Joint Conference "Currents of Change"

National Council on Public History American Society for Environmental History

2010 Annual Meetings

Portland, Oregon March 10-14, 2010

CALL FOR PROPOSALS



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In 2010 the American Society for Environmental History and the National Council on Public History will meet together at the Hilton Hotel in Portland, Oregon. Portland was recently named the nation's most sustainable city by The SustainLane US City Rankings and our conference will be held in the heart of downtown, with cafes, restaurants, several historic districts, and a river trail within easy walking distance. While many conference events will be shared, the two organizations will offer separate but coordinated programs. Both organizations invite panel, roundtable, workshop, working group, paper, and poster proposals for the conference.

Located at the confluence of the Columbia and Willamette rivers and in the center of the dynamic Pacific Northwest, Portland is an ideal place to consider issues and ideas structured around the theme "Currents of Change." These could include the relationship of human settlement to environmental transformation, the impact of power/energy development on ecological systems, the adaptive reuse/recycling of older and historic buildings and the notion of sustainable development, the rethinking of authenticity as a historic value, and interdisciplinary and culturally pluralistic approaches to historical issues. Proposals may address any area of environmental and public history, but we especially welcome submissions which illustrate or explicate the theme "Currents of Change."

The program committees prefer complete session proposals but will endeavor to construct sessions from proposals for individual presentations. Sessions will be scheduled for 1.5 hours; significant time for audience discussion should be included in every session. The committees invite proposals in formats beyond the typical paper session where presenters offer something other than verbatim recitals of written papers. Participants may give only one formal presentation at the conference, but they may also engage in roundtable, chairing, or comment duties. To submit proposals, go to the online conference system http://www.arts.ualberta.ca:80/~aseh/index.php/ncphconference/. Proposals are due by June 30, 2009.

All presenters and other participants are expected to register for the annual meeting. If you have questions, please contact the program committee chairs or the ASEH and NCPH Executive Directors:

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