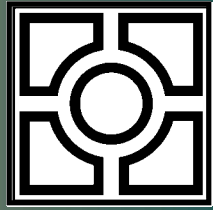


IFLA News



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The Incoming Executive Committee of IFLA

President
Diane Menzies



Through education IFLA will continue to build a recognised, respected and vital profession.

IFLA will also re-establish a permanent secretariat, form a Foundation as a new funding source for IFLA, and continue collaboration with international colleagues and allied organisations to work for global sustainability.

Secretary General
Radmila Fingerova



We are to be a virtually new and even more ambitious organization, formed by the coming together of the European Foundation of Landscape Architecture (EFLA) and the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) Central Region. Through this coming together we will also have a professional secretariat with permanent staff.

Treasurer
James Hayter



Landscape architecture will continue to develop as one of the most dynamic and relevant of the design professions, becoming even more involved with increasingly complex environmental, social and economic decision making. IFLA will also play an increasingly important role in promoting, sharing information and advocating our professional values.

Western Region VP
Darwina Neal



Strengthening and advancing the education, practice and awareness of landscape architecture as a profession within the region and the world through integrated communication, collaboration to ensure continuity of on-going efforts and support for new member associations are among 2006 -2008 goals for the Western Region.

Central Region VP
Thanos Sklavenitis



In a continuous developing and changing world, the profession of the landscape architect is expected to influence changes by taking the lead in shaping the environment. With the formulation of the IFLA European Region, this task is enhanced, not only for Europe, but for the whole planet.

Eastern Region VP
Tong Mahn Ahn



More opportunities for members to participate in IFLA need to be provided. Members will be invited to publish a series of landscape books. Cyber space for members to meet, exhibit their works, and discuss them will be provided. "Club 100 Landscape Architects" may be established, and members will donate to IFLA 100 US dollars each year.

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International Relations

President Martha Fajardo at UNESCO

By Brigitte Colin



Brigitte Colin at the UNESCO/ IUA-ISOCARP-IFLA meeting

An impressive enhancement of IFLA's cooperation with our Organization and other city professional NGO's from 2003/2006

Only after 18 months of Martha's mandate as President of IFLA, Mr. Koïchiro Matsuura, Director General of UNESCO, wrote "I am happy that the Organization is associated with the excellent work being done by your Federation" at the occasion of UNESCO's auspices to the award of the first Sir Geoffrey Jellicoe Gold Medal. With reference to the criteria for the selection of this award concerning the promotion at international level of the profession of Landscape Architect, the expansion of quality education she has made a tremendous work. As well she created a sound cooperation with the International Union of Architects (UIA) or the International Society of City and Regional Planners (ISOCARP): even though, she is a fragile nice woman, she has made a giant step ahead for the Federation with the indefectible support of Mrs. Diane Menzies.

As far as the Sector of Social Sciences of UNESCO is concerned, IFLA is now, with her enthusiastic support, a major partner of UNESCO Chair in Landscape and Environment. For the World Heritage Center and the MAB program 'Man & Biosphere', IFLA's participation is a "MUST" for all major conferences in particular for the enhancement of World Heritage Historic Urban Landscapes or the promotion of Urban Ecology.

Moreover, Martha has grabbed all opportunities to create links between UNESCO's partners working on urban development, in particular with the research network on intermediate cities and the world urbanization coordinated by the city of Lerida in Spain. Accordingly, she leaves a heavy task for her successor who will have to make real the World Landscape Convention and to keep alive all partnerships and cooperation that Martha had initiated with her strong will and efficient kindness.



Photo taken at UNESCO with the President of ISOCARP, UIA, IFLA and various colleagues of UNESCO

In any case, Urban Development activities at UNESCO would certainly benefit from her as a resource person representing IFLA for our forthcoming activities in 2007/2008.

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Hal Moggridge designated representative at the UNESCO World Heritage Centre WHC

Mr. Francesco Bandarin; UNESCO WHC Director has invited the International Federation of Landscape Architects to be a partner in developing the concept of Historic Urban Landscapes.

Global interest in historic urban landscapes has increased rapidly in recent years. There is a widespread need for exchange of technical, conceptual information and broad collaboration across cultures, and IFLA expert members are making enormous contributions to the concept of Historic Urban Landscapes.

