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1. Welcome

Welcome to the first issue of the WAC e-Newsletter for 2006. The year has begun, and as you will see as you scroll through the items, there is a range of information about activities, fellowships and research grants available in 2006 in the context of archaeology research, teaching and learning. In particular, the excerpts from the South East Asian Archaeology International Newsletter (SEAN) provide the details of many sources of funds. There is also information about forthcoming conferences and workshops, and new books and journals.

It is always interesting to read news of WAC members and I encourage you to contribute items to future newsletters. We are attempting to restrict the size of the newsletter because we understand that past volumes may have been too lengthy. We would welcome feedback about its accessibility and value. Please contact Madeleine Regan, the editor with comments and suggestions on how to improve the newsletter.

2. (a) Executive News

WAC Inter-Congress, Osaka, Japan

The highlight of the last couple of months has been the WAC Inter-Congress, held in Osaka, Japan, 12th-15th, January, 2006. The title of the conference was *Kyosei-no-koukogaku: Coexistence in the Past - Dialogues in the Present*. The conference was attended by 370 people from 78 countries. The key-note address was given by Ian Hodder, and the conference was followed by a public symposium on cultural heritage. It was an amazing experience for everyone. The first international conference in archaeology in Japan, it truly opened doors between Japanese archaeologists and archaeologists from other parts of the world. It was extraordinarily well organized (I now understand that trains could not do anything but run on time in Japan), and held high academic standards—and it was such fun! Our Japanese hosts were extremely gracious, and there were wonderful receptions, including one in the grounds of Osaka Castle. As

one of the Council members commented at the time, it made you happy you'd chosen archaeology as a profession! If anyone wants to look at photos, they should go to:

<http://wacosaka.jp/Memories/memories.html>

The WAC Council met during the Japanese Inter-Congress. This was a very productive meeting and I'd like to thank the Council members for their time and effort they put into moving WAC projects forward. During this meeting the Council ratified a number of resolutions that had been put forward by the New Zealand Inter-Congress, including a new document called xxxx. A report of this Council meeting will go on the WAC website in the near future.

There were many useful outcomes from this conference. There is now a cohort of people from outside Japan who have a much better understanding of the strengths of Japanese archaeology. The papers given by Japanese and East Asian archaeologists have had much information that is useful to archaeologists in other countries. Many new archaeological partnerships established, and many new friendships have been formed. The standard of the papers was high and we hope that two or three books will emerge from this Inter-Congress. In addition, WAC is planning to establish a new book series, *Archaeologies in Translation*, with the aim of translating into English archaeology texts written only in Japanese, or other non-English languages. Prompted by discussions at the conference, the Council has established a committee to produce an over-arching Code of Ethics for archaeology internationally. These things would not have happened at this time, and some not at all, if we had not had this conference here in Japan. This conference has set a strong foundation for the exchange of knowledge between Japanese archaeologists and those from other nations.

Mr Taizo Sasaki ensured that the conference received wide coverage in the media, which included the Asahi Newspapers and the Yomiuri Newspapers both which are among the top three largest newspapers, as well as numerous articles in Mr Sasaki's Mainichi Newspapers. This was an extraordinarily well organized conference, and all members of the Japanese Organising Committee are to be congratulated. I would particularly like to congratulate Mr Katsu Okamura, who handled the primary responsibility for conference organization with good humour and great competence, Dr Naoko Matsumoto, who organized a very efficient and well-planned programme, and Professor Hiroshi Kanaseki, whose kind endorsement allowed this wonderful conference to take place.

WAC Submission to Utah Governor

Working collaboratively with the SAA, RPA and other archaeological organisations, WAC recently made a submission to the Honourable Jon Huntsman, Jnr, Governor of the State of Utah, supporting the Cultural Sites Protection Amendments, H.B. 311, with its focus on protection of Utah's antiquities and cultural resources, but expressing grave concern about proposed

amendment H.B. 139, which will weaken the protection of cultural heritage in that state. The full text of this submission is available on the WAC web site.

Archaeologies

We have been told that the first issues of *Archaeologies: the Journal of the World Archaeological Congress*, have now been posted. This means that for most people they should arrive within the next week or so. We would like to thank all the people who have done the translations for the journal, and the journal website.

Kind regards,

Claire Smith, for the Executive

2. (b) WAC News

WAC-6

We are now calling for proposals for WAC-6, which will be held in Kingston, Jamaica, May 20-27th, 2007. WAC-6 will be organized into themes and sessions. A theme contains a number of sessions relating to the same overall issue. Example: Theme – The African Diaspora; Sessions: Maroon Societies, Plantation Archaeology, and Post-Emancipation Free Villages. Both themes and sessions should emphasize international participation and global perspectives. Sessions can be organised in different formats, including demonstrations, workshops, debates, panels and forums. Selected sessions will provide simultaneous translation into different languages, including Spanish and French.

Proposals for themes will be accepted for consideration through May 30, 2006. Proposals for sessions will be accepted through August 31, 2006. The deadline for abstracts for individual papers is November 30, 2006. Individual papers may be submitted prior to February 28, 2007, and will be assigned to appropriate sessions and themes.

