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US/ICOMOS at Work

August 2022 E-News



Welcome to "US/ICOMOS at Work," a monthly update on US/ICOMOS actions 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: IEP interns Naka Mishina (left) and Shinjini Shaha (right) attended a Washington Nationals baseball game with trustee Tom Cassidy, Naka's mentor for the summer. Naka tells us that Tom explained U.S. heritage conservation in between batters!

— LATEST NEWS & EVENTS —

Save the Date: US/ICOMOS 2022 Virtual Symposium to take place 20 - 21 October, 1 - 5 pm EDT



Join us to learn from experts in the field and our esteemed Keynote speakers:

20 October: William K. Reilly



William K. Reilly has enjoyed careers in public service, non-governmental organizations, and private sector finance. He has served four U.S. Presidents: Presidents Nixon, George H.W. Bush, Clinton and Obama. As a senior staff member at the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), Reilly worked very closely with CEQ Chair Russell Train on his remarks and on the Council's reports. Train helped advance the World Heritage Trust concept, secured President Nixon's support in the 1971 annual report, and led the U.S. delegation to the 1972 United Nations' Stockholm Conference on the Environment, which endorsed the World Heritage Trust.

21 October: Charles "Chuck" Sams III, Director, National Park Service



A former longtime administrator of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation in Oregon, Sams, is the first Native American to lead the National Park Service and the 19th permanent Director in the Park Service's 105-year history. Sams has worked in state and tribal government jobs and in the nonprofit natural resource and conservation management field for more than 25 years. He's also a former adjunct professor at Georgetown University and Whitman College.

Mark your calendar now. Registration opens in early September.

Monuments Toolkit Project: [Webinar 26 August](#), Podcast, and Much More

[Register now](#) for the next Monuments Project webinar: "Protecting the Legacy of 'Comfort Women' Memorials." This webinar will take place online at 4:30 pm EDT, Friday 26 August. [Make plans now to attend.](#)

"The Monumental Project" Podcast

Have you been listening to our podcast, "The Monumental Project?" The Monuments Toolkit team has produced four excellent episodes so far. You can access them by searching "The Monumental Project" in any podcast app or listen with [Apple Podcasts here](#).

[The Monuments Toolkit will host sessions at these upcoming conferences](#)

- [Association for the Study of African American Life and History \(ASALH\) 107th Annual Meeting and Conference](#), 29 September - 1 October, Montgomery, Alabama
- National Trust for Historic Preservation [PastForward National Preservation Conference](#), online, 1-4 November

[Monuments Conference 2023](#)

The Monuments Toolkit team is planning a 2023 conference. [Please assist in planning by filling out this short survey.](#)

PROTECTING THE LEGACY OF "COMFORT WOMEN" MEMORIALS

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**FRIDAY AUGUST 26TH, AT 4:30PM EDT
(US AND CANADA)**

This webinar covers the historically neglected "Comfort Women", who were kidnapped into sexual slavery by the Imperial Japanese Military during World War II. These memorials have been targeted and removed internationally, but the "Column of Strength" continues to stand in San Francisco.

Sign up Here:
<https://usicomos.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/usicomos/eventRegistration.jsp?event=78&>

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Advocacy Training Materials Survey

Please [share your opinions on monuments and your insights on advocacy training materials here](#).

Celebrate with US/ICOMOS: [2022 International Exchange Program \(IEP\) Closing Ceremony](#)

Please join us for our first live event since 2019!

**Tuesday the 30th of August, 5 - 7 pm EDT
in Washington, DC**

Spend time with emerging and established heritage professionals and learn about the exciting work of our IEP Class of 2022. These nine women spent time in the U.S. and abroad undertaking projects in archaeology, building restoration, cultural landscape research, historic research, community building and worldwide sustainable development. Join us to meet them and learn more.



This free event will take place in the ACHP Conference Room at 401 F Street, Ste 308, Washington D.C.. You must RSVP in advance of the event.

RSVP to Attend

Virtual Networking for Emerging Professionals: [Register Now to Attend](#), 13 September, 8 pm EDT



Join us online to hear from 4 early- and mid-career professionals who will share their experiences and provide tips for starting a career in historic preservation. A Q&A session and several breakout sessions will follow.

