline for applications is July 31, 2012. Please direct questions to eblazevich@archfoundation.org.

International Urban Parks Conference

Greater & Greener - Reimagining Parks for the 21st Century Cities
July 14-17, 2012 in New York City

Notice from the City Parks Alliance - Calling all park professionals, city officials, nonprofit executives, urban designers, health practitioners, park advocates and anyone who cares about green spaces! City Parks Alliance presents Greater & Greener--Reimagining Parks for 21st Century Cities, July 14-17, 2012, New York City, the premiere international urban parks conference. Over four days, we'll explore how urban parks will be designed, developed, programmed, funded and sustained to meet future demands. Customize your own conference! Choose from more than 100 workshops, behind-the-scenes tours, a volunteer day, and receptions in great parks. Don't miss out, register now: http://www.cityparksalliance.org/

2013 National Main Streets Conference - Call for Presentations
New Orleans, Louisiana: April 14-16, 2013

This year, the 2013 National Main Streets Conference will explore the Creative Economy, seeking out ways in which local communities and regions can benefit from leveraging the ideas, the people, and the unique assets that set them apart.

For information on developing content for the conference, please visit http://www.preservationnation.org/main-street/training/conference/2013neworleans/2013-content-development.html

Contact the National Main Streets Conference at: msconference@savingplaces.org or 202.588.6219 for more information.

LCCHP Conference in Washington, DC
From Plunder to Preservation:
The Untold Story of Cultural Heritage, World War II, and the Pacific A Conference Marking the 70th Anniversaries of the Battles of of the Coral Sea, Midway, and Guadalcanal
Thursday, November 8, 2012 - Friday, November 9, 2012

Sponsored by the Lawyer's Committee for Cultural Heritage Preservation. For more information, please visit the conference website at http://www.culturalheritagelaw.org/warinthepacific

2012 US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program

The participants of the 2012 class of the US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program are working across the US and the globe on their summer internships. The final reception will be held the evening of Wednesday, August 15, 2012 in Washington, DC.

The 2012 class is listed below:

1. Emily Klassen (Alexandria, VA USA) is working with the State Department’s Overseas Building Operation in Arlington, VA;
2. Jesse Lattig (Philadelphia, PA USA) is working with Falmouth Heritage Renewal in Jamaica;

3. Daniel Watts (Charleston, SC USA) also is working with Falmouth Heritage Renewal in Jamaica;

4. Ann Nguyen (Savannah, GA USA) is working with the Mediterranean Centre in Split, Croatia;

5. Milton Perry (Athens, GA USA) is working with the Mediterranean Centre in Split, Croatia;

6. Mesut Dinler (Turkey) is working with the Historic Charleston Foundation, South Carolina;

7. Fabiana Aguilera Yambay (Paraguay) is working with Clemson University, Charleston, South Carolina; and

8. Mohammed (Nabil) Ali (Egypt) is working with the Presidio in San Francisco, California.

The final program will be held in mid-August in Washington, DC with the final reception being scheduled for the evening of August 15th. The reception will be held in the Board Room of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

World Heritage Video Challenge

To help mark the 40th Anniversary of the World Heritage Convention, the National Park Service, HISTORY, and the U.S. National Commission for UNESCO announce a video challenge “Why do you think U.S. World Heritage sites are important to the world?”

Selected video submissions may be chosen for broadcasting on the HISTORY network as part of their focus on World Heritage. Submissions will be accepted until October 15, 2012.

For more information, including instructions on submitting a video, please go to http://www.state.gov/p/io/unesco/184012.htm

For more information on the US World Heritage Program, please visit the NPS Office of International Affairs 40th Anniversary website at http://www.nps.gov/oia/topics/worldheritage/World_Heritage_Anniversary.htm

ICAHM’s Annual Meeting in Cuzco

The ICOMOS International Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM) is pleased to announce its international conference on archaeological heritage management, to be held in historic Cuzco, Peru on November 27-30 of this year.

http://www.icomos.org/icahm/cuzco_home.html

Among the worldwide issues for consideration at this meeting are local stakeholder claims on archaeological heritage; sustainable development and community sustainability; tourism pressures and site preservation; heritage and rights; challenges to the validity and value of the World Heritage List as it quickly approaches 1,000 inscribed sites; the World Heritage List decision-making process; impacts of war, civil disorder, and natural disasters on archaeological sites; technical advances in archaeological heritage management.

Ample opportunities exist for tours of Cuzco, Machu Picchu and the Sacred Valley before and after the conference. Contact Happy Tours at: tomtailto.tours@happyperu.com.