If you would like to present a paper, you should send an abstract of 150-250 words should be submitted via email or mailed the following addresses:

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3. News of WAC Members

Christine Finn

Christine Finn presented a programme on archaeology and poetry, on BBC Radio 3 on 5th February. It can also be heard online for a few days afterwards.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio3/sundayfeature/pip/1r7b4/>

Beth Laura O'Leary

Beth provides information about a forthcoming article on Space Heritage in 'Antiquity' (March 2006).

URL for Antiquity article follows

<http://antiquity.ac.uk/ProjGall/oleary/indx.html>

Bayo Folorunso

We have heard that Bayo Folorunso, of the University of Ibadan, Nigeria, was recently promoted to full professor. It is well deserved, and we offer him our congratulations and best wishes.

4. Forthcoming Conferences And Events

2nd Annual Ename International Colloquium
Belgium
22-25 March 2006 in Ghent,

The Province of East-Flanders, the Provincial Archaeological Museum - Ename, the Flemish Heritage Institute, and the Ename Center for Public

Archaeology and Heritage Presentation are pleased to announce the revised format of the 2nd Annual Ename International Colloquium.

WHO OWNS THE PAST?

Heritage Rights and Responsibilities in a Multicultural World

http://www.enamecenter.org/pages/events_who_owns_the_past.html
http://www.enamecenter.org/pages/events_who_owns_the_past.html

Heritage Education at the bi-annual meeting of ABA - Brazilian Association of Anthropology Goiânia, Brazil 11 – 14 June 2006

Marcia Bezerra (archaeologist/UCG) and Flávio Leonel (anthropologist/UFPA) are the coordinators of the Forum " Heritage Education: Dilemmas and Perspectives" during the 25^a RBA, next June, in Goiânia, Brasil. Deadline for abstracts: March 19, 2003.

For more information: <http://www.rba.org.br>
<http://www.rba.org.br>

XV World Congress of International Union for Prehistoric and Protohistoric Sciences (UISPP) Lisbon (Portugal) September 4th-9th 2006

The Congress is being organised by the various international scientific Commissions of UISPP, together with a National Commission involving all the archaeological departments in Portugal and a Secretariat. In some regions of the world (Brazil, Canada, Western Africa, Australia, Ireland, Spain), local structures have also been established for the purpose.

The Congress has the aim of presenting the status of world prehistory in 2006, but also of engaging a participation of non European countries stronger than in past times and to contribute for the collaboration with other international organizations, such as CAA, IFRAO or WAC.

All scholars, students and interested people are invited to apply as members of the Congress, through the web-site www.uispp.ipt.pt, www.uispp.ipt.pt

Over 130 sessions have been organised and papers are welcome. The Congress will be articulated in seven main sections: "Theory and Methods", "Archaeosciences", "Hunter-gatherers", "First farmers", "Early metallurgy and complex societies", "Archaeology and Society".

2006 Australian Archaeological Association Annual Conference

**La Trobe University, Beechworth Campus, Victoria, Australia
Thursday 7 December (late afternoon registration) to Sunday 11 December
2006**

The theme: Modern Humans in Asia, Australia and Oceania: timing, Impact, Signatures and Spread

The website will be up and running before the end of February.

Nicola Stern and Richard Cosgrove
Archaeology Program
La Trobe University

5. News Items

Left Coast Press Inc announces new books

Ancient Starch Research, edited by Robin Torrence and Huw Barton

The Goddess and the Bull: Catalhoyuk: An Archaeological Journey to the Dawn of Civilization, Michael Balter (paperback edition)

Yearbook of Cultural Property Law 2006, edited by Sherry Hutt

Islamic Art and Archaeology of Palestine, Myriam Rosen-Ayalon

We are also developing numerous book series for archaeologists, including ones on indigenous issues in North American archaeology, American historical artifacts, CRM issues, and the WAC handbooks in archaeology.

For more information on these books and series, please look at our website, www.LcoastPress.com www.LCoastPress.com

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New Journal

Journal of Island & Coastal Archaeology

The first issue of the Journal of Island & Coastal Archaeology will be published in April.

The co-editors, Scott M. Fitzpatrick & Jon M. Erlandson invite individuals and institutions to subscribe to the journal at an attractive price.

Information about JICA can be found in a brochure that outlines a list of papers coming out in Volume 1(1) and an ordering form. It can be ordered by visiting the Taylor & Francis webpage at: <http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/jorderfrm.asp>

Australian Archaeological Consultancy Monograph Series Volume 1

A free sample issue of the first volume of the new Australian Archaeological Consultancy Monograph Series is now available online at:

<http://www.aacai.com.au/monograph/>

Title: Salvage Excavation of Six Sites along Caddies, Second Ponds, Smalls and Cattai Creeks in the Rouse Hill Development Area NSW

Author: Jo McDonald Cultural Heritage Management Pty Ltd

About the Australian Archaeological Consultancy Monograph Series:

Edited by Richard Fullagar and Sean Ulm, the Australian Archaeological Consultancy Monograph Series is a peer reviewed report series providing examples of best practice consultancy reports in archaeology and cultural heritage management. The series provides access to the results of investigations as part of the commitment of the Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists Inc. to the continued improvement of the profession. The scope of the series includes the full range of consultancy activity, such as site assessment, regional survey, remote sensing, excavation, management and

public education. Projects that display successful liaison and collaborative research initiatives with Indigenous communities and other stakeholders are encouraged. Further information is available at:

<http://www.aacai.com.au/monograph/>

Open Access to Electronic Archive of AACAI Newsletter

All 2,206 pages of the pre-electronic print issues of the Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists Inc. (AACAI) Newsletter, Numbers 1-95 are now available on the AACAI website as downloadable *.pdf files from:

<http://www.aacai.com.au/newsletter/index.html>

Call for Papers - The Australian Journal of Indigenous Education

You are invited to contribute papers to be published in the The Australian Journal of Indigenous Education. The AJIE is a peer reviewed research journal publishing articles in the field of Indigenous education, broadly defined. It is the only journal for educators devoted specifically to issues of practice, pedagogy and policy in Indigenous education in Australia. Notes to contributors and further information can be found at <http://www.atsis.uq.edu.au/ajie/>.

