Welcome to “US/ICOMOS at Work,” 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. Image: Detail of 1909 Plan of Chicago by Daniel Burnham.

— LATEST NEWS & EVENTS —

Please Make Plans Now to Join Us November 12-13 From Wherever You Choose to Locate Your Screen!

We are pleased to announce that this year’s Symposium will be an all-virtual event taking place in two 4-hour sessions on November 12-13.

The Symposium’s sessions are organized around the timely theme of "U.S. World Heritage and Social Justice in the 21st Century." Each day will begin with a keynote presentation via Zoom, followed by three themed sessions. Speakers will present virtually from around the world.
US/ICOMOS 2020 International Symposium:
U.S. World Heritage and Social Justice in the 21st Century

Day One: Social Justice, Civil Rights & Slavery
November 12, 2020: 1 - 5 pm EDT

• U.S. World Heritage Sites and Slavery
• International Examples of Monuments Associated with Oppression
• Interpretation of U.S. and International Civil Rights Sites

Day Two: Social Justice and Indigenous Peoples
November 13: 1 - 5 pm EDT, 5 - 6 PM EDT Networking & Discussion

• Co-Managing U.S. World Heritage Sites with Tribal Partners
• Interpreting Indigenous World Heritage sites in the U.S.
• Decolonizing Heritage: International Models

After the sessions end for the day, we hope you will join us for Virtual Networking and post-Symposium discussions in breakout rooms. More information and registration information will follow under separate cover.

Image: General map of the United States, showing the area and extent of the free & slave-holding states, and the territories of the Union: also the boundary of the seceding states. 1857. Library of Congress.

ACT NOW TO PROTECT GREATER CHACO

DEADLINE to Submit Comments to the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Regarding Oil and Gas Leasing Near Chaco Culture World Heritage Site

Many of our members attended our recent webinar "World Heritage Site at Risk: Chaco Culture National Historical Park." If you missed it or want to share the webinar with friends and colleagues, a recording is available here. We wish to extend a warm thank you to our three webinar presenters: Kurt Riley, Acoma Tribal Leader; Paul Reed, Archaeology Southwest Preservation Archaeologist; and Ernie Atencio, NPCA Southwest Region Director; along with webinar organizer Destry Jarvis, US/ICOMOS Trustee, Advocacy Committee Chair, and passionate advocate for World Heritage in the U.S.
It's not too late to learn more about how Chaco's landscape is threatened with further industrialization and to submit your comments:

- Paul Reed, Preservation Archaeologist at Archaeology Southwest, has produced an excellent resource for those who would like to learn more about the current situation at Chaco and submit comments: [https://WWW.Archaeologysouthwest.org/2020/09/15/take-action-now-to-protect-the-greater-chaco-landscape](https://WWW.Archaeologysouthwest.org/2020/09/15/take-action-now-to-protect-the-greater-chaco-landscape)
- All three presenters worked to answer questions that we weren't able to get to during our webinar. Their answers are available in PDF form here
- If you would like to learn more about these issues or find more ways to get involved, please email Ernie Atencio at eatencio@npca.org.

The links below direct you to websites where you can submit comments to BLM. Both the APCG portal and the NPCA portal include suggested language that can (and should) be personalized:

- Online comment portal for the Farmington BLM Resource Management Plan managed by the All Pueblo Council of Governors: [https://ProtectChaco.org](https://protectchaco.org). We thank the APCG for the image above.
- NPCA portal: [https://P2a.co/55Lvhnb](https://P2a.co/55Lvhnb)

Please get involved!

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Register Now for our Next World Heritage Webinar:
"Live from Chicago: Frank Lloyd Wright's Frederick C. Robie House. Research and Restoration at a Site Recently Inscribed on the World Heritage List."
Completed in 1910, the house Wright designed for Frederick C. Robie is the consummate expression of his Prairie style. The Frank Lloyd Wright Trust recently completed a comprehensive restoration of the building, revealing Wright's extraordinary original vision. The visit will be hosted by T. Gunny Harboe, the architect who led the work and Kathryn Smith, the architectural historian who served as Scholar-in-Residence in 2003.

Kathryn will provide the history of the commission and explain the reasons why the Robie House became “the cornerstone of modernism” influencing the early development of “modern architecture” in Europe in the first half of the 1900s. Gunny will show that architecture and explain some of the critical processes and details that went into the recently completed work. US/ICOMOS Trustee Peyton Hall will moderate.

Learn more about the webinar and register here  Attendance is limited so please register right away!

In Memoriam: Sally Sims Stokes, 1950 - 2020

We are sad to announce that longtime US/ICOMOS friend and preservation advocate Sally Sims Stokes passed away on August 13, 2020. Sally’s career and influence were wide ranging: she researched and wrote about fashion history, architectural history, domestic work history, and historic preservation. As a specialist in academic library administration, Sally for many years served as Librarian and Curator of the National Trust for Historic Preservation Library Collection at the University of Maryland and as a faculty member in Library Sciences at the Catholic University of America. It is thanks to Sally that the US/ICOMOS archives reside at the University of Maryland.