To ensure continuity with this work I have designated a representative who will follow this project through for IFLA. Hal Moggridge has agreed to represent IFLA and is to attend the first planning meeting of the Working Group members on Monday 25 September 2006 at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris. Hal Moggridge is a member of the Landscape Institute. He has tremendous experience in heritage issues, and has advised the British Government in this topic. He is also a very active member of the IFLA/ICOMOS committee of Cultural Landscapes so is an ideal person to take this role for IFLA.

Martha Fajardo IFLA President

IFLA Mission to Kenya

James R. Taylor FCSLA FASLA
*IFLA Vice President Western Region
 Education Committee Chair*

During the period from September 16 to 22, Grant Donald and Jim Taylor made a visit to Kenya in support of a number of IFLA Programs. The primary focus of the mission was three-fold: 1) to conduct an advisory visit to the newly formed Department of Landscape Architecture Department at Jomo Kenyatta University just outside Nairobi, 2) to visit with the Architectural Association of Kenya, Landscape Architecture Division that has recently become active again within IFLA, and 3) to meet with key contacts at UN-HABITAT in Nairobi.



The IFLA Accreditation team in Kenya (Grant Donald, Jim Taylor and Angela Yao on the right)

The accreditation team spent three days on the campus of Jomo Kenyatta, which is the home of the first professional undergraduate landscape architecture program in central Africa. Angela Yao, landscape architect from Shanghai also served on the team. Grant Donald, chair of the IFLA African Working Group sees this as an important educational base for the development of the profession in this part of the continent.

Taylor and Donald spoke to the Architecture Association of Kenya Convention in Nairobi on Urban Issues and Landscape Architecture and met with Robert Kariuki, Chair and Melanie Richards, Secretary of the Landscape Architecture Division. Finally, we met with Lars Reutersward, Director of the Global Division of UN-Habitat, Selman Erguden, coordinator of Habitat Professionals Forum that IFLA is a part of, and with other officials responsible for their Environment Programme.

I will report further on the activities of the African Working Group at the World Council and in future issues of IFLA News.

Historic Cities in the 21st Century – Towards New Approaches in Urban Conservation

An academic workshop to be held in Jerusalem 4th -6th June 2006 at the Brigham Young University, Jerusalem Center for Near Eastern Studies, celebrating 60 years of UNESCO

Heiner Rodel
*Past Secretary General
 International Federation of Landscape Architects*



The topic of a most interesting event, organized by the Palestinian Al Quds University and the Israeli Bezalel, Academy of Arts & Design under the patronage of UNESCO's World Heritage Centre and with the support of the Government of the Netherlands. UNESCO Partners where ICOMOS, ICCROM, UIA, IFHP and IFLA, represented by Heiner Rodel, past IFLA Secretary General and Delegate of the Swiss Association of Landscape Architects. The academic workshop was held in Jerusalem 4th - 6th June 2006 at the Brigham Young University, Jerusalem Centre for Near Eastern Studies, celebrating 60 year of UNESCO.

The workshop was the first in a series of international meetings to give follow-up to the Vienna Conference on "World Heritage and Contemporary Architecture" of last May 2005. Last year during UNESCO's General Conference in September, the General Assembly of States Parties to the World Heritage Convention adopted a Declaration on the Conservation of Historic Urban Landscapes as a direct result of the Vienna Conference and its Memorandum. While it was recognized that the Memorandum needs fine-tuning, it was much welcomed and the Director-General of UNESCO has been asked to start up a process to arrive at a UNESCO Recommendation on the Safeguarding of Historic Urban Landscapes (a "soft law"), aimed for submission and adoption by UNESCO's General Conference in 2009.

The Jerusalem meeting was a first, where regional concepts and approaches to Historic Urban Landscape were discussed. The networking event was developed based on an initial idea proposed by representatives of a Palestinian University, Al Quds, and an Israeli, Bezalel, in a quest to keep a dialogue going between the two countries.

For the complete article and its strategies, please visit the IFLA website www.iflaonline.org

2006 ASLA Annual Meeting and IFLA 43rd. World Congress



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Known as the City of Lakes, Minneapolis is scenically situated on the Mississippi River and embraces more than 22 lakes within the city limits.