New Cultural Heritage Law Course in Australia

The University of Queensland TC Beirne School of Law is introducing a new course that will consider the international and Australian laws that apply to the protection of cultural heritage. The course will examine immovable and movable cultural heritage whether on land or underwater and during times of peace and in times of war. It will analyse the five major international conventions that have been adopted to protect cultural heritage.

This is a four day intensive course that is open to lawyers and members of other professions.

For further information:

University of Queensland website: www.law.uq.edu.au

For course content contact:

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5 (a) News about grants

South-south grants from Sepsis program 2006

Research Fellowships

The Sepsis programme has two sub-themes:

1. Equity, Exclusion and Liberalization.
2. The Forging of Nationhood & The Contest over Citizenship, Ethnicity and History.

These reflect the double range of interest of the programme, directed at both understanding processes of cultural change and developing new visions on development emerging in the South. Sepsis will pay special attention to projects that support the elaboration of these themes, which - as it were - reflect the cultural and economic side of the programme.

In 2006, fellowships are available at the Post-Doctoral and PhD level. Funding will be provided for travel and research costs, and salary according to local standards. These fellowships extend from a minimum of three months to a maximum of two years for fellowships at Postdoctoral level and three years for fellowships at PhD level. In addition, Sepsis encourages proposals at the interface of history, theory and development practice

Eligibility at the Postdoctoral level: Scholars who have received their PhD degrees, preferably within the last five years. An exception to this rule can be made for researchers from countries that have not been providing PhD courses. Their applications must include evidence of at least three articles that have been accepted by international refereed journals over the past five years. Applicants should be employed by or affiliated to a university, a research institute, or development agency in the South.

Eligibility at the PhD level: PhD students enrolled at a university in the South, who are supported by their institution. The proposal must include a period of research and should make clear that the applicant can realistically complete his or her draft thesis in the given time. Salaries are normally not included in the Sepsis fellowships at the PhD level.

Applications for these fellowships should include:

- a research proposal (maximum of 4 pages prefaced by an abstract of 100 words) presenting the research problem and research methodology (including the sources to be examined), reviewing the relevant literature, and indicating the relevance of the research to one or both of the Sephis themes;
- an academic curriculum vitae; (maximum of 3 pages)
- a letter testifying to institutional affiliation;
- two original referee's reports;
- a budget;
- a timetable.
- In addition, applications at the Post-Doctoral level should include:
- an indication of the form of publication (book, article etc.);
- a copy of the PhD certificate, or - and only in the case of non-availability of PhD certificate - copies of 3 articles in international refereed magazines.

In addition, applications at the PhD level should include:

- a letter of recommendation by the thesis supervisor.

Grants for Social movements and their sources

The Grants for Social movements and their sources is intended to support small scale projects of particular relevance to the aims of the Sephis programme. The Programme encourages the use of alternative historical sources and aims at strengthening academic exchange between research institutes and university departments in different continents and cultural zones of the South. It is important that these initiatives are well embedded in local intellectual communities and that their results will be accessible to a wide audience.

Applications for Grants for Social movements and their sources should include:

- a proposal (maximum of 4 pages) presenting the objectives of the project and its relevance to one or both of the Sephis themes and one or more of the aims of the Grants for social movement and their sources;
- a budget (not exceeding the amounts stipulated above and specifying the contribution by the organizing institute);

- an authorized letter from the organizing institute stating that it assumes the responsibility for the proper conduct of the project.
- indication of the link with social movements.

Research proposals will be selected by the Sephis Steering Committee, which consists of historians from different regions in the world. The applications will be evaluated according to academic quality, relevance to Sephis themes, comparative potential, and contribution to South-South co-operation. The application must be received at our office before April 30, 2006.

Applications should be written in English. Incomplete applications, applications by fax or e-mail and applications which exceed the stated length cannot be considered.

The application and all requests about the fellowships and grants programme should be sent to:

**Sephis Programme
International Institute of Social History
Cruquiusweg 31
1019 AT Amsterdam
The Netherlands**

6. Excerpts from other archaeological newsletters (used with permission)

6(a) SALON (editions from February and January 2006)

SALON - the Society of Antiquaries of London Online Newsletter

Salon 134: 13 February 2006

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Seventeenth-century French oak felled to make wine barrels

A tree that was planted during the reign of Louis XIV was felled last month because it was slowly being killed by the great capricorn boring beetle. The 120-foot-tall tree was planted in 1665 in the Forêt de Tronçais, on the edge of the Massif Central, as part of a project to develop the tall straight trunks needed for shipbuilding. French forestry experts decided to fell the oak before the timber deteriorated any further so that it could be used for wine making. The wood of the slow-growing sessile oak (*Quercus petraea*) is prized by wine-makers for the vanilla and coconut flavours it bestows during aging.

