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2013 US/ICOMOS International Symposium

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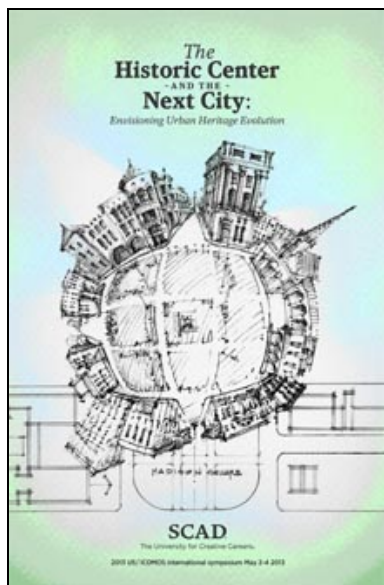
Francesco Bandarin, the Assistant Director-General for Culture of UNESCO and W.Paul Farmer, CEO of the American Planning Association will be featured speakers at the United States Chapter of the International Council of Monuments and Sites (US/ICOMOS) 16th annual symposium that convenes on the campus of the Savannah College of Art and Design May 1-4, 2013. The event will welcome international experts to discuss historic cities and debate the management of their social and physical changes, the conservation of historic values and how our historic cities can inspire the cities of the future.

Mr. Bandarin was appointed to his position in 2010. Among his primary responsibilities for UNESCO is providing advocacy and assistance that help safeguard cultural heritage treasures worldwide. As a specialist in architecture and urban planning, Mr. Bandarin has worked in both public and private institutions in the fields of built heritage, cultural heritage conservation, environmental heritage and cultural events, as well as architectural and urban design in developing countries. He has been actively involved in the Venice Safeguarding Project and in the preparation of Rome for the year 2000 Jubilee. Previously, as Director of the World Heritage Centre he has promoted the revision of the UNESCO recommendation on historic cities.

Mr. Farmer, FAICP, is CEO of the American Planning Association and its professional institute, the American Institute of Certified Planners. Farmer earned B. Arch and B.A. degrees from Rice University and a master's degree in city and regional planning from Cornell University. Mr. Farmer has consulted in Asia, Europe and North America, and has written and lectured extensively. He will discuss his experience and perspective on heritage as an underlying narrative that is fortified by planning in the ongoing process of city building. A Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners he received a Design Excellence Award from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Call for Sponsors to Help Defray Travel Costs for International Speakers: 16th US/ICOMOS International Symposium

In addition to the keynote speakers above, the US/ICOMOS Symposium will include speakers from Australia, Colombia, the Netherlands, Qatar, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and the United States. The Savannah College of Art & Design has obtained sponsors for hosting the symposium, including the field sessions and receptions, in Savannah (for a list of sponsors, please go to <http://www.usicomos.org/symposium/sponsors>)



However additional sponsors are needed to help defray travel costs for the international speakers. Sponsorship levels include:

Presenting Sponsor (\$10,000)
Major Sponsor (\$5,000)
Supporting Sponsor (\$2,000)
Contributors (\$500)

Please consider becoming a sponsor to help ensure the success of the symposium! If interested, please contact Donald G Jones, PhD, Director, US/ICOMOS at 202-842-1866 or don.jones@usicomos.org;

Register Now for the 16th US/ICOMOS International Symposium!

The program of papers and field sessions has been posted the US/ICOMOS website, and online registration is open. Early (discounted) rates for registration ends March 15. The block of hotel rooms reserved at the Hilton Savannah Desoto are only guaranteed until March 21. Field sessions are limited to 20 people per session. So register today for the 16th US/ICOMOS International Symposium at <http://www.usicomos.org/symposium!>

A pre-symposium tour of Auldbrass, Frank Lloyd Wright's southern plantation, will be offered on Wednesday, May 1 (departing at 10am) but space is limited.



Savannah Riverfront

Nine field sessions will be offered, including visits to the Savannah Riverfront, Savannah's landmarks and public squares, the Georgia Railroad Museum, among others. The earliest field sessions are being offered Wednesday, May 1 at 3pm for early arrivals. Many of the field sessions are repeated on different days to allow registrants to sample more than one.

Paper sessions will begin on Thursday morning at the SCAD Museum of Art, the primary venue for all paper sessions during the symposium.

US/ICOMOS has reserved a block of rooms at the Hilton Savannah Desoto in the heart of Savannah's Historic District and the campus of the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD), host of the symposium.

The symposium room rate is \$169.00 per night (plus tax) for the nights of Wednesday, May 1 through Saturday, May 4 (departing on Sunday, May 5).

The hotel is within walking distance of the SCAD Museum of Art. All field sessions will depart from either the Hilton Savannah Desoto hotel or the SCAD Museum of Art.

For reservations, contact the hotel directly at:

Hilton Savannah Desoto
15 East Liberty Street
Savannah, GA 31401
www.desotohilton.com

Reservations: (877) 280-0751

The registration rate for ICOMOS members is \$300 per person (\$50 for student members) until March 15 (field sessions are available at additional cost). Early registration is recommended because of the limited availability of conference hotel rooms and space on the various field sessions.

