

National Council on Public History 2010 ANNUAL MEETING Currents of Change March 10-14 Hilton Portland & Executive Tower

CALL FOR POSTERS

The National Council on Public History seeks proposals for its Poster Session at the 2010 Annual Meeting in Portland, Oregon, a joint conference with the American Society for Environmental History. The Poster Session is a format for public history presentations about projects that use visual evidence. It offers an alternative for presenters eager to share their work through one-on-one discussion, can be especially useful for work-in-progress, and may be a particularly appropriate format for presentations where visual or material evidence represents a central component of the project. Presenters may demonstrate and discuss websites or other computer applications for public history projects; mount table-sized exhibits of research or interpretation; or share images, audiovisual materials, and handouts from successful public programs.

In some years the Poster Session selection process has been more competitive than the one for regular panel sessions. Proposals should be persuasive and visually compelling. Imagine that the audience for the proposal abstract is a museum visitor, potential funding agency, recalcitrant policy board, intractable client, or fractious community group.

The Poster Session will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Hilton Portland, 3:00-5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 13. Participants set up their displays before the session and discuss their projects informally with conference attendees. NCPH will provide shared table space (e.g., half of a six-foot table), a tripod (for a poster board), or space on a bulletin board (36 in. x 48 in.) for all participants, and, with notice, may provide an electrical connection. Participants must provide their own computers, monitors, extension cords, or other audio-visual equipment.

Proposals must include (in **one** PDF document):

- 1. Contact information, including name, address, email, phone number, and affiliation, and brief explanation of display format/needs (e.g., table display, poster board, bulletin board, electrical).
- 2. An abstract of not more than 300 words, with a title, that explains and promotes the project.
- 3. A one-page c.v. or resume for each participant.
- 4. We encourage you to include a simple, one- or two-page visual mock-up of the display (e.g., created in PowerPoint, Photoshop, Publisher, etc. and saved as a PDF)

Submit electronically to <u>ncph@iupui.edu</u>, with subject line "2010 Poster," by December 10, 2009.

If accepted, graduate students are eligible to apply for the Graduate Student Travel Award.