Congress Highlights

Inspiring General Sessions

Saturday, Sunday, Monday

On Saturday, hear from Jean-Michel Cousteau, educator, environmentalist, and film producer. Also on Saturday, the Plenary Session will feature Kongjian Yu, International ASLA, Dean and Professor of the Graduate School of Landscape Architecture at Peking University. On Sunday, Catherine Mosbach, International ASLA, a prominent landscape architect from Paris, will discuss her work which is noted for fostering a connection between person and location. On Monday afternoon, Mayor Richard Daley, Honorary ASLA, (invited) will talk about his efforts to make Chicago the greenest city in the nation.

96 Continuing Education Programs

Friday through Tuesday

Earn continuing education credit toward maintenance of your state license (where mandated) with 96 educational opportunities from which to select. Featuring leading experts in the profession, this year's educational offerings will provide a variety of choices that meet your licensure requirements and your practice needs.

ASLA EXPO & ULI/ASLA Bookstore

Saturday and Sunday

With more than 400 exhibitors, the ASLA EXPO is the largest trade show in the industry for landscape architects and allied design and construction professionals. Explore hundreds of new products, browse the ULI/ASLA Bookstore, and pick up your complimentary ASLA tote bag. Back by popular demand, Bill Thompson, FASLA, editor-in-chief of Landscape Architecture magazine, will be on hand to discuss projects and articles for upcoming issues. Full conference registrants receive two \$10 food vouchers to be used in the EXPO hall.

Social Events

Friday, October 6

IFLA Kick-Off Reception

7:00pm-9:00pm Hilton Hotel

Ticketed event; tickets will not be sold at the door. IFLA invites you to mingle with colleagues from around the world and sample delicious international cuisine at this special World Congress event. Don't miss this opportunity to make friends and share ideas with your counterparts in other countries.

Saturday, October 7

ASLA Council of Fellows Investiture Reception and Dinner: 8:00pm-11:00pm, Hyatt Regency
Ticketed event. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Join friends and colleagues for an elegant evening honoring the Council of Fellows' Class of 2006. Formal attire is appropriate, but not required, for attendees.

Sunday, October 8

ASLA-Landscape Structures Gala

7:00pm-11:00pm

Nicollet Island Pavilion

Ticketed event. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Join us at the Nicollet Island Pavilion for a casual evening of great local food, live music, and breathtaking views of the fall colors. Situated on an island in the Mississippi River, this unique park facility offers one of the best views of downtown Minneapolis, the historic Horseshoe Falls, and the Stone Arch Bridge. Children are welcome!

Accommodation

The original headquarters hotels for the [ASLA Annual Meeting & EXPO and IFLA World Congress](#) have sold out, predicting record attendance for the largest gathering of landscape architects in the world. Listed in order of proximity to the Convention Center:

- Crowne Plaza Northstar Hotel Web Site: www.msp-northstar.crowneplaza.com
- Best Western Normandy Inn Web Site: www.bestwesternminnesota.com/HotelsRes/Minneapolis_Downtown.htm
- Radisson Plaza Hotel Minneapolis Web Site: www.radisson.com/minneapolismn_plaza
- Chambers Minneapolis Web Site: www.chambersminneapolis.com

IFLA Schedule

Tues 3rd – IFLA EXCO
Wed 4th – IFLA World Council
Thurs 5th - IFLA World Council
Fri 6th - IFLA reception
Sat 7th - Conference day 1
Sun 8th - Conference day 2
Mon 9th - Conference day 3

2006 IFLA Student Design Competition

By **Beverly A. Sandalack, PhD, FCSLA, MCIP, Chair**
IFLA Competitions Committee



The 2006 IFLA World Congress will be held in conjunction with the ASLA Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota, 6-9 October 2006. The IFLA Student Design Competition Convener was Lance Neckar, Professor of Landscape Architecture, University of Minnesota.