[Please register here to receive a link to the event.](#)

US/ICOMOS Awarded a Network to Freedom Grant

US/ICOMOS is proud to announce that we have been awarded a Network to Freedom Grant! These grants, funded by the 400 Years of African American History Commission and administered by the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, will help preserve Underground Railroad

history across the country. To learn more, check out this news release: <https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1207/ntf-grant-awards-2022.htm>

As an extension to the International Underground Railroad mapping we undertook last year, US/ICOMOS will use these funds to conduct research on underrepresented narratives in Mexico. [Learn about our past work here](#) and check back for more information about the research we will undertake in Mexico.

International Members: Participate in ICOMOS "World Heritage at 50" Social Media Initiative

For 50 years, ICOMOS has put the experience, skills and commitment of 10,000+ members from around the world in service to the World Heritage Convention. We invite you to celebrate the successes and challenges, strengths and achievements of the World Heritage Convention and the role and contribution of ICOMOS.



Send ICOMOS your stories about how the World Heritage Convention influences your professional practice. What does it mean to you? We are asking all ICOMOS members to share their most impactful stories from the last 50 years and the next 50 years to come.

Tell us what you have experienced and hope to see in the future. Suggested topics: - Safeguarding cultural heritage: which best practices are followed/exist in your community? In your own words, why is it essential that we preserve our heritage for the future? - Indigenous heritage: how have local communities protected cultural heritage? What are examples of people-centered approaches? - Sustainable development: how does heritage conservation relate to sustainable development? - Raising awareness: what advice would you give to younger generations? Who inspired you?

Format: Send your story to 50whc [at] icomos.org. Include your full name, your National Committee, and select one of the following formats:

- 1) A maximum of 2 high-resolution photographs or graphics (300 ppi) with a short caption (25-30 words) and the image credits. Make sure that you own the rights to the images or the permission to use.
- 2) Anecdotes, stories, memories, quotes (100-200 words). Your submissions will be curated by the ICOMOS International Secretariat and posted on ICOMOS social media (Instagram, Facebook, Twitter) within the framework of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the World Heritage Convention.

By submitting to the ICOMOS International Secretariat, you agree that: - the ICOMOS International Secretariat reserves the right to edit, proofread and modify your submission before posting and; - that your submission and personal data (name and country) can be shared on ICOMOS social media.

— OF NOTE —

Announcing ACHP Foundation 21st Century Leaders Fellowships



The 21st Century Leaders Fellowship is a new program that provides early-career preservation professionals with a comprehensive understanding of historic preservation policy formulation and implementation at the national level. A primary program goal is to promote diversity in the historic preservation leadership.

Through an immersive hands-on experience, Fellows interact with policy-makers in the governmental and private sectors, both non-profit and for-profit.

The application deadline is September 15. Learn more and apply here:
<https://www.achpfoundation.org/the-role-of-the-foundation/leaders-fellowship/>



**Hollyhock House Reopening!
Make Plans to Visit Now**

Frank Lloyd Wright's Hollyhock House in Los Angeles became a World Heritage Site in 2019 but closed in early 2021 due to the global pandemic.

Hollyhock reopens to the public on August 18th. Learn more at www.hollyhockhouse.org

Photo: Hollyhock Terraces by Dayna Bateman, CC-BY-NC-SA 2.0

ICOMOS Annual and Extraordinary General Assemblies: 28 October 2022

The ICOMOS Annual General Assembly and Extraordinary General Assembly will take place in Bangkok, Thailand on 28 October 2022 in hybrid format. [Details and documents are available here.](#)

If you plan to travel to Thailand, visit <https://icomosthai.org/> to register, find information on the meetings, and to plan your stay. Committee meetings and the Scientific Symposium will take place 25-30 October 2022, on the generous invitation of ICOMOS Thailand. The meetings will take place in hybrid format (ie. in-situ and online in part).



ICOMOS / ICCROM Joint Mission to Ukraine



Mission delegation in the Chernihiv Region © HERI

ICOMOS and the International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM) undertook a joint mission to Ukraine in July in order to provide support to the Ukrainian Ministry of Culture and Information Policy as well as other heritage organizations and professionals in Ukraine.

[Learn more about the joint mission.](#)

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