After felling, the tree was sold by auction for £25,500 to Jean-Luc Sylvain, whose firm will make sixty traditional 225-litre (300 bottle) Bordeaux barrels. Advance orders for barrels have already been taken from the owners of the Château Angelus and Château Latour vineyards, as well as from Californian, Chilean, Spanish and Italian winemakers. Only thirteen oaks now survive of the 50,000 that were originally planted under the supervision of Jean-Baptiste Colbert, Louis XIV's Financial Comptroller.

Ancient Rome's even more ancient necropolis

Archaeologists have found evidence of a late Bronze-Age necropolis underlying the Roman Forum: one tomb, that of 'a clan chief', according to Alessandro Delfino, the archaeologist leading the dig, dates from the end of the ninth century BC. Eugenio La Rocca, the Superintendent of Archaeology in Rome, said that the tomb appeared to be one of a number from the same period. A funerary urn, ceramic vases, bowls and bones were found in the tomb. Professor La Rocca said that the tomb showed that there had been organised habitation close to the Tiber at least 100 years before the supposed founding of Rome by Romulus and Remus in 753 BC. Andrea Carandi, Professor of Archaeology at Rome University, said that Romulus and Remus could be said to have 'founded Rome' in the sense that they had created the first cohesive walled city.

Launch of Romany language website

The University of Manchester has launched a website allowing people to locate different Romany dialects on a world map and listen to examples of spoken Romany. The website is part of a larger project to record the endangered language and culture of Romany people, which is largely oral and under threat because those who are conversant in it are stateless and scattered. Professor Yaron Matras, who heads the Romany linguistics project at the university, says he hopes to encourage the Romany people to codify their language and agree on

how words are spelt, as well as provide a resource ensuring the language is eventually included in mainstream media and school curriculums.

Many Romany lack access to computers, but those who do have discovered that they may at last communicate with compatriots as far apart as Norway and eastern Russian. Chatrooms for speakers of the language are beginning to flourish. Analysis of the Romany language has shown that it is closely related to those spoken in northern India, Punjabi in particular, which is a reflection of the people's geographical origin. Loaned words also make it possible to trace the pattern of their migration west and some of these remain in common parlance, including posh, pal, lollipop and slang words such as shiv or chiv (knife) and cooshtie (good).

SALON - the Society of Antiquaries of London Online Newsletter

Salon 133: 30 January 2006

Society to host Stonehenge consultation exhibition

The Society of Antiquaries is to host a public exhibition on options for the rerouting of the A303 around Stonehenge, the Department of Transport announced last week. The exhibition will be held at Burlington House, on 17 and 18 February 2006, as part of a three-month public consultation asking people to comment on five options: the 2.1-km bored tunnel that was considered at a Public Inquiry in 2004; new bypasses either to the north or to the south of the Stonehenge site; a 'cut and cover' tunnel; keeping the existing A303 but rerouting the A344 via the Winterbourne Stoke Bypass. The decision to go to a public consultation followed the announcement by the Transport Minister in July 2005 of a review of options after estimates for the cost of the bored tunnel rose significantly, to £510m.

Copies of the consultation leaflet and questionnaire are available on the Highways Agency website.

Reaction to the announcement was largely negative. The National Trust issued an uncompromising statement characterising the Government's position as 'disappointing' and saying that none of the five options was acceptable, as they 'will not return the world famous stones to the tranquillity they deserve' but will 'threaten to damage valuable archaeology'. 'We do not believe that the shortlist

of options for further detailed consideration represent the full range of alternatives', the Trust said, accusing the Government of failing to carry out a thorough review and failing to allow environmental and heritage organisations to have an input into the consultation.

CPRE, the Campaign to Protect Rural England, said that 'the dead hand of the Treasury has meant that the most environmentally sustainable options have been left off the list'. Having campaigned for a longer bored tunnel, CPRE said it was sad that consideration was now being given to new road building through open countryside.

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds said that plans for the recovery of the stone curlew would be threatened if plans to build a road tunnel were scrapped: the two overground alternatives would destroy stone curlew nesting and roosting sites in one of the bird's two UK strongholds.

The frustration felt by members of the public was perhaps best summed up in an ironic letter to The Daily Telegraph proposing a sixth option, cheaper than all the rest, which would be to leave the road where it is and move Stonehenge instead. Our Fellow Simon Jenkins added his own unique twist in The Guardian with a Swiftian essay modestly proposing that Stonehenge should be given back to the 'pendragons, druids, warlocks, Harry Potters, sons of the sun and daughters of the moon' who are no less weird than 'Wiltshire county councillors, health-and-safety officers, archaeologists ... and Ministry of Defence virgins [who] dance across the Great Bog of Wyllye clad in nothing but white papers'. 'Stonehenge', he wrote, 'is a place of pagan worship and as such should be handed to those for whom it means something, the druids and astronomical clock-watchers. They should be given a lottery grant and told to put the stones back in working order'.