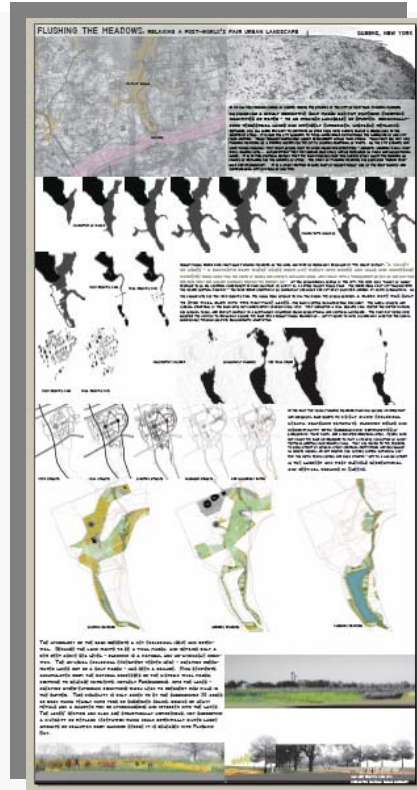
The jury was composed of three members: locally-appointed jury members: Kristine Miller, Associate Professor, Department of Landscape Architecture, University of Minnesota, and Andrew Caddock, Senior Landscape Architect, Close Landscape Architecture, Minneapolis, and IFLA representative: Beverly Sandalack, Professor, Urban Design, and Director, The Urban Lab, University of Calgary, and IFLA Competitions Committee Chair.

The submissions responded to a competition brief requesting projects from students of landscape architecture that would address the problems of Damaged Landscapes. A total of 104 submissions were received from university programs around the world. The jury was very pleased to select the following for prizes:

1st Place – IFLA Prize for Landscape Architecture US \$3,500 & Certificate: 'Flushing the Meadows – relaxing a post-World's Fair urban landscape'

Ms. Sarah Siegel; Master of Landscape Architecture Program, Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design, University of Toronto, Ontario, CANADA

This project re-considered the role that a large urban park might play, and examined its recreation, social and ecological performance. Flushing Meadows in the City of New York has evolved from a highly productive salt marsh habitat filtering enormous quantities of water to an impaired landscape with eutrophied, unstable wetlands.



Land uses have included a dumping grounds, World's Fair site, professional sports arenas, institutional buildings, and large recreation and festival areas, all discontinuous from the surrounding communities.

The historical evolution analysis showed that important cultural and historical landscapes had been, or were being, lost, and the hydrological and other layers were being denied or obscured by the landscape processes.

The resolution was well fitted to the program and to the various recreation uses. The project proposed a hydrological regime that was a significant and appropriate improvement, and it advocated re-establishing and/or conserving elements that had cultural or historical significance. Maintenance of this large urban park was also considered.

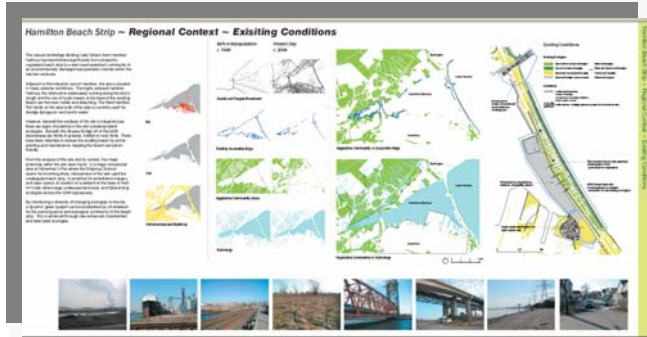
The submission was very clear, thorough and logical, and the graphic communication was exceptional. There were some interesting graphics included in the panels, for example, an illustration showing the sections of the site assembled as a plan drawing, which showed the site features in an innovative way. The project panels included an appropriate level of detail, while remaining highly legible and interesting to read.

2nd Place – IFLA Zvi Miller Prize

US \$2,500 & Certificate:

'Hamilton Beach Strip'

Ms. Van Thi Diep, Master of Landscape Architecture Program Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design, University of Toronto, Ontario, CANADA



This project dealt with the natural land bridge dividing Lake Ontario from Hamilton Harbour and considered its transformation from a vegetated beach area to a well-loved waterfront community to an environmentally damaged transportation corridor within the last two centuries.

