

## Cityscape Detroit E-News Issue #31 – 28 February 2006

Cityscape Detroit advocates for improving Detroit's quality of life through excellence in architecture, urban design, urban planning, and historic preservation. Our built environment affects us daily, and it is Cityscape's goal to demonstrate how through improving these four key design elements, Detroit will become a dynamic and wonderful place to live, work, and play for all its area residents.

Cityscape Detroit's E-news periodically reports on items of interest in each of these four urban disciplines. Included in this issue of the Cityscape Detroit E-News are the following 11 news items:

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### **1) Friends of Belle Isle Aquarium Annual Meeting – Tonight!**

The Annual Meeting of the Friends of Belle Isle Aquarium (FOBIA) is scheduled for tonight, and the public is invited. Refreshments will be served. This group is continuing its efforts to have the Belle Isle Aquarium re-opened to the public. Come and see how you can get involved.

If you wish to attend, please confirm: [kate@belleisleaquarium.com](mailto:kate@belleisleaquarium.com)

When: Tuesday, Feb. 28th 6:00pm  
 Where: Marygrove College  
 Madame Cadillac Building  
 8425 West McNichols at Wyoming  
 Detroit, MI 48221

### **2) Upcoming Pertinent Conferences – through May 2006**

National Archives and Records Administration, 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Preservation Conference  
 March 16, 2006, College Park, MD  
[www.archives.gov](http://www.archives.gov)

American Institute of Architects, 5<sup>th</sup> Annual National Forum on Historic Preservation Practice: “A Critical Look at Authenticity and Historic Preservation”  
 March 23-25, 2006, Goucher College, Baltimore, MD  
[www.aia.org/hrc\\_default](http://www.aia.org/hrc_default)

Urban Dvlpt. & Redevelopment Seminar – 22 March 2006, Troy, MI

This one-day seminar is designed for architects, developers, commercial lending professionals, attorney, zoning board members and others.

For more information, log onto [www.lorman.com/online](http://www.lorman.com/online) to get more information about this and other seminars provided by Lorman Educational Services.

Seminar will be held at Hilton Detroit in Troy, and it will run from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Cost is \$299.

16th annual archeological prospection techniques workshop,

Current Archeological Prospection Advances for  
Non-Destructive Investigations in the 21st Century, May 15-19, Fort Frederica National Monument, St. Simons Is  
April 21.

<http://www.cr.nps.gov/mwac/training/ARCH06TNG.pdf>

Preservation Leadership Training, June 10-17, Nebraska City, Nebraska,

sponsored by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Application deadline: March 31.

<http://www.nationaltrust.org/plt/about.html>

National Endowment for the Humanities 2006 Landmarks of American History and Culture Training

NEH offers workshops this summer at 26 historic and cultural sites across the United States for K-12 teachers and workshops will bring up to 1,935 K-12 school teachers and 350 community college teachers together with scholar

<http://www.neh.gov/news/archive/20060111.html>

<http://www.neh.gov/projects/landmarks-school.html>

### **3) New Book Released on Cost of Urban Sprawl**

Would someone please send L. Brooks Patterson a copy to read. Robert Burchell, Anthony Downs, Sahan Mukherji, and Barbara McCann recently released Sprawl Costs: Economic Impacts of Unchecked Development, by Island Press in Washington, DC.

### **4) Honor Awards Nomination Forms Available on Line**

Each year the National Trust celebrates the best of preservation by presenting National Preservation Awards to individuals and organizations whose contributions demonstrate excellence in historic preservation. Statewide and Local Partners are encouraged to nominate a deserving individual, organization, agency, or project for a National Preservation Award.

The deadline for the National Preservation Honor Awards is May 1, 2006. Those nominations not selected to receive a Trustees, ACHP or HUD Award are automatically considered for an Honor Award. Download the nomination form from the National Trust's website at [www.nationaltrust.org/preservation\\_awards/](http://www.nationaltrust.org/preservation_awards/).

### **5) Save America's Treasures Application Now Available**

Save America's Treasures at the National Trust is pleased to join its public partners, the National Park Service, the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, and the country's other major cultural agencies, in announcing the 2006 Federal Save America's Treasures Guidelines and Application:

<http://www.cr.nps.gov/hps/treasures/index.htm>. Please note that the due date for applications has been extended to Tuesday April 18, 2006 at 5:00 pm Eastern Standard Time. This is not a postmark deadline - the application

must be received by that time.

For more information about the Save America's Treasure's program, e-mail [saveamericastreasures@nthp.org](mailto:saveamericastreasures@nthp.org), or call the staff at 202-588-6190.

#### **6) J. Timothy Anderson Awards for Excellence Hist. Rehab Apps due 15 July 2006**

The National Housing & Rehabilitation Association is proud to announce a call for entries to the second annual. The "Timmy" awards honor outstanding rehabilitation and preservation projects based on overall design and quality, interpretation and respect of historic elements, impact on the community, and financial and market success. Applications accepted until 15 July 2006

Due to the unprecedented response to the inaugural competition, NH&RA has incorporated additional categories for the 2006 "Timmy" Awards and converted application submission to an electronic process. A multi-disciplinary panel of judges, boasting expertise in architecture, real estate development, construction, public policy, and historic preservation will review all entries. Categories this year include: Affordable Housing (Small/Up to \$5 million total development cost); Affordable Housing (Large/Over \$5 million total development cost); Market-Rate Residential (Small/Up to \$5 million total development cost); Market-Rate Residential (Large/Over \$5 million total development cost); Mixed-Income Housing (Small/Up to \$5 million total development cost); Mixed-Income Housing (Large/Over \$5 million total development cost); Most Innovative Adaptive Re-Use and/or Commercial Rehabilitation; and Scattered Site/Multi-Property.