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/>



SCAD's Poetter Hall

Call for Hosts for the 2013 US/ICOMOS International Exchange

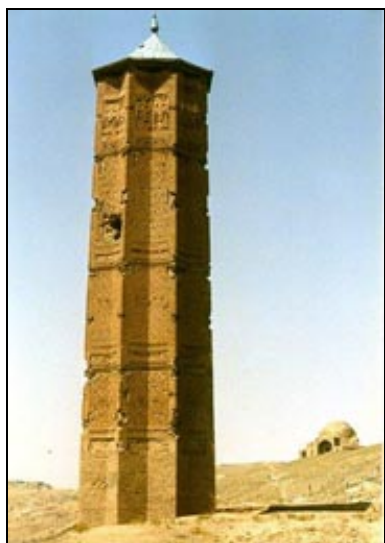


Hotel Savannah Desoto

US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program



Dana Lockett (left) gives an overview of the Ghazni documentation project



One of the Ghazni Towers

Program

Prospective interns have until the close of business today to submit their applications for the 2013 US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program. Entering its 29th year, the program has involved nearly 700 interns and 70 countries! Add your organization's name to the list of host organizations by hosting an organization this season.

Learn more on the US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program by visiting our website at <http://www.usicomos.org/intern>

Learn how to become a host at the following link (pdf file) - http://www.usicomos.org/files/2011_Host_a_USICOMOS_International_Exchange_Program.pdf

The US/ICOMOS International Exchange Program is unique in providing funded internships for preservationists at the early stages of their careers in countries other than their own. The program provides airfare and a stipend for Americans to work overseas and provides a living stipend for interns from overseas to work in the United States. The entire class of interns meets together in Washington, DC for orientation at the beginning of the summer and reconvenes in mid-August to share their experiences with each other.

If you are not able to host an intern but would like to support the program, please consider making a directed donation at <http://www.usicomos.org/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=4>

The general program schedule for 2013 is set as follows subject to minor variations in accordance with host organization schedules:

- January 31: Applications due
- March 1: Applicants notified of "shortlist" selection
- April 1: Selected applicants notified of placement with sponsor
- May 28 - May 30: Intern orientation in Washington, DC
- May 31: Interns travel to their host locations
- June 3 - August 12: Internship with host organization
- August 13-15: Summer Interns return to Washington, DC for final program and reception; Fall interns arrive for orientation
- August 16: Summer Interns return home
- After August 16: Fall interns travel to their host locations

National Parks as Economic Engines

The National Park Service has released a report discussing the economic benefits to local communities of our national parks, supporting some 252,000 jobs with a total economic boost, including visitor spending, of more than \$30 billion.

From the NPS Press Release: "'Places like the Grand Canyon or the Statue of Liberty take our breath away and inspire us with their beauty and history, but our national parks also serve as anchors for our nation's economy,' said Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar. 'People who visit parks need transportation, places to stay, and meals to eat - all of which support businesses and provide jobs in local communities.'"

The National Park Service report is done on an annual basis and is prepared through a cooperative agreement with Michigan State University. The entire report, with information by park and by state on visitor spending, jobs and other impacts, is available online at:

<http://www.nature.nps.gov/socialscience/products.cfm#MGM> (click 'Economic Benefits to Local Communities from National Park Visitation and Payroll, 2011').

For more state-by-state information on national parks and how the National Park Service is working with communities go to www.nps.gov/ [STATENAME], for example: <http://www.nps.gov/virginia>.

Conferences and Other Opportunities

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

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.



Host a US/ICOMOS intern and expand your international network of professionals in preservation



Former Intern Ed Fitzgerald in Scotland



The 2012 class of US/ICOMOS International Interns in Washington, DC

L-R: Fabiana Aguilera, Nabil Ali, Jesse Lattig, Milton Perry, Ann Nguyen, Emily Klassen, Daniel Watts, and Mesut Dinler

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.

Protected Areas in a Changing World: The 2013 George Wright Society Conference on Parks, Protected Areas, and Cultural Sites March 11-15, 2013 • Denver, Colorado

Every two years, the George Wright Society organizes the USA's premier interdisciplinary professional meeting on parks, protected areas, and cultural sites. For more information, please visit the conference website at <http://www.georgewright.org/gws2013>

2013 UNITAR Workshop: Examining World Heritage Serial Nominations

The Hiroshima Office of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) has announced its 2013 workshop in the UNITAR Series on the Management and Conservation of World Heritage Sites--Examining World Heritage Serial Nominations and the Vital Role of Comparative Analysis.

The workshop will be held Monday 22 - Friday 26 April 2013 in Hiroshima, Japan.

The UNITAR Series, launched in 2003, has thus far comprised nine annual Workshops held in Hiroshima and one in-country Workshop in India. With over 300 Alumni to date the Workshops offer a set of innovative approaches to heritage conservation, including:

- A values-based management approach examining the significance of the properties to be conserved;
- The fusion of cultural and natural heritage management;
- The recognition of both the tangible and intangible aspects of heritage values;
- Focused analysis of specific areas of the nomination process.

For more information, including the call for participants, please go to <http://www.unitar.org/hiroshima/management-and-conservation-of-world-heritage-sites>

44th Annual EDRA Conference May 29 - June 2, 2013

The Environmental Design Research Association (EDRA) is hosting its 44th annual conference in Providence, Rhode Island, May 29-June 1, 2013 in partnership with the School of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation at Roger Williams University. We are broadly inviting submissions that address the intersection of environmental design and behavior and the built environment. More specifically, however we encourage submissions of proposals that address the identification and conservation of aspects of historic environments that positively influence multiple dimensions of health (e.g., physical, psychological).

EDRA is an interdisciplinary organization that was founded in 1969 to encourage social science research that would influence design in order to produce better places for people. Attendees at its conferences are diverse and include architects, landscape architects, planners, historic preservationists/heritage conservators, social scientists, practitioners, and academics, among others. While its conference programs have always included papers that address heritage conservation, there has been an increased focus at EDRA on this topic since the founding of the EDRA Historic Preservation Network in 2007.

More information on the conference and submission requirements is at: <http://www.edra.org/edra44providence>. The submission deadline is September 21.

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”

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