It included very effective graphic analysis of the site, including historical evolution analyses that described the site very well. It included strategies for enhanced, transformed and fabricated ecologies, and seemed to understand the necessary relationships between humans and their environments.

The graphics were spare but effective, and included drawings showing the proposed temporal evolution of the interventions as well as cross sections through the site that resolved the physical design issues. The photographs and diagrams were effective in illustrating the site, and conveying the character of the area.

3rd Place – Merit Award, MASLA/ASLA Minnesota

US \$1,000 & Certificate:

'The Courses: Dynamic Management Planning towards Flood, Agriculture and Environment in a Freshwater Wetland of China'

Ms. Zheng Chen, Graduate Student of Landscape Architecture, College of Architecture and Urban Planning; Mr. Li-Zhi Bo, Graduate Student, Urban Planning and Design; Ms. Wen Liu, Undergraduate Student, Art and Design Tongji University, Shanghai, Peoples Republic of CHINA



The project consisted of exceptional analysis of very complex issues. The Sanyang Wetland in the countryside of Wenzhou is facing challenges of food production, environmental problems and habitat restoration. In addition, the area is subject to frequent floods. The approach of the project considered how to work with the natural courses, including the floods, and to adjust agriculture and other activities according to the year-round hydrological cycles and lifecycles, focusing on time as well as space.

The panels were very well laid out and visually interesting. A combination of graphic methods were used to advantage, including several analytical techniques, diagrams, charts, air photos, and three dimensional models. The authors demonstrated an understanding of larger scale issues and planning implications, as well as more detailed understanding of ecology, crop rotation, and individual plant and animal cycles.

Although the project did not propose a physical design solution, it succeeded in defining the issues and in laying out conceptual directions for a master plan.

2006 Chinese Landscape Architecture Education Conference was hosted by: Chinese Society of Landscape Architecture (CHSLA), organized by Landscape Architecture Education Branch (in preparation), CHSLA, co-organized by Landscape Architecture Magazine and Chinese Landscape Architecture Journal. The theme of it is Landscape Architecture: Career-Talent-Education. The conference was held in Beijing Forestry University, Beijing from 19-20 September 2006. The delegates from over 100 universities across China attended the event which aims to strengthen LA education, establish a scientific, rational and complete LA education system, and promote the cultivation of students and discuss landscape architectural development and needs for the talents in China, current issues and strategies of Chinese LA education, and world landscape architectural discipline, education and trends. President Ganshi Zhou, other leaders and experts spoke at the conference. The conference was supported by the Ministry of Construction and the Ministry of Education. It is believed a milestone in the history of Chinese Landscape Architecture Education.

By Prof. Xiaoming Liu, CHSLA delegate



IFLA World Council Meeting Banff, Canada May, 2003



IFLA WR Conference, Buenos Aires, June, 2004



IFLA CR Conference Moscow, Russia September 2003



IFLA World Council Ta She resort Taiwan, August 2004



CR Versailles meeting coming together, February 2004



ER Conference Mumbai, India February 2005



IFLA CR Prague Conference May 2004



CHSLA President and Officers, Beijing, October 2005



IFLA World Congress Edinburgh, June 2005



IFLA Western Region participants at the Lima Conference, November 2005

2003/2006 IFLA Wind of Changes

Central Region

Athens 2006 International Landscape Architecture Symposium:

Friday 15th September



Thank you to those who contributed to the success of the Athens 2006 International Landscape Architecture Symposium Establishing Landscape Architecture in Greece and in the Wider Mediterranean World - The European Experience.

We made great links between the countries of the Mediterranean area which I hope will continue until the next Symposium in 2008 and beyond. I also hope that the calls for action in education, in relation to other professions, in lobbying government and in carrying out good work and telling people about it, will encourage and inspire Landscape Architects around the Mediterranean to make significant steps in establishing Landscape Architecture between now and Istanbul. We have certainly made a lot of friends for Landscape Architecture and created a really positive attitude and opportunity in Greece.

We have a fantastic opportunity to use the wide support we received from government officials, architects engineers, educationalists and others to create a broad interest group to lobby for landscape issues and Landscape Architecture Thank you for reminding us that the current opportunity is about quality of work, inclusiveness and about what is best for the landscape in its broad sense as defined in the European Landscape Directive.