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Salon 132: 16 January 2006

Redating the latest Neanderthals in Europe

An article in the US journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS), published on 5 January 2006, says that two Neanderthal fossils excavated from Vindija Cave in Croatia in 1998, believed to be among the last surviving Neanderthals, may be 4,000 years older than originally thought. The resultant ages are between 32,000 and 33,000 years ago, and perhaps slightly older. In 1998, the fossils had been radiocarbon dated to between 28,000 and 29,000 years old.

The article explains that sample purification techniques for the radiocarbon dating of bone and teeth have been refined since 1998, to provide more accurate dates for important fossil specimens. In particular, new techniques have suggested that important hominid samples from central and eastern Europe are older than previously thought but that early modern human fossils are more recent. These new fossil ages still demonstrate a substantial chronological overlap between Neanderthals and modern humans in Europe, though the authors of the report warn that their work 'highlights the currently tenuous nature of scenarios of modern human dispersals in Europe based on small numbers of direct radiocarbon dates in this time range'.

Further information can be found on the Washington University in St Louis website.

New archaeological discovery rewrites Hong Kong's history of human activity

The English-language website of Xinhua (the People's Daily newspaper) reports that archaeologists have discovered a Palaeolithic site in Sai Kung, Hong Kong. More than 6,000 artifacts have been unearthed at the site, which is located at Wong Tei Tung, on the Sai Kung peninsula, and covers an area 8,000 square metres in extent. Zhang Shenshui, a researcher at the Chinese Academy of Sciences, told Xinhua that the important discovery 'rewrites the history when Hong Kong began having human activity'. The traditional view is that Hong Kong had no human activity until the Neolithic era. Mr Zhang also said that it was the first new archaeological discovery in China's coastal region to have been made in recent years. The site was found at the end of 2004 by a joint team from the Hong Kong Archaeological Society and Sun Yet-Sen University. 'Experts from the mainland and Hong Kong will continue to make further investigation on this site,' Mr Zhang added.

Conferences and courses

IFA Annual Conference 2006

Edinburgh will be the venue for the 2006 Annual Conference of the Institute of Archaeologists, to be held from 11 to 13 April. The overall theme is 'Identity', and the provisional programme has been posted on the IFA's website, along with booking details (the deadline for early-bird bookings is 11 March 2006). As usual the conference will also have a number of social events, which include wine receptions, a conference dinner, party and excursions, including walking tours of

the Old and New Towns, linked to a joint session being hosted by the Institute for Historic Buildings Conservation and the IFA Buildings Archaeology Group.

Society for Post-Medieval Archaeology

Society for Post-Medieval Archaeology's fortieth anniversary conference Hugo Blake, FSA, reminds us that the Society for Post-Medieval Archaeology is holding its fortieth anniversary conference from 25 to 27 May 2006 in the Tuscan port town of Livorno, in association with the Italian journal *Archeologia Postmedievale* and the Medieval Pottery Research Group. The conference will be held in the Magazzino dei Bottini dell'Olio, which was the public olive oil warehouse in the eighteenth century. The conference theme is relations between Britain and Italy AD 1500—2000, focusing on the material aspects of foreign merchant culture, ethnic identity and acculturation, shipping, port infrastructure, trade, defence and naval warfare, and on Livorno, Britain's principal commercial base in the Mediterranean.

For information about Livorno (or 'Leghorn', as the English called it) and its significance to Britain in the early modern period, look at the 'Why Livorno?' link on the Events page of the SPMA website.

A link to the provisional programme, conference registration form and information on travel and accommodation has now been posted on the same page under 'Livorno conference programme'.

Website: <http://www.spma.org.uk/>

Ironbridge Institute Historic Environment Courses for 2006

The Ironbridge Institute has announced its list of practical workshops in historic environment conservation skills for 2006, with courses on everything from recording techniques and coppicing to the use of lime and the conservation of constructional stone, ferrous and non-ferrous metals, timber brick, terracotta and tiles. Beginning in October 2006, the wide-ranging lecture series covers such topics as landscape characterisation, buildings reuse, urban regeneration, conservation ethics and philosophy, conservation financing and project management. Further details from Harriet Devlin: <http://www.ironbridge.bham.ac.uk/staff/index.htm>

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Salon 131: 2 January 2006

Stonehenge makes it to 'New Seven Wonders of the World' shortlist

Stonehenge is the only UK site on a twenty-one site shortlist of 'New Seven Wonders of the World' drawn up by a Swiss group which aims to alert the world to the destruction of man-made heritage. The New Seven Wonders Society was launched in 2000 with the aim of agreeing the modern-day equivalents of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. More than 19 million voters have so far taken part in what its organisers call the 'world's first global voting campaign'. After a series of TV specials on each of the sites and a further year of public voting the winners will be announced on 1 January 2007, at an Olympic-style ceremony in a host city which has yet to be selected. Profits from the project will go to restoring and preserving monuments and buildings around the world, including a planned restoration of the giant Bamiyan Buddhas in Afghanistan.

The other shortlisted sites include the Acropolis in Athens, Angkor Wat temple in Cambodia, China's Great Wall, the Colosseum in Rome, the Inca temple of Machu Picchu in Peru, the Easter Island statues, Moscow's Kremlin, Sydney Opera House, the Taj Mahal in India and New York's Statue of Liberty. Nominated sites that did not make the final list included the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank building in Hong Kong, the Opera House and National Congress in Brazil, and Stari Most, the bridge in Mostar, Bosnia Herzegovina.

