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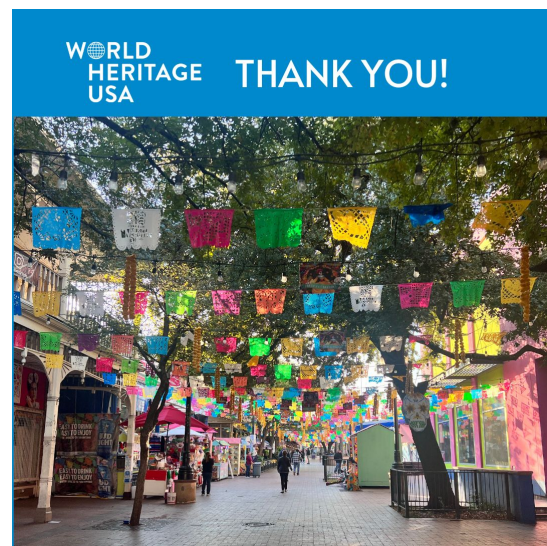


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Thank You!

Symposium 2023 is a wrap. We would like to extend [special thanks to our Symposium sponsors](#) for making the event possible, to our speakers and attendees for making it a success, and to our wonderful hosts in San Antonio for harnessing the magic of World Heritage sites, culinary traditions, and cultural heritage. Stay tuned for photos of Symposium 2023 and session recordings coming soon!





International Exchange Program 2024

Applications for the 2024 International Exchange Program are now open!

Apply as:

- An Intern – a graduate student or emerging professional interested in strengthening professional heritage skills while gaining international experience, or
- A Host Organization – a heritage organization willing to provide an intern with hands-on training in historic preservation or heritage conservation.

[Learn about our most important program and see recent news about the IEP.](#)

A Tour to Remember: Sign up Now

World Heritage USA, in conjunction with Dr. Nelly Robles García and our heritage colleagues in Mexico, has developed a 7-day tour of World Heritage sites Monte Albán and Oaxaca. Each trip for 2 includes airfare, hotel, and guided tours. We're thrilled to offer this World Heritage travel opportunity. [Learn all about the itinerary and when the trips will be offered here.](#)



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ICOMOS-USA Needs You

An [ICOMOS-USA International Membership](#) includes many benefits, including free or reduced admission to heritage sites and museums worldwide, the chance to participate in ICOMOS International Scientific Committees, reduced registration fees to our events, and much more. All 2024 members of ICOMOS-USA will also be recognized as founding members of World Heritage USA. [Join or renew for 2024 now!](#)

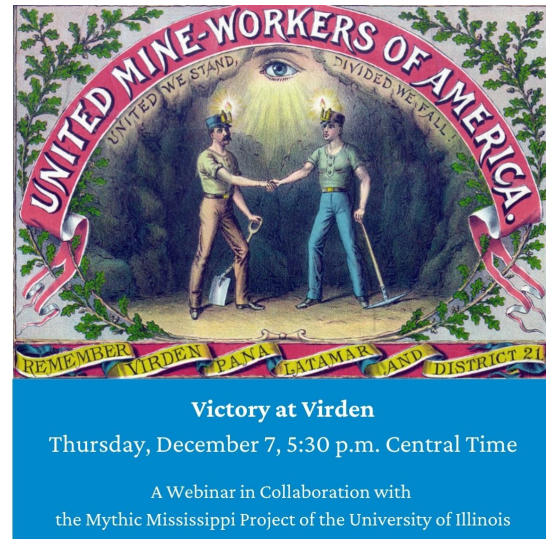


The Monuments Toolkit Project

The Monuments Toolkit team was instrumental to the recent success of our 2023 Symposium. The entire team attended and took on numerous roles over our 4 days in San Antonio. Pictured above in front of the Alamo, from left to right, are: Keynote Speaker Ceqyyna Moore, Director of the Monuments Toolkit Project; Miles Ezeilo, “The Monumental Project” podcast producer and interviewer; Gilbert C. Correa, MA, who helped organize and present in the “Collaboration with U.S. and Mexico ICOMOS” session; and William Humphrey, who oversees Webinars and Research for the Toolkit. Thank you all!

Victory at Virden Webinar

Trustee Helaine Silverman and colleagues invite you to attend a webinar organized by the Mythic Mississippi Project of the University of Illinois: "Victory at Virden – October 12, 1898: Heritage of a Turning Point for American Labor." The webinar will take place at 5:30 pm CT on 7 December. [Learn more and register here.](#)



Giving Tuesday is 28 November

This Giving Tuesday, support our International Exchange Program (IEP)! Each contribution enables us to offer more training opportunities to facilitate the exchange of ideas and global best practices across borders. The IEP is expensive: we can't do it without your support. [Give now.](#)

Jan C.K. Anderson Elected VP of CIF

Former ICOMOS-USA President Jan C.K. Anderson was recently elected Vice President for the Americas of the [ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Education \(CIF\)](#) at the CIF Symposium in Athens. She is pictured (left) with former UNESCO Director-General Irina Bokova (right). Jan encourages U.S. members to join CIF and participate in the committee's many activities. [Information about CIF membership can be found here.](#)





Congratulations to Member William Dupont

The National Trust for Historic Preservation has awarded Professor William Dupont of the University of Texas at San Antonio's Center for Cultural Sustainability a [2023 National Historic Preservation Award](#) for his leadership on the [Historic Houses of Worship Toolkit to Increase Resilience](#). [Read more about Bill and the Center's work here](#). Congratulations, Bill, and thank you for all of your recent assistance at Symposium 2023!

Save the Date: 11 December 2023

Our Annual Meeting is scheduled to be held virtually on Monday, 11 December. Please plan to attend to hear about the highlights of 2023, elect new trustees, and thank those leaving the Board. Exact timing and registration information will be shared via email invitation.

ANNUAL MEETING 2023



SAVE THE DATE

Abstracts Due 30 November for Africa24 Conference

The AFRICA24 Conference will be held in November 2024 in Nairobi, Kenya, and is organized by six ICOMOS International Scientific Committees and two working groups. The Conference's main theme is "The Heritage We Want: Shaping the African Renaissance in a Global Context." [Learn more](#).

Florida Law Puts Historic Properties at Risk

A residential masterwork by architect Alfred Browning Parker faces demolition in Miami due to a state law barring the protection of homes in high flood zones. [Read more here](#) and work with your state representatives to combat laws sacrificing historic properties without recourse or review.

Yu Kongjian Wins 2023 Cornelia Hahn Oberlander Prize

The Cultural Landscape Foundation has awarded Chinese landscape architect Yu Kongjian, champion of the “Sponge Cities” concept for addressing climate change-accelerated urban flooding, the 2023 Cornelia Hahn Oberlander International Landscape Architecture Prize. [Learn more about Yu Kongjian’s innovative work.](#)

Yurok Tribe Releases Condors at Redwood World Heritage Site

Three more California condors are flying over Redwood National and State Parks as part of a partnership between the Yurok Tribe and the National Park Service. The condors, known as prey-go-neesh in the tribe's language, were released on 9 November. [Learn more.](#) Follow the Yurok Condors and their restoration to tribal lands on [Facebook](#).

World Heritage USA provides a gateway for U.S. citizens to experience and participate in international heritage conservation programs and activities and for the international community to learn about the rich and diverse heritage of our nation. In doing so, we uphold and advance the broad goals of ICOMOS, the World Heritage Convention, and the preservation of cultural heritage globally. Learn more about us at WorldHeritageUSA.org.

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