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"Our trip included a lengthy stay in Paris, and also time in Florence, Siena, London, Boston and upstate New York. Day after day we were surprised at the welcome our

# Haiti - from the Heritage Emergency National Task Force (updates from US/ICOMOS and ICOMOS were sent in a previous email)

As recovery continues in Haiti following the January 12 earthquake, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the International Council of Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) are in touch with Haitian authorities and considering what future actions should be taken to protect cultural heritage.

As soon as it is feasible, the UNESCO World Heritage Centre will be helping Haitians assess the extent of damage to cultural properties and will engage in the search for illicitly displaced artworks and objects. <a href="http://portal.unesco.org/culture/en">http://portal.unesco.org/culture/en</a>

ICOMOS has created a Haiti Heritage Recovery Steering Committee to develop a coordinated plan for assistance. The organization and its affiliates urge officials and contractors to be sensitive to the nation's heritage resources as stabilization of infrastructure and buildings begins. Like the International Committee of the Blue Shield, ICOMOS is organizing volunteer data for future assistance teams.

The Digital Library of the Caribbean (DLOC) is serving as an information clearinghouse for colleagues at Haitian libraries and archives. The group is collecting names of experienced volunteers and will share a working document on recovery projects as information becomes available.

A description of ICOMOS and DLOC activities, as well as other information links, can be found at: <a href="http://www.heritagepreservation.org/PROGRAMS/TFcurrent.html">http://www.heritagepreservation.org/PROGRAMS/TFcurrent.html</a>.

The following Web sites contain current status reports and information on nascent assistance efforts:

The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) has posted reports on the damage to Haiti's libraries:

http://www.ifla.org/en/haiti-earthquake-2010.

The International Council of Museums (ICOM) recently released a statement on the status of the country's museums:

http://icom.museum/icbs-press/100121\_haiti\_damages\_statement\_UK.pdf

The International Committee of the Blue Shield has launched an <u>online registration form</u> for volunteer archivists, restorers, curators, librarians, architects, and other experts. This registration will help ICBS link official missions to Haiti with appropriate experts. Click here to register: <a href="http://haiti2010.blueshield-international.org/node/3">http://haiti2010.blueshield-international.org/node/3</a>

**Libraries Without Borders** is requesting donations of books in French for Haitian university libraries. http://www.librarieswithoutborders.org/

An assessment team, sponsored by the National Library of the Dominican Republic and other archives and library organizations in the Caribbean, is now in Haiti. A report of their findings

ICOMOS card provided us."

From Sam, a US/ICOMOS member, in a recent email





The World Bank Headquarters in Washington, DC (Photo credit: Shiny Things/Wikipedia)



The SAA Journal
Archaeological Record
(January 2010)
has an article
"The Unique Roles of
ICOMOS and ICAHM in the
World Preservation Community"
by Doualas Comer

should be available sometime next week.

Humanitarian relief continues to be the priority in Haiti, and official recovery efforts from the U.S. are being coordinated through the United States Agency for International Development.

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# 13th Annual US/ICOMOS International Symposium

Seeking sponsors and supporters, preliminary program below (not all speakers are confirmed), registration will open early February

"AT WHAT COST? Social and Economic Pressures on the Protection of Cultural Heritage Sites" to be held at the World Bank Main Complex, 1818 H Street, NW, Washington, DC 20433 USA May 20-22, 2010

The 13th Annual US/ICOMOS International Symposium, organized in partnership with the World Bank and co-sponsored by the National Park Service, will focus on the increasingly complex relationships between cultural heritage and the world's market economies. It will look at real world problems and practical solutions through formal presentations, round tables and group discussions.

Looting, mass tourism, and development pressures are some of the market forces now posing a direct challenge to traditional heritage and historic preservation practices and priorities. In both the public and the private sectors, heritage sites and districts are now increasingly seen as potential engines of local development and a possible source of income and social stability for communities. How can these positive and negative economic pressures be reconciled? Which economic and social strategies are most effective in today's financial environment? What role can and should heritage and historic preservation professionals play?

This symposium will examine new tools and approaches that can help integrate cultural heritage into social and economic agendas, while still protecting its significance and integrity. Throughout the symposium, the dialogue between participants and presenters will offer the opportunity to understand, compare and assess practices for effective and sustainable strategies.

#### **Sponsors and Supporters Needed**

The symposium is being organized in partnership with The World Bank and is co-sponsored by the National Park Service. While we are grateful for their support, additional resources are needed to ensure the success of the conference. Therefore, US/ICOMOS is seeking additional sponsors and supporters at the following levels.