Of the original Wonders of the Ancient World, only the Great Pyramid of Giza in Egypt is still standing and this too has made it on to the new shortlist. The other six ancient wonders were the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, the Statue of Zeus at Olympia, the Temple of Artemis at Ephesus, the Mausoleum at Halicarnassus, the Colossus of Rhodes and the Lighthouse of Alexandria.

Attlee Government, when severe restrictions on construction work were in force, 'Fortress House is a remarkable demonstration of what a great architectural practice could achieve in the most difficult circumstances', Marcus wrote.

English Heritage, whose staff will start to vacate the building in April, has decided that it will not oppose the issuing of a certificate of immunity from listing. While acknowledging that the building has architectural interest, English Heritage argues that it is not special enough to be worthy of listing.

Archaeological objects seized by French Customs

French Customs officials in southern France seized nearly 17,800 archaeological objects taken illegally from Morocco and Mali, the French Minister for the Economy has announced. One confiscation, made by the Perpignan Customs on 14 December, included 124 Neolithic items made up of stone pendants, arrow-heads, necklaces and rock engravings that had been hacked from sites in the Sahel, all dating from between 6,000 and 5,500 BC. Dozens of bronze statuettes

in human and horse forms, jewels and pottery from Mali, mostly dating from around 1,500 AD, were also found. A spokesman for the Interregional Department of the Marseille Customs declared that the items confiscated near Arles could be handed over to museums. For further details see www.moroccotimes.com/paper/article.asp?idr=49&id=11817.

Police in Rome recover 9,000 stolen artefacts

Police in Rome have put on display an astonishing haul of artefacts they say was plundered from archaeological sites in Italy by a 74-year-old man. Officers who raided the man's home found 9,000 antiquities stolen over a period of years as well as what they described as 'the classic tomb raider's kit', including three metal detectors, and a workshop for cleaning and restoring antiquities. Thousands of Etruscan and Roman vases were recovered, along with amphorae, goblets, masks, brooches, votive statuettes and oil lamps.

The man was arrested as he was delivering goods to clients who visit his stall in Rome's Porta Portese flea market, police said. He was caught with three bags of the antiquities in his car. Italy has recently stepped up its fight against the illegal removal of its works of art. According to Italian law, any ancient artefact found in a dig belongs to the state and cannot be sold or removed to another country. Carabinieri from the art theft squad regularly target the flea market, where professional thieves sell illegally excavated items. Ostensibly the man sold bric-a-brac, but customers in the know were offered much more prized samples from a collection 'worthy of an archaeology museum', the police said.

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COURSE ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Course on Conservation of Japanese Paper

17 January. Applications are now open for the International Course on Conservation of Japanese Paper to be held in Tokyo, Japan from 11 to 30 September 2006.

Application deadline: 31 March 2006

<http://www.iccrom.org/eng/training/events/2006-2007/jpc.htm>

NEWS

Redesign and new address for Africa 2009 website

23 January. Following Africa 2009's policy of transferring the responsibilities of programme activities to African regional training institutions, the Africa 2009 website is now being maintained by EPA. It has been redesigned to improve access and ease of surfing from sub-Saharan African countries. The new address is: <http://www.africa2009.net>

FELLOWSHIPS

Dr Hicran Topçu

24 January. ICCROM welcomes Dr Hicran Topçu who has been awarded a three-months ICCROM Fellowship from February to April 2006.

http://www.iccrom.org/eng/news/2006_en/interns_en/01_10IFellowTopcu_en.htm

PUBLICATIONS

'Traditional Conservation Practices in Africa'

24 January. The French version of 'Traditional Conservation Practices in Africa' is now available from our Bookshop

<http://www.iccrom.org/eng/bookshop/BookshopDetail.asp?txtID=131>

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6(c) ICOMOS (Australia) (editions from February and January)

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**Australia ICOMOS National Conference:
“challenge and change: in ports, their towns and cities”**

*** please note the change of date ***

CALL FOR PAPERS

Australia ICOMOS national conference

FREMANTLE Western Australia

November 9-11 2006

Expressions of interest, in the form of a 300 word abstract, are now invited for papers for the change and challenge conference.

Historians, archaeologists, architects, geographers, engineers, economists, sociologists, individuals and groups working and associated with Australia's cultural heritage: in the built environment; arts; community; indigenous and

natural heritage fields are all welcome to submit an abstract that addresses the conference themes. Students are encouraged to participate.

CLOSING 5PM FRIDAY 21 APRIL 2006

Details can be found at www.icomos.org/australia/

International Seminar and Workshop on Urban Culture

Call for Papers - Abstracts Deadline 3 March 2006
INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR AND WORKSHOP ON URBAN CULTURE
Arte-Polis: Creative Culture and the Making of Place
Bandung, 21- 23 July 2006

Organized by:
Department of Architecture
School of Architecture, Planning and Policy Development
Institute of Technology Bandung (ITB), Indonesia

Organizing Committee

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<http://www.ar.itb.ac.id/artepolis>

New publication Heritage for the future

Heritage for the future - Realising the economic and social potential of a key asset (Local and Regional Action No.6) (30/01/2006)

The Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, in co-operation with the European Association of Historic Towns and Regions and the City of Norwich, organised the major European Symposium on "Heritage for the future - Realising the economic and social potential of a key asset", which was held in Norwich (United Kingdom) on 9 and 10 September 2004. This publication contains the main statements and representations of the symposium. The event was attended by over 100 participants from across Europe, including national,

regional and local authorities, professionals involved in heritage conservation, academic institutions and civic and community groups, who shared their experiences relating to the heritage of European towns. The symposium provided a platform for discussion on the economic and social importance of cultural heritage, mechanisms to facilitate the protection and enhancement of heritage, enhancing the potential of cultural routes, cultural heritage and technology and improving co-operation between international organisations and the public

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ISCEAH

Call for Expressions of Interest: Terra Conference

ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Earthen Architectural Heritage (ISCEAH)

2nd sending : Call for Expressions of Interest: Terra Conference

Revised and extended deadlines

Statement of Purpose: The International Scientific Committee on Earthen Architectural Heritage (ISCEAH) is issuing this Call for Expressions of Interest to

find organizations and countries to promote, host, run and administer the periodic conference known as "Terra". The Terra conference, which occurs every three years approximately, is an international conference whose theme relates to the study and conservation of earthen architectural, archaeological and landscape heritage. The previous Terra conference took place in Yazd, Iran in 2003, lasted four days and was attended by approximately 300 people.

Proposed Conference Schedule: The next Terra conference will be scheduled for winter (October through December) 2007 or at the latest, before March 2009. 2008 is excluded so as not to coincide with the ICOMOS General Assembly.

1st Submission: Responders to this Call for Expressions of Interest are to prepare a preliminary proposal identifying the following:

- Location and feasibility of venue
- Relevance of location to earthen architectural heritage
- Tentative schedule
- Proposed partners, collaborators and sponsoring organizations
- Preliminary costs
- Proposed sources of funding
- Suggestions for the main theme of the conference and the relevance of its scientific and social aim as a tool for the development of communities, as well as on a territorial basis

Deadline for 1st Submission: March 15, 2006.

Formalization of Agreement: Agreements with partners, collaborators, sponsoring organizations, conference host and ICOMOS/ISCEAH are scheduled to be formalized and finalized by July 31, 2006. The Conference Scientific Committee should be selected and in place by September 15, 2006.

For information about responses: contact Pamela Jerome,
pjerome@attglobal.net

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(20 January 2006)

**2006 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Awards for Cultural
Heritage Conservation**

Bangkok, 6 January 2006 Entries are now being accepted for the 2006 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation. The awards programme, in its seventh year, recognizes the achievement of individuals and organizations within the private sector, and public-private initiatives, in successfully restoring structures of heritage value in the Asia-Pacific region. The deadline for receipt of materials is 31 March 2006.

Complete programme information, including an entry form, is available on the web at

<http://www.unescobkk.org/culture/heritageawards>

For more information, contact:

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Heritage at Risk: Preservation of 20th Century Architecture and World Heritage
Moscow (Russia)
17 - 20 April 2006

As ICOMOS is one of the co-organisers of the above mentioned conference, an invitation is extended by Prof Alexander Kudryavtsev, President of the Russian Academy for Architecture and Building Sciences;

This Conference will be one of the international events marking the 18th April ICOMOS international day for monuments and sites and one of the planned outcomes will be a special issue of our heritage at risk publication, on the same subject, in cooperation with the world monuments fund.

A number of reports have already been published in the Heritage at Risk 2002/2003 edition drawing attention to endangered 20th century heritage

structures in Moscow:
<http://www.international.icomos.org/risk/2002/russia2002.htm>

Hyper-Traditions

Tenth Conference of the International Association for the Study of Traditional Environments
Thammasat University Bangkok, Thailand
December 15 - 18, 2006

INQUIRIES

Please use the following information when making inquiries regarding the conference.

IASTE 2006
Center for Environmental Design Research
390 Wurster Hall, #1839
University of California
Berkeley, CA 94720-1839, USA
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E-mail: iaste@berkeley.edu

Website: www.arch.ced.berkeley.edu/research/iaste

Heritage Trade Fair October 2006

Leipzig, Germany
25 – 28 October 2006

"denkmal 2006", the worldwide leading flagship trade fair for conservation, restoration and urban renewal.

More than 400 exhibitors will attract once again this year 15,000 visitors from almost 50 countries. Under the patronage of UNESCO, leading international experts will meet for symposia, workshops and conferences as well.

Details will be announced on the website www.denkmal-leipzig.de
www.denkmal-leipzig.de

Call for Applications - CHIRON Marie Curie Fellowship

The Ename Center for Public Archaeology and Heritage Presentation is now soliciting applications from qualified candidates for a one-year CHIRON Marie Curie Fellowship, which includes full time salary, living expenses and funds for travel and research materials.

PLEASE NOTE: Because of EU guidelines, candidates from Belgium are not eligible for this fellowship at the Ename Center, but are welcome to apply at CHIRON partner institutions in other EU member states.

http://mc-opportunities.cordis.lu/show-PRJ.cfm?obj_id=7594

http://mc-opportunities.cordis.lu/show-VAC.cfm?obj_id=8211

http://www.enamecenter.org/pages/public_progr_chiron.html

<http://www.chiron-training.net/>

We would greatly appreciate if you would distribute this announcement to all potential candidates.

