

CALL FOR PAPERS and POSTERS

**Alliance for Historic Landscape Preservation - 37th Annual Meeting
Savannah, Georgia, 18th - 21st March 2015**

Theme: Continuity and Vitality

An Invitation

The AHLA is pleased to announce its 2015 annual meeting in Savannah, Georgia, and the Program Committee invites proposals for presentations that will encourage lively discussions about cultural landscapes. Savannah is justly famous for both the remarkable degree of continuity in its urban fabric and, in recent years, its economic and cultural vitality. It is therefore an excellent place in which to explore several important issues in historic landscape preservation and conservation; these include -

- What types of continuity are valued in urban settings, and are there differences in this respect between urban and rural settings?
- Is continuity of forms more or less important than continuity of activities and processes?
- How does such continuity relate to current ideas of social and economic progress?
- What types of social, economic and cultural activities flourish within, and what types are restrained by historic settings?

Proposals for presentations that address these questions are especially welcome, but this should not discourage those wishing to address related landscape issues.

Proposals are invited within three (3) categories of presentations:

- **Papers :** 25-30 minute papers addressing issues in landscape preservation theory, practice, or education
- **Summaries of Works-in-Progress :** 10-15 min. discussions of on-going projects
- **Posters :** graphic presentations of projects using appropriate illustrative techniques. (One panel 30" by 40" is recommended.)

Because of time constraints, each person may submit only one proposal in the first two categories.

Submission Guidelines for each category

Papers

Please submit an abstract of 500 words or less outlining the topic of the paper, its context within theory, practice, or education, its timeliness, principal findings or conclusions, and questions for discussion.

Summaries of Works-in-Progress

Please submit a proposal of 250 words or less outlining the work-in-progress, its context and potential significance, and questions for discussion.

Posters

Please submit a proposal of 250 words or less outlining the project, its context and significance, and questions for discussion.

All abstracts and proposals must be submitted electronically as e-mail attachments - these should be Microsoft Word documents and be arranged as follows:

- Title page: this should note the type of presentation proposed, then give the title of the presentation, the author's name and complete mailing address, institution/firm affiliation, phone number and e-mail address
- Content pages: these should note the type of presentation and the title, and then provide an abstract or proposal within the word limits set out above - *please do not include your name or any identifying personal information on content pages*

All proposals should be sent to **Ian Firth** at the following e-mail address:
ijwfirth@uga.edu

The deadline for all submissions is Friday, 9th January, 2015

The Selection Process

A panel will evaluate all proposals using a blind review process. The program selection will be based on the following criteria (listed in order of importance):

- originality of content and approach
- likelihood of the topic stimulating interdisciplinary discussion, and
- relevance to the theme of the meeting.

Those making a proposal will be notified of the decision of the panel by **Friday 16th January 2015**.

Presenters must pre-register for the meeting and must take out memberships in the Alliance if they are not already members. The Alliance will provide boards to which posters of the recommended size can be attached, but those presenting posters are responsible for the transportation of their posters to and from Savannah.

Student Scholarships

The Alliance welcomes proposals from students and some scholarships are available for those whose proposals are accepted. Students wishing to apply for a scholarship should send their proposals together with their scholarship application materials to the AHLP Education Committee and not to Ian Firth. Please refer to the Alliance website for full scholarship application details.

Questions arising from this call for papers and posters may be e-mailed to **Ian Firth**.