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**Reception in San Francisco at the Saint Francis Yacht Club**

### Membership Renewal Reminder

Renew now to receive your 2013 ICOMOS Card! Go to <http://www.usicomos.org/membership>

### Save the Date: Reception for the US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program

The closing reception for the 2013 class of the US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program will be held Wednesday, August 14 (5:30 - 7:30 pm) at the Heurich House/Brewmaster's Castle in Washington, DC. The Heurich House, which will house the new offices of US/ICOMOS, Preservation Action, and Scenic American beginning September 1, is located at 1307 New Hampshire Avenue, NW, just one block south of Dupont Circle.

### Reception Celebrates US/ICOMOS Partnership with the Presidio Trust

US/ICOMOS Board member Andrew Potts recently hosted a reception in San Francisco to celebrate the decade-long partnership between US/ICOMOS and the Presidio Trust. The reception, which was sponsored by Nixon Peabody LLP, was held the evening of Thursday, June 13 at the Saint Francis Yacht Club with its spectacular view of the Golden Gate Bridge.

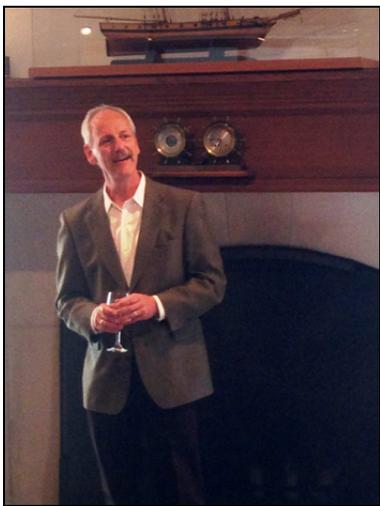
The evening introduced Laura Matarese of Australia, the 2013 US/ICOMOS International Intern being hosted by the Presidio Trust. Laura is the most recent in a long line of US/ICOMOS interns who have worked at the Presidio beginning in 2002, including interns from Argentina, Bulgaria, Egypt, the Philippines, Scotland, and Spain.

Guests in attendance included Craig Middleton (Executive Director, Presidio Trust), Donald Jones (Director, US/ICOMOS), Craig Kenkel (Superintendent, San Francisco National Maritime Historical Park), Anthony Veerkamp (National Trust for Historic Preservation), former US/ICOMOS Vice Chair Stephen Farneth, and representatives from the Australian Consulate. Staff of the Presidio Trust in attendance who have worked with US/ICOMOS interns over the years included Eric Blind (Heritage Programs), Liz Clevenger and Kari Jones (Archaeology Lab), and Rob Thomson (Office of Federal Preservation).

For more information on the Presidio Trust, please visit <http://www.presidio.gov>.

### US/ICOMOS Breakfast and ISC Session at the National Preservation Conference this Fall

US/ICOMOS will be hosting its annual international breakfast at the National Preservation Conference this fall in Indianapolis. In addition, US/ICOMOS is holding a session titled "A World of Preservation Solutions: An Introduction to the ICOMOS international network of preservation experts." The breakfast



Craig Middleton, Executive Director of the Presidio Trust



L-R: Kari Jones, Eric Blind, and Liz Clevenger of the Presidio Trust



Guests at the reception



Golden Gate Bridge from the Saint Francis Yacht Club

will be held the morning of Friday, November 1, and the session will be held later that morning from 10:15 to 11:45am. The session will focus on ICOMOS International Scientific Committees ( or ISCs). Pamela Jerome (ICOMOS Scientific Council) will moderate the session; the panelists will include Jan Anderson (Chair, US/ICOMOS) and US/ICOMOS members Kathleen Crowther, Gunny Harboe, James Reap, and Neil Silberman.

To register for the National Preservation Conference, please go to <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/npc/>

For more information on ICOMOS International Scientific Committees, please go to <http://www.icomos.org/en/network/international-scientific-committees/list-of-international-scientific-committees>

## Preservation Action Joins with US/ICOMOS to Support US Funding of UNESCO

From the PA Legislative Update dated Friday, June 21, 2013 -

Many of our members may be aware of the upcoming issue regarding the United States non-payment of dues to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). A set of laws passed in the US in 1990 and 1994 disallows US funds being paid to organizations that recognize the Palestinian state. In 2011, UNESCO recognized Palestine and the United States has not paid its dues since—even as Israel continues to pay their UNESCO dues. As a result, our membership in UNESCO will lapse in November of 2013. The World Heritage Convention, which is administered by UNESCO, designates significant world heritage sites. Among those in the United States are Independence Hall, the Statue of Liberty, and Monticello.