For more information on the Ename Center, see www.enamecenter.org or contact info@enamecenter.org.

www.enamecenter.org

Lee Kong Chian (LKC) Research Fellowship

The National Library Board Singapore has recently launched the Lee Kong Chian (LKC) Research Fellowship, which aims to encourage research into various aspects of Asian content namely its culture, economy and heritage. The LKC Fellowship aims to position the National Library Singapore as a preferred stop for Asian content scholarship by promoting scholarly research, encouraging and facilitating the use of our collections. It hopes to attract and invite distinguished scholars, curators, historians and librarians to undertake collection-related research so as to create subsidiary works such as documentaries, exhibitions and other print resources that will benefit the arts, media and heritage communities.

The LKC Fellowship is open to both local and foreign applicants whose research focus requires use of the National Library's archived and preserved collections. Successful applicants should have scholarly and research credentials. Applicants could be curators, historians, academics or independent researchers who should preferably have an established record of achievement in their chosen field of research and the potential to excel further.

A stipend of S\$1,000 per month will be provided to help LKC Research Fellows meet living expenses, travel costs and other expenses. In addition to the stipend, overseas Fellows will be provided with a one-time transportation and relocation package of up to a maximum of S\$3,000 to Singapore from overseas as well as monthly accommodation and living allowance of up to a maximum of S\$2,500.

More information is available at the Department's Notice Board.

Applications can be sent to the following address:

Attn: Ms Lena Kua
Lee Kong Chian Research Fellowship
Publishing & Research Services
National Library Board
100 Victoria Street, #07-02
Singapore 188064

For further information about the Fellowship, please contact Ms. Lena Kua at 6332-3363 or email Lena_Kua@nlb.gov.sg
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6(d) AAA (American Anthropological Association) E-News (edition from January 2006)

American Association of Archaeology AAA E-News-January 2006

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Journal of Folklore Research launches JFR Reviews; Submissions welcome.

<http://www.indiana.edu/~jofr/>

ABC-CLIO Seeking Academic Contributors for World History Encyclopedia

Contact: Monique Vallance at mvallance@abc-clio.com

Speedier NIH Review of Research Applications Planned

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-06-013.html>

Center for Social Media: Documentary Filmmakers' Statement of Best Practices in Fair Use

<http://www.centerforsocialmedia.org/rock/backgrounddocs/bestpractices.pdf>

AWARDS

Society for Linguistic Anthropology Sapir Book Prize: Deadline May 15, 2006.

Send 3 copies of book. Self nominations encouraged. Contact: Joel Kuipers, kuipers@gwu.edu

Society for Linguistic Anthropology Graduate Student Paper Prize: Deadline May 15, 2006. Contact: Joel Kuipers, kuipers@gwu.edu

Society for Linguistic Anthropology Undergraduate Student Paper Prize: Deadline May 15, 2006. Contact: Joel Kuipers, kuipers@gwu.edu

3rd Annual P3 Award: A National Student Design Competition for Sustainability, Focusing on People, Prosperity and the Planet
http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2006/2006_p3.html

FELLOWSHIPS AND SUPPORT

NSF-Supported Summer Courses on Research Methods
<http://www.qualquant.net/training/>

2006 Oak Human Rights Fellowship: Human Rights and the Environment
http://www.colby.edu/academics_cs/goldfarb/oak/

Fogarty International Center Awards Research Training Grants to Tackle Aids and Tuberculosis
<http://www.fic.nih.gov/programs/ICOHRTA-AIDS-TB/ICOHRTA-AIDS-TB.html>.

MEETINGS

2006 Society for the Anthropology of Consciousness: "So What? Now What?- The Anthropology of Consciousness Responds to a World in Crisis," Pacific Grove, CA, Apr 12-16
www.sacaaa.org

2006 The Society for Cultural Anthropology: "Translations of Value"; Milwaukee, May 5-6, 2006; Deadline for proposals: January 15, 2006.
<http://www.aaanet.org/sca>,

2006 Meeting of the Canadian Anthropology Society/La Societe Canadienne Anthropologie:
"Human Nature/Human Identity: Anthropological Revisionings"; Montreal, Canada, May 9-14
<http://artsandscience.concordia.ca/socanth/casca2006/index.htm>

The 25th Biannual Brazilian Meeting of Anthropology: "Anthropological Knowledges and Practices: Challenges for the 21st Century, Goiânia, Goiás, June 11-14.
www.abant.org.br

CALL FOR PAPERS

ALANA US Ethnic Studies Program: New Directions in US Ethnic Studies
Contact: John Gennari at jgennari@uvm.edu

The Tenth Annual Conference on Holidays, Ritual, Festival, Celebration and
Public Display
Contact: Jack Santino at jacksantino@hotmail.com

AN Call for Papers: Seeing Humans, Society and Culture in Globalization
<http://www.aaanet.org/press/an/ancfp.htm>

New Titles in Anthropology: Write for AN
http://www.aaanet.org/press/an/04-05_AN_BookList.pdf

JOB PLACEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

<http://www.aaanet.org/careers.htm>

*As per a discussion with Anthropology News' Contributing Editors at the 2005 AAA Annual Meeting, AAA E-News will now be in a much more abridged, convenient format. The E-News has done away with the TOC, and each entry includes only one line of explanation, and either a link or contact information. You are encouraged to continue sending items to be included to AAA E-News Editor, Sarah Walker, swalker@aaanet.org.

7. Job opportunities