#### \$10,000 Affiliated Sponsors

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# **Preliminary Program**

Thursday, May 20, 2010 US/ICOMOS Annual Meeting

3:00pm Meeting called to order, election of Trustees and officers, induction of Fellows

4:00 pm Welcome and introduction of keynote speakers, Chair, US/ICOMOS Keynote Addresses: International Development, World Heritage, and Sustainable Tourism

#### WORLD HERITAGE CITIES



Dubrovnik, Croatia (by Eric Ostermann)



Valparaiso, Chile (by Jespinos)



Bam, Iran (by Benutzer)

Introductory Speeches by World Bank Officers (approx 10 minutes each)
Giovanni Majnoni, Executive Director for Albania, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, San Marino and Timor-Leste, The World Bank (TBC)

Pulok Chatterji, Executive Director for Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Sri Lanka, The World Bank (TBC)

Presentation on Sustainable Development (approx 20 minutes)

Katherine Sierra, Vice President for Sustainable Development, The World Bank (TBC)

- Integrating cultural heritage protection in sustainable development

Presentation on World Heritage (approx 20 minutes)

Organization of World Heritage Cities (Invited, TBC) - Economic successes/challenges in the conservation and management of historic cities

Presentation on Sustainable Tourism (approx 20 minutes)

Robin Tauck/Randy Durband, Robin Tauck & Partners LLC - The economics of sustainable tourism in the development of heritage sites

6-8 pm Welcome reception - World Bank's MC Atrium with a performance by the World Bank chorus (TBC)

Friday, May 21, 2010

9:00-4:30pm - Cultural Heritage: its contribution to the development of sustainable communities

Richard Clifford, Lead Urban Specialist, The World Bank—The World Bank Trust Fund for Cultural Heritage

Anthony Bigio, Senior Urban Specialist, The World Bank (TBD)—Rehabilitating North African Medinas

Chantal Reliquet, Senior Urban Specialist, The World Bank—The World Bank cultural heritage project in Tunisia

Rosanna Nitti, Senior Urban Specialist, The World Bank—Cultural heritage strategic framework for South Asia

Guido Licciardi, Junior Professional Officer, The World Bank—Cultural Heritage Learning Program

Coffee Break

Richard Shieldhouse, University of Florida—The Jagged Path to Sustainable Tourism in a World Heritage City

Laurie Zapalac, Massachusetts Institute of Technology—Mapping the numbers: tourism in Venice

Brent Lane, University of North Carolina—Measuring the economic impact of archaeological world heritage sites

Rapporteur/discussion

Lunch

Susan MacDonald, Getty Conservation Institute—Heritage in the market driven economy: a tale from down under

Brenda Barrett, PA Bureau of Conservation and Recreation—Pennsylvania's Conservation Landscape Initiative

Ned Kaufman, Kaufman Heritage Conservation—US federal preservation on non-federal land Coffee break

Kelly Fanizzo-Realizing protection in property management & the Antiquities Act

4:00 pm Rapporteur/discussion, then adjourn

7-9 pm *Young Professionals Gathering*, International Student House garden terrace, 1825 R Street, NW, Washington, DC

Saturday, May 22, 2010

9am-12:30pm - Looting and Illicit Traffic: the impact on cultural heritage sites



Brasilia, Brazil (by Agencia Brasil)



Kotor, Montenegro (by guerretto)

Barbara Hoffman, Attorney—Sustainable cultural heritage policy

Elise Foster, US Department of Agriculture—Incentives for site protection

Todd Swain, National Park Service—Cultural resources damage on public lands

Coffee break

Bob Palmer, National Park Service—The truth about heritage theft

Marion Werkheiser, Attorney at Law-International cultural properties trusts

Rapporteur/discussion

12:30pm Adjournment

# 2010 US/ICOMOS Ann Webster Smith Award for International Heritage Achievement Call for Nominations

The work and achievements of Ann Webster Smith as a champion in building a global culture of protection for the cultural heritage of the entire world were prolific and varied. For three decades Ms Smith was at the very core of the dreamers and doers who nurtured ICOMOS to its maturity, personifying a spirit of cooperation and teamwork. A true visionary never fearing change for the sake of improvement, Ann Webster Smith conceptualized, supported and enabled numerous cultural programs for international cooperation; influenced major decision-makers both in the United States and overseas towards the preservation ethic; steered private and public funds for the support of international preservation initiatives; and mentored dozens of young preservationists into their full professional capacity, gently leading them into key leadership positions.