As a result of our lapsed membership in UNESCO we will lose our voice on World Heritage Sites, including potential sites in Texas and Ohio. Preservation Action has teamed up with US/ICOMOS to tackle the issue here in Washington. We have welcomed a new intern, Parker Jean, to work exclusively on this project. Parker is a student at Santa Monica College and will be working with Preservation Action staff over the next eight weeks to research the issue, prepare briefing papers, lobby Congress, and engage the preservation grassroots to try and have our UNESCO dues paid before our membership lapses. We will continue to keep members updated on this important and disturbing development.

For more information on Preservation Action and for updates, please go to <http://www.preservationaction.org>

## NPCA to Host a Capitol Hill Day to Promote US Funding of UNESCO

On July 9th and 10th, the National Parks Conservation Association will host a Capitol Hill Day to demand Congress take action that would clear a path for fair consideration of World Heritage nominations from the United States. The annual U.S. dues to UNESCO, around 22% of the annual budget, have been in arrears for 2 years as a result of the mandated automatic cuts when Palestine was admitted as a full member of the organization. If payment of dues is not reinstated by November 4, 2013, the next UNESCO general assembly can vote to suspend U.S. membership. Until this is resolved, the sites on the US Tentative list, including the San Antonio Missions (Texas), the Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks (Ohio), Poverty Point (Louisiana), and a group of Frank Lloyd Wright Buildings (various states), are potentially postponed and jeopardized in their ultimate selection.

The Senate Foreign Operations Appropriations Subcommittee the following week will be considering the legislation that contains the language and the money needed to restore the U.S. to good standing. The Administration and several key members of Congress support finding a resolution; the \$79 million is already included in the Appropriations budget, and efforts are underway to authorize a waiver. However, these efforts could be undercut in the Subcommittee review. The NPCA, in a coordinated effort with Texas, Ohio, Louisiana and other states' stakeholders and legislators, are asking for members of the heritage community to spread the word about the importance of World Heritage for these sites. As the first country to ratify the World Heritage Convention in 1973, the U.S. has been a leader in understanding the value of our global, shared heritage.

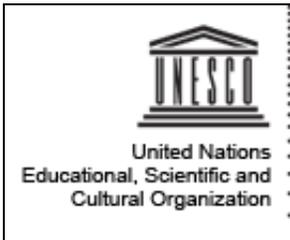
## Congressional Research Service Report on US Funding of



2013 Class of the US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program

L-R: Erin White (USA), Beth Miller (USA), Eduard Krakhmalnikov (USA), Crystal Gates (USA), Laura Matarese (Australia), Lia Farin (Paraguay), Nader Sayadi (Iran), and Nityaa Iyer (India).

### US Funding of UNESCO: A Critical Issue



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### US/ICOMOS is Moving!



Heurich House (Brewmaster's Castle) - the new home of US/ICOMOS on September 1, 2013

## UNESCO

The Congressional Research Service published a background paper on UNESCO and the issue of nonpayment of US dues on March 18, 2013. This report provides an excellent overview of the history of the relationship between the US and UNESCO, funding levels over the years, and the potential implications of withholding dues.

The report can be found at <https://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/row/R42999.pdf>

### San Antonio Express News Supports US Funding of UNESCO

In an editorial published June 14, 2013, the San Antonio Express News outlined their support for the US to continue to support UNESCO.

<http://www.mysanantonio.com/opinion/editorials/article/Mission-critical-pay-U-S-dues-4599219.php>

## Conferences and Other Opportunities

### University Partnership Sought for the National College of Arts, Rawalpindi - Architecture and Heritage Conservation

The Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad announces an open competition for a cooperative agreement to establish an Academic Partnership in Architecture and Heritage Conservation & Management between a U.S. educational institution and the National College of Arts, Rawalpindi Campus (NCA Rawalpindi) in Rawalpindi, Pakistan.

Accredited U.S. four-year colleges and universities meeting the provisions described in Internal Revenue Code section 26 USC 501(c)(3) may submit proposals to pursue institutional or departmental objectives in partnership with the National College of Arts, Rawalpindi Campus. U.S. schools of architecture should be accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) and preservation programs should meet the membership standards of the National Council for Preservation Education (NCPE).