ICAHM will publish the best papers from this annual meeting in its publication series with Springer Press, “Multidisciplinary Perspectives in Archaeological Heritage Management.”

Seeking Nominations for the 2012 World Monuments Fund/Knoll Modernism Prize

World Monuments Fund invites nominations for the 2012 World Monuments
Fund/Knoll Modernism Prize. Awarded in fall 2012, the Prize is given to a design professional or firm in recognition of an innovative design solution that preserves or enhances a Modern landmark. A “Call for Nominations” flyer describing the steps and requirements for submissions is attached.

The deadline for nominations is July 31, 2012. Please write to modernism2012@wmf.org with any questions or to submit a nomination.

US/ICOMOS Supports National Archaeology Day
October 20, 2012

US/ICOMOS recently signed on as a supporting organization for the Archaeological Institute of America’s 2012 National Archaeology Day, which will be held October 20. Through this program, the AIA celebrates events and programs across the United States and Canada that promote archaeology and the “thrill of discovery.”

Visit the National Archaeology Day website at http://www.archaeological.org/NAD to learn more.

Other Conference and Workshop Opportunities

Cultural Heritage Management and Indigenous Cultures
by the University of Queensland, Australia
July 1 - July 8 in Florence, Italy

The University of Queensland will be in Florence, Italy in 2012 conducting a course in cultural heritage management and Indigenous cultures. Students and professionals are welcome to attend. The course will explore the fundamental concepts underpinning cultural heritage management within the context of Indigenous cultures. The course will take a strongly practical approach, exposing participants to the statutory frameworks and heritage challenges of Australia and the Pacific, North and South America, and South Africa.

For more information see our link below or contact Andrew Sneddon at a.sneddon@uq.edu.au or visit the web site at http://www.lifebeyonddtourism.org/wp-content/themes/k2/workshop/dett_workshop.asp?id_work=373

International Workshop on Stone Conservation and Urban Regeneration
Organized by DIADRASIS
August 8 - 9, 2012 at Martos, Andalusia, Spain

Application deadline is 20 May 2012.

The workshop is organized by DIADRASIS in agreement with the Junta de Andalucía, under the patronage of ICCROM and in collaboration with the University of York, the council of Martos, the ADSUR, and the IPCE. For further information:

You may find detailed information by accessing the website www.transsylvanianostra.eu or you may request them at: e-mail address hs@transsylvanianostra.eu

Preservation Education Conference

The School of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation at Roger Williams University is hosting a Preservation Education Conference in Bristol, Rhode Island (USA), September 8 to 9, 2012. The goal of the conference is to bring higher education leaders in historic environment programs (e.g., historic preservation/heritage conservation) together from across the globe to present their research and address issues in pedagogy and curriculum development.

School of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation, Roger Williams University, Bristol, Rhode Island, U.S.A.

For more information, contact Jeremy Wells, conference chair, at jwells@rwu.edu.
Cultural Heritage Protection in Times of Risk

Yildiz Technical University and ICOMOS-ICORP (International Committee on Risk Preparedness) are organizing an international symposium on “Cultural Heritage Protection in Times of Risk: Challenges and Opportunities” to be held November 15-17, 2012 in Istanbul Turkey.

The aim of this symposium is to contribute towards developing solutions on an international platform by sharing planned and realized works on defining and mitigating slow as well as catastrophic risks, especially natural and human induced disasters and conflict situations, that threaten cultural heritage in short and long terms.

Deadline is March 20, 2012.

Detailed information can be found by visiting the webpage at http://www.har.yildiz.edu.tr

For further information, please contact the Secretariat at har@yildiz.edu.tr

Rutgers Conference on Cultural Landscapes: Preservation in the 21st Century

Celebrating the 40th anniversary of the World Heritage Convention and the 20th anniversary of the Declaration on Cultural Landscapes, this conference will bring together scholars and professionals from around the world to address the debates over the interrelationship between culture and nature, the challenges of preservation within historic urban landscapes, the development of an integrated approach to identifying and assessing cultural landscapes, and the challenges of developing conservation strategies that reflect the complexities of world cultures and sites and respect their multiple stakeholders.

The conference is sponsored by the Program in Cultural Heritage and Preservation Studies at Rutgers University with the participation of the Center for Art and Cultural Policy Studies, the Woodrow Wilson School (Princeton University), Penn Cultural Heritage Center (University of Pennsylvania), the Bloustein School of Public Policy and Planning (Rutgers University), and the School of Environmental and Biological Sciences/Landscape Architecture (Rutgers University).

The conference will be held October 12-14, 2012 at Rutgers University. More information can be found at http://whc.unesco.org/en/events/812/