

**South African Museums Association** 

Western Cape Region

Regional Conference and Annual General Meeting

OLD HARBOUR MUSEUM, HERMANUS

Thursday, 9 June – Friday, 10 June 2016

# ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONFERENCE AND CALL FOR PAPERS

# THE RELEVANCE OF MUSEUMS LOCATED WITHIN CULTURAL HERITAGE LANDSCAPES

## DATE AND VENUE

The SAMA Western Cape (*WC*) Conference will be held at the Old Harbour Museum, Whale House Lecture Room, Hermanus from Thursday 9 June to Friday 10 June 2016.

#### History of the Old Harbour Museum

In 1970 the Old Harbour was declared a National Monument and in 1972 the development of the area as an open-air museum was established and proclaimed 'a Museum'. (<u>read more</u>)

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

The 2016 SAMA WC Regional Conference invites papers on the broad theme of,

#### Museums located within a multi-layered Cultural Heritage Landscape

and the following sub-themes:

- 1. Western Cape Museums as interpretation centres of local, provincial and national heritage.
- 2. Museum and heritage practitioners sharing knowledge through their outreach programmes, research, scientific activities, exhibitions and their collections.
- 3. They are seen as the actors that advocate a balance between conservation, protection and sustainable development in consultation with partners in urban and landscape planning.

- 4. Museums and heritage practitioners provide centres and platforms for the education of cultural and natural heritage landscapes.
- 5. They are the custodians of all the values contained and embedded within a particular cultural heritage landscape.
- 6. Cultural landscapes: intangible/living heritage and im/movable heritage (Pertaining to all forms of indigenous knowledge and oral traditions associated with tangible heritage. This can include music, medicinal knowledge, scared practices, traditional architecture etc.)
- 7. Museums, cultural landscapes and community participation (The partnership of museums with non-governmental organisations, non-profit organisations; the contribution of affore mentioned community structures, museum programmes within communities that focus on culture, heritage and museums in communities.)

#### Presentation on conference papers

The duration of each presentation shall not exceed 20 minutes. Please honour the time-limit. Provision has been made for automatic time-keeping at the conference.

#### **SPECIAL PROGRAMMES AND / OR PROJECTS**

This slot has been created for institutions to share new or exciting developments. Members have the opportunity to share any special programmes or projects they are currently developing or offering. The presentation does not have to reflect the conference theme. Participate by presenting a paper of no more than 10 (ten) minutes.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

#### Abstract for papers (Special programmes / projects and conference paper)

An abstract on the paper need to be submitted, meeting the following criteria;

- Abstract must not exceed 300 words.
- Include your name and surname, a short biography, your contact details and your institutional affiliation.
- Please indicate if and what audio visual equipment will be required.

Please send your abstract(s) to:

Leon Steyn at <u>samawc.communications@gmail.com</u> and cc Eliz-Marié Schoonbee at <u>samawc.secretary@gmail.com</u>.

#### Deadline for all abstracts Monday, 9 May 2016

*Please find attached the abstract submission form, to be completed for both conference papers and special programmes / projects.* 

#### **CONFERENCE FEES**

Members		Non-members	
2-day conference :	R500	2-day conference :	R600
Daily rate:	R250	Daily rate:	R300

Above rates include the conference dinner.

#### ACTIVITIES

A conference dinner will be held on Thursday 9 June at a venue to be confirmed.

#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

For registration and general enquiries, please contact Eliz-Marié Schoonbee at <u>samawc.secretary@gmail.com</u> or Cecilene Muller at <u>samawc.chair@gmail.com</u> / 072 252 8950.

For conference paper or presentation enquiries, please contact

Leon Steyn at <a href="mailto:samawc.communications@gmail.com">samawc.communications@gmail.com</a> / 083 285 6823.

*Please find attached registration form to be completed, upon which an invoice shall be emailed for payment.* 

# " It has been years since we've seen each other!

Time for all the Museum people of the Western Cape, to get together again.

Come re-unite with old friends or meet new ones!

Lets meet at Hermanus! "

SAMA Western Cape Committee