Ann Webster Smith was the characterization of a model world citizen and an enlightened American. Oblivious to race, beliefs, gender or ethnicity, she was equally at ease with princes and common folk, treating all with the same respect and warmth, and earning her lasting friendships all over the world. She loved every place she visited, delighting in the material and intangible expressions of all the world cultures. The wake of benevolence that she left behind her was always one of good will towards Americans and the United States, making her our ideal citizen-ambassador. The Ann Webster Smith Award for International Heritage Achievement recognizes those U.S. citizens who carry on her work by embodying her lasting spirit and vision.

# THE PROGRAM

The Ann Webster Smith Award honors an American individual, group of persons or institution, in the public or private sector, for extraordinary and sustained achievement in perpetuating Ann Webster Smith's quest to make the United States a respected partner and trustworthy pillar to support the conservation of the cultural heritage in all parts of the world.

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

The Ann Webster Smith Award will recognize achievements in one or more of the following areas of activity as they relate to the international aspects of heritage conservation that Ms. Smith championed:

- 1. Advancing the mission of US/ICOMOS, which was drafted by a committee chaired by Ann Webster Smith.
- 2. Fostering the engagement of new generations of young preservationists in international heritage conservation activities.
- 3. Developing or enhancing programs and partnerships for international cooperation in the conservation of the built heritage.
- 4. Advancing public awareness and support for international cooperation in heritage conservation.
- 5. Rescuing heritage from imminent or long-term risks that spring from natural and human causes.
- 6. Raising the visibility and prestige of the cultural heritage of the United States internationally.
- 7. Using cultural heritage to foster inter-cultural understanding and world peace.
- 8. Promoting the participation of U.S. preservationists in the international preservation arena.

PREVIOUS ANN WEBSTER SMITH LAUREATES

2008 - Lisa Ackerman, New York

2009 - Russell E. Train, Washington, DC

PROCEDURES FOR NOMINATION - the procedures for nomination will be posted on the



Prague, Czech Republic (by Chosovi)



Old Havana, Cuba (by SchneiderSvan)

US/ICOMOS website shortly.

#### PROCESS OF SELECTION

The selection of the award winner will be made by a panel of five individuals, composed of three eminent American preservationists and two representatives of the Ann Webster Smith family

# **DEADLINE**

All nominations for the 2010 Ann Webster Smith Award must be received in the office of US/ICOMOS by March 31st, 2010

#### **PRESENTATION**

The award will be announced at the 2010 US/ICOMOS Annual Meeting to be held in Washington, DC, on May 20, 2010. The Ann Webster Smith Award is honorific in nature and carries no financial remuneration.

# 2010 World Monuments Fund/Knoll Modernism Prize Call for Nominations

World Monuments Fund is seeking your assistance in identifying a recipient for its 2010 World Monuments Fund/Knoll Modernism Prize. Awarded in summer 2010, the prize is given to a design professional or firm in recognition of an innovative design solution that preserves or enhances a Modern landmark. The deadline for nominations is March 31, 2010. Please write to the <a href="mailto:modernism@wmf.org">modernism@wmf.org</a> for the "Call for Nominations" flyer describing the steps and requirements for submissions or with any other questions you may have.

# **Organization of World Heritage Cities - Case Studies**

"Historic Cities in Development: Keys to Understanding and Taking Action"

The presentation of the interim report in the plenary of the World Congress in Quito was a resounding success thanks to the commitment of the contributing cities and to the work of the Steering Committee coordinated by the City of Lyon. This work of the exchange of knowhow and the transfer of experience has developed a dynamic within the Organization that should be continued until the next World Congress in Sintra (Portugal) in 2011. In this perspective, you can contact the City of Lyon to propose a contribution by your city or to obtain more comprehensive information.

For more information, contact: <a href="mailto:bruno.delas@mairie-lyon.fr">bruno.delas@mairie-lyon.fr</a>

Presentation of the interim report (PDF - 4 M) <a href="http://ovpm.org/parameters/ovpm/files/recueil/re-quito.pdf">http://ovpm.org/parameters/ovpm/files/recueil/re-quito.pdf</a>

Description of Compilation of Case Studies for the Conservation and Management of Historic Cities

http://ovpm.org/index.php?

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# Contribute to the Image Bank of World Heritage Cities 2010 Organization of World Heritage Cities

The Organization of World Heritage Cities (OWHC) is remining the assistance of its network of members in order to obtain images of world heritage cities. These images must show the unique features of the urban heritage of the city, either in detail or as a whole.

To view a few pictures already selected, go to the following address:

http://www.flickr.com/photos/ovpm. The pictures selected will appear on the FLICKR Site, which is managed by the OWHC. No commercial use will be made of these pictures: they will be used in our Web Site and in other promotional publications, such as written documents or exhibitions.

The OWHC commits to mention the name of the author with any image used. These images will have to be free from any rights and must be sent in high resolution.