The goal through this partnership with NCA is to help train the next generation of Pakistani experts in Heritage Conservation and Management and to build institutional capacity in this important field in Pakistan. Full details:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=v6gJRGSFyPhDppYCXXH VnjG8wzpZ6bdtGl8whVV4qlMTqQZVpW5y!-488397891?oppld=233136&mode=VIEW>

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### ICOMOS Netherlands Conference

From 23 to 28 September 2013 ICOMOS Netherlands will be organising the conference 'Protecting Deltas, Heritage Helps' in Amsterdam. Examples from Venice, Amsterdam, Cambodia and many other places will show that heritage can be an inspiration for a sustainable future for delta cities and other areas facing water challenges.

The conference promises to be very interesting. Highlights include:

- A keynote address from President of ICOMOS International Mr. Gustavo Araoz
- UNESCO and World Bank speakers linking water and heritage
- Opportunities for discussion with experts from around the world
- A celebratory dinner at the splendidly renovated Rijksmuseum

Registration is now open! Early bird discount is applicable until 1 June 2013.

The conference fee includes all conference program elements. Please note that there is a limited amount of places for this conference.

To register, please visit: ICOMOS Conference.

[http://www.icomosconference.nl/index.php?option=com\\_rsform&formId=3&acm=4\\_10](http://www.icomosconference.nl/index.php?option=com_rsform&formId=3&acm=4_10)



First floor of the Heurich House



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For more information, please contact: [conference@icomos.nl](mailto:conference@icomos.nl).  
Stay informed through the Protecting Deltas Newsletter:  
[www.icomosconference.nl](http://www.icomosconference.nl).  
We hope to welcome you to this conference organized by ICOMOS Netherlands.

**16th International Course On Wood Conservation Technology - ICWCT 2014: A course on the conservation of cultural heritage made of wood**

21 May - 27 June 2014, Oslo, Norway (premises of Riksantikvaren)

Partners -  
ICCROM (International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property)  
Riksantikvaren - The Directorate for Cultural Heritage, Norway  
NTNU - Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway

The ICWCT was initiated as a response to a recommendation from UNESCO's General Conference in 1980, and it has been organized in Norway every second year since 1984. It is directed towards professionals who have been working for some years within the field of wood conservation. The ICWCT covers a wide range of interdisciplinary topics. Theoretical and practical aspects of wood conservation are given equal consideration throughout the course. Some of the most interesting cultural heritage sites constructed in wood in Norway will be visited during the course, including UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Exercises and demonstrations are organized during the excursion.

Participants  
Applicants should be mid-career professionals with a minimum of three years work experience in wood conservation. It is of great importance for the success of the course that the participants have relevant experience to contribute to and benefit from the mutual exchange of ideas. The number of participants is limited to 20.

Applications - Please fill the ICCROM application form (obtainable from ICCROM web site) and send it to the contact address below. (Email applications are welcome. In the event that it is not possible to provide a scanned version of the necessary photographs and signatures, it will also be necessary to send a paper copy.) Together with the application you are also required to send

- A full professional curriculum vitae (in English)
- One page report describing a conservation project related to wood for which you are or have been actively involved and can be shared with the other participants.

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Application deadline  
Applications should reach ICCROM by 30 September 2013 to ensure inclusion in our selection process. Please note that the implementation of the course is subject to the approval of the ICCROM Programme and Budget 2014-2015 by the General Assembly of ICCROM to be held in November 2013.

**Call for Abstracts: Conference by the National Commission of Ukraine for UNESCO**

November 5-7, 2013 in Kyiv, Ukraine

“Problems and experience of the engineering protection of the urbanized territories and a safeguarding of the heritage under conditions of the geo-ecological risk”

ORGANIZED BY  
National Conservation Area “St. Sophia of Kyiv”  
National Kyiv-Pechersk Historical Cultural Preserve

Charitable organization "Charitable Fund St. Sophia"

For more information, please go to <http://proconf2013.kiev.ua/>

**CALL FOR PAPERS - SHA Québec 2014**

47th Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology

Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA) and Advisory Council for Underwater Archaeology (ACUA), 47th Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology to be held from January 8-12, 2014, in Québec City, Canada, on the theme "Questions That Count: A critical evaluation of historical archaeology in the 21st Century". The call for papers is available on the conference web page: [www.sha2014.com](http://www.sha2014.com). Follow us on Twitter #sha2014.