Sally, along with her husband Samuel Stokes, was a longtime supporter of the US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program (IEP). Our photo here was taken at the 2018 IEP Symposium and Reception. To read more about Sally, offer condolences to her family, and to learn about where contributions can be made in her memory, please read Sally's obituary here.
We Have Moved!

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Statutory Meetings: All US/ICOMOS Members are Invited to Attend

ICOMOS officers have scheduled virtual Advisory Committee (AdCom), Scientific Council and National Committee (NatCom) meetings to replace the in-person meetings that would typically occur before and during the Triennial Congress.

We encourage our members to attend. A full schedule is available here. We believe the following meetings will be of particular interest to members:

- 12 October 2020 (8 AM EDT) AdCom meeting on the topic of "Heritage Practice Ahead: ICOMOS Pandemic Responses"
- 22 October 2020 (8 AM EDT) NatCom meeting discussions of "Issues Arising from the Altered Global Environment" and "Monuments Associated with Oppression"
ICOMOS Climate Change and Heritage (CCHWG) Working Group Update

Trustee Adam Markham represents US/ICOMOS in the ICOMOS CCHWG. Adam reports that he is currently engaged in the following CCHWG projects:

- Helping plan for CCHWG/ICOMOS engagement at COP 26 (rescheduled for 1-12 November 2021 in Glasgow, UK) and its preparatory meetings in Italy and Bonn, for the UNFCCC (the climate convention and Paris Agreement)
- A joint ICOMOS/IUCN/ICLEI/IPCC project to hold an IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) special meeting on climate, culture and heritage. U.S. members Andrew Potts and Marcy Rockman are the leads on this project.
- A joint ICOMOS project with James Cook University, the University of the Highlands and Islands, Queens University Belfast and the African World Heritage Fund to develop two Climate Vulnerability Index (CVI) workshops in Nigeria and Tanzania and an online CVI training course for African heritage professionals.

ICOMOS 2020-2023 Leadership Elections

The 20th General Assembly of ICOMOS will elect twenty members of the Board by secret ballot for a term of three years (2020-2023), and from those will elect a President, a Secretary General, a Treasurer, and five Vice Presidents. The Candidatures Committee, in conjunction with the International Secretariat, organized a preliminary call for candidates for election to the Board. As of 21 August 2020, 29 eligible nominations had been received.

There are twenty candidatures for the Board, two candidatures for President, no candidature for Secretary General, two candidatures for Treasurer General, five candidatures for Vice President. Click here to see the full list of candidates received to date.

At this point, there is no candidature for the post of Secretary General and no candidature for the post of Vice-President from the regions of Europe and Asia-Pacific.

ICOMOS encourages members interested in proposing candidates to send their nomination dossiers to the address GA2020-Elections@icomos.org by 3 October 2020 (final deadline). If you have questions or wish to be put in contact with the Candidatures Committee, you can write to secretariat@icomos.org.
Register for the National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP) Online Conference Now

Join the NTHP and over 1,000 heritage professionals online October 27-30, 2020, to network, learn, and be inspired at PastForward Online 2020. Registration is now open: https://savingplaces.org/conference#.X195mNNKhPM

Emerging Professional Event: Heritage Naija 1.0

The Emerging Professionals Working Group (EPWG) of ICOMOS Nigeria invites US/ICOMOS members to participate in a 3-day webinar series “HERITAGE NAIJA 1.0” on the following dates:

- **Day 1:** Thursday, 24 September 2020 [10am-11:30am Nigeria time] Theme: Building Back Better: Responding to the Impacts of COVID-19 Pandemic on Nigeria's Heritage
- **Day 2:** Tuesday, 29 September 2020 [10am-11:30am Nigeria time] Theme: Decolonising Nigeria's Heritage: Policies, Restitution and Other Strategies
- **Day 3:** Thursday, 01 October 2020 [10am-11:30am Nigeria time] Theme: Nigeria's Heritage: the Past, Present and the Future

The main platform for the webinar series is Zoom Webinar and it will be livestreamed on the Facebook Channel of ICOMOS Nigeria (@ICOMOSNigeria). Register here for Zoom access: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/heritage-naija-10-a-3-day-webinar-on-the-culture-and-heritage-of-nigeria-tickets-119101045433

'Practices and Challenges in Built Heritage Conservation'

Register Now for the International Institute for Conservation (IIC) 2020 Congress

All events will take place online and attendance will be FREE for IIC members. The IIC has also taken measures to make participation affordable to all and as accessible as possible. [Learn more and register here](#).

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