Winners will be recognized at an awards ceremony on October 9 at the 2006 NH&RA Fall Meeting in Boston, MA. To learn more about the J. Timothy Anderson Awards, please contact Debby Tempio, 202-939-1778, [dtempio@dworbell.com](mailto:dtempio@dworbell.com) or visit our website at <http://www.housingonline.com>. For more than 30 years National Housing & Rehabilitation Association, a Washington, DC-based trade association has been providing an ongoing forum for professionals in affordable housing and historic rehabilitation to exchange information, assess trends and build new business relationships.

#### **7) Michigan Heritage Guardian Award Nominations Open until 15 April 2006**

Awards are presented for: Outstanding Achievement in the Protection and Preservation of Michigan's Cultural and Humanities Resources. Log onto [www.macch.org](http://www.macch.org) for more details.

The MACCH presents this award to an organization or group, or to an individual for making an outstanding contribution toward the protection of the collections, sites, or objects that embody Michigan's cultural heritage. The winning achievements may involve documents, records, objects, historic and archaeological sites and landscapes, and artifacts of every day life held privately or publicly or collected by libraries, archives, and museums.

Nominations should be postmarked by April 15. Send Nominations to  
Michigan Heritage Guardian Award  
Michigan Humanities Council  
119 Pere Marquette Drive, Suite 3B  
Lansing Michigan, 48912-1270

Send questions to: [macchaward@umich.edu](mailto:macchaward@umich.edu)

#### **8) Save Our History Invites Applications for Two Programs**

Save Our History, a program of the History Channel and other partners, has two programs – Preservation Grants and Teacher and Student Honors. As part of this effort, the History Channel awards Save Our History grants to history organizations to fund partnerships with schools or youth groups on community preservation projects. The History Channel also annually honors teachers and students who demonstrate an exceptional commitment to local history education and historic preservation.

In 2006, the History Channel will award \$250,000 in Save Our History grants. History organizations can apply for up to \$10,000. (Deadline: June 2, 2006.) Save Our History National Honors (for teachers and students): The History Channel also wishes to honor teachers and students across the country who have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to local history through their preservation or history education efforts. Twenty-four students will win \$1,000 cash prizes.

One teacher and one student will each receive a \$5,000 cash prize and a free trip to Washington, D.C., where they will be recognized at the Save Our History National Honors Event in May 2006. (Deadline: April 7, 2006.)

For complete information on the Save Our History Grant Program or Save Our History National Honors Program, visit the Save Our History Web site. RFP Link:  
<http://fconline.fdncenter.org/pnd/10000786/saveourhistory>

### **9) "Telling Our Story" Workshop for Organization's History**

Organizations learn how to document their history, programs, community service. While leadership, members and programs change over the years, an upcoming statewide workshop is designed to help groups document and preserve their organizational history.

"Telling Our Story: An educational workshop for Michigan community organizations," is set for April 28-29, 2006, at the 4-H Kettunen Center, in Tustin, Mich. Participants will learn how to employ oral history interviewing methods, engage youth in documentary methods and share the story of their organization's record of service.

Workshop attendees will receive materials, training, and mentoring for community-based and youth-serving organizations to help record and tell their own histories, strengthen youth engagement and leadership, and use historical research, communication, and multimedia technology methods. Participants will also explore and learn oral history research and documentary methods, using the "Folkpatterns" curriculum materials pioneered by Michigan 4-H Youth Development and Michigan State University Museum. Learn about the history of community service and service-learning.

Register now! Deadline is April 14, 2006. Registration for "Telling Our Story" is \$84.50 and includes meals, overnight lodging, and all program and instructional supplies. (Discounted rate of \$ 44 for 4-H adult and teens). For more information, contact Kozma at (517) 353-5526 or a local MSU Extension office. For a complete flyer of the program, see the 4-H

Website: <http://web1.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/culture.html> Click on "Training & Events."

### **10) Detroit Synergy Groups Project Generation to Continue Super Bowl XL Momentum**

Detroit Synergy is planning a very exciting "Project Generation" session this March. The intent behind the session is to power SBXL momentum with ideas initiated and led by the community. This project generation session will flesh out the people's vision for sustaining SBXL momentum and will tap into the grassroots energy surrounding the Super Bowl through a unique community dialogue. A special invitation to share with your community organization and network is attached. The event specific details are below.

Meeting will be held March 9th 6:30pm-8:30pm at the Focus:HOPE Conference Center | 1400 Oakman Blvd | 3rd Floor of the Center for Advanced Technologies | Detroit | [www.focushope.edu](http://www.focushope.edu) | secure parking. For more information: [www.detroit synergy.org](http://www.detroit synergy.org).

### **11) African American History On-line on National Park Service Website**

The National Park Service's National Register of Historic Places will commemorate African American History Month with an online feature showcasing historic properties listed in the National Register, National Register publications, and national parks commemorating the events and people that help illustrate African American contributions to American history. The site also links to educational sources that examine different aspects of African American history. <http://www.cr.nps.gov/nr/feature/afam/>

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