Already many of our member cities have contributed to the enrichment of our data bank. Thanks to the paticipant cities, see: <a href="http://www.flickr.com/photos/ovpm/sets">http://www.flickr.com/photos/ovpm/sets</a>

If you wish to participate, send us your pictures together with a short description and the name of the author, at the following address: <a href="mailto:images@ovpm.org">images@ovpm.org</a>

Thank you in advance for your collaboration.



Timbuktu, Mali (by KatezNnik)



Acre, Israel (public domain)

Organization of World Heritage Cities http://www.ovpm.org/?newlang=eng

# Symposia and Other Opportunities

# The Inaugural National Cultural Heritage Law Moot Court Competition

March 5-6, 2010 in Chicago, Illinois

Sponsored by the Lawyers' Committee for Cultural Heritage Preservation and DePaul University College of Law. To register and for additional information, please visit <a href="http://law.depaul.edu/chmoot">http://law.depaul.edu/chmoot</a> or email <a href="mailto:chmoot@depaul.edu">chmoot@depaul.edu</a>.

#### Vernacular Architecture Forum

May 19-23, 2010 in Washington, DC

This will be the VAF's 30th annual meeting. The deadline for the call for papers has passed—but you may visit their website at <a href="http://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org">http://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org</a> for details.

#### 2nd International Conference on Heritage and Sustainable Developement

Heritage 2010 - Évora, Portgal - 22-26 June 2010

The Green Lines Institute and the Organising Committee established as a main criterium that Heritage and Sustainable Development conferences should take place in UNESCO World Heritage Sites. After Heritage 2008, that was held at the Douro Valley and the Archaelogic Park of Foz Coa the choice turned this year to the city of Évora, in Alentejo (Southern Portugal).

Évora is located 130 km from Lisbon (circa 90 minutes by car) and 100 Km (75 minutes by car) from the Spanish border.

Évora can also be reached by train from main cities in Portugal and Spain. Despite its ancinet roots and amazing Historical Centre, Évora is a modern city equiped with modern facilities in cultural and touristic terms.

#### More information:

http://heritage2010.greenlines-institute.org/H2010website/home.html

#### Preserving the Historic Road Conference

September 9-12, 2010 in Washington, DC

The conference will consist of four days of education sessions, special events and field workshops to provide you with the latest best practices, theories and methods for the identification, preservation and management of historic roads. The Call for Papers has been distributed; abstracts are due January 31, 2010—visit <a href="http://www.historicroads.org">http://www.historicroads.org</a> for details.

#### Fulbright New Zealand

invites applications for the 2011 Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy give outstanding American mid-career professionals the opportunity to research, travel and gain practical experience in public policy in New Zealand for seven months. Please forward this e-mail and/or flyer to anyone you know who would make a good 'Axford Fellow' and benefit from this opportunity. For further information and an application form, see Fulbright New Zealand's website at <a href="http://www.fulbright.org.nz/awards/am-ian-axford.html">http://www.fulbright.org.nz/awards/am-ian-axford.html</a>

# Heritage and Culture UK-Based Study Programme

Challenge and innovation in public policy and practice

Public Administration International, June 28 - July 2, 2010

The programme is designed mainly for senior policy-makers and experts working in government ministries and agencies and in non-governmental organisations concerned with the funding and promotion of heritage conservation and culture. Applications will also be welcome from those in the voluntary and private sector who wish to gain insights into the role of heritage and culture in economic development and to engage in dialogue with officials with responsibilities in this field. Visit <a href="http://www.public-admin.co.uk">http://www.public-admin.co.uk</a> for more information.

# 12th World Conference of Historical Cities in 2010

City of Nara, Japan. Visit <a href="http://wchc2010-nara.jp/">http://wchc2010-nara.jp/</a> for more information.

The UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Committee on Housing and Land Management (CHLM) and its Working Party on Land Administration (WPLA) are pleased to announce the call for

presentations for the upcoming events:

International Forum on "Natural Disasters and Building and Construction Safety" to be held in Baku, Azerbaijan on 17-18 March 2010.



Bath, England (by Arpingstone)

To obtain more information, please click on the following link: <a href="http://www.unece.org/hlm/prgm/hmm/construction%20safety/call.4.presentations.baku.pdf">http://www.unece.org/hlm/prgm/hmm/construction%20safety/call.4.presentations.baku.pdf</a>

Workshop on "Greening Real Estate Markets" to be held in Dessau, Germany on 26 and 27 April 2010. To obtain more information, please click on the following link: <a href="http://www.unece.org/hlm/wpla/workshops/call.4.presentations.dessau.pdf">http://www.unece.org/hlm/wpla/workshops/call.4.presentations.dessau.pdf</a>



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