Simon Rackham, LA
Julia Georgi (Vice-President PHALA)
Elissavet Bargianni, LA
Dimitra Solidaki (Treasurer PHALA)

The forest of blue balloons

75 years and still kicking



The forest of blue balloons



Martin Rein-Cano – on site

The 75th anniversary of the Danish Association was celebrated over 4 days from the 24th to the 27th of August with events, partying and meetings. The landscape architecture students from the 3 schools 'planted' a forest of blue balloons on one of the city squares, illustrating the brief pleasure, the fugitive aspect of landscape thought. Then there was of course the official reception, the big gala party and a meeting of all the Nordic associations. But the main event was a 3 day international master class/workshop.

The purpose of the master class was to exchange professional knowledge in an intense social atmosphere. It took place in one of the future city developments in Copenhagen, Ørestad Syd. A temporary camp of small yellow tents was established on-site with working areas and tents for the 40 participants and helpers from 8 countries.

The camp just before people moved in, in itself an installation in the bare landscape

Inspired by the successful Danish Dogma idea of no-nonsense filmmaking, the concept of the Master Class will apply the Dogma "back to basics" working method in creating landscapes from models in scale 1:1. Three outstanding international landscape architects: Martin Rein-Cano from Germany, Claude Cormier from Canada and Rainer Stange from Norway accepted our challenge to serve as masters in this experiment. For 3 days 6 groups developed a concept in collaboration with and inspired by a master on their chosen lot of land. The result of the camp will be 12 unique landscapes situated on the site of a future city. The camp celebrated the Anniversary by demonstrating the status of today's landscape and showed directions for the future.

The camp was such a huge success on both a social and a professional level that we hope to repeat it in another format in 2-3 years.

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Some Thoughts at the End of Martha Cecilia Fajardo's Presidency



By Arno Sighart Schmid,
*IFLA International Liaison Representative
and Past President*

Martha Cecilia Fajardo has not been the first lady to take up office as President of IFLA. That honour goes to Dame Sylvia Crowe, who served as President in 1969.

However, Martha has been the first woman to be elected under normal and regular circumstances, since Dame Sylvia, as a founding member of IFLA, kindly and graciously stepped in when Richard Schreiner, then President of IFLA, died during his term of office.

Martha has served the Federation extremely well in her incomparable and vivid style, and has made a tremendous contribution to IFLA's visibility and acceptance in other international organizations and other professions. I also feel that it has served IFLA well to have a lady at the helm of the organization in a period of time when women are taking on more and more responsibility worldwide, and are increasingly growing into leadership roles in many fields.

Our sincerest thanks go out to her at the end of her second term, and we congratulate her on her achievements. At the same time our best wishes are addressed to Dr. Diane Menzies, who will now take on the task to continue the successful course of our Federation into an even brighter future.

Eyes in Minneapolis and the Coming Together of IFLA and EFLA



Teresa Andresen, Radmila Figerova, Alfonso Vegara, Martha Fajardo

IFLA World Council is just about to take place in Minneapolis. At this event taking place jointly with the ASALA Annual Meeting and following the mandate received from EFLA (European Foundation for Landscape Architecture) 2005 General Assembly EFLA is to be accepted in IFLA as representing the European Region. This step as part of *The Coming Together of IFLA and EFLA* creates the opportunity for a more unified and effective voice for landscape architecture worldwide and naturally brings changes to our organizations.

The Coming Together of IFLA and EFLA was initiated in Paris, in February 2004, when Martha Fajardo and I met for the first time. We can say this has been a long journey of many steps. IFLA CR and EFLA have now been operating in a combined way for a year holding joint Executive Council meetings and implementing together various tasks and meetings.

With our eyes in Minneapolis we envision that as of 1 January 2007, EFLA becomes the European Region of IFLA. The World Council in Minneapolis will be followed by EFLA General Assembly, next November in Brussels.

2007 will be a year of adjustment and moving forward into the essence of the competencies, responsibilities and dreams of our profession. We have already experienced a serious and enriching learning period that places the European Region of IFLA – EFLA – ready for the new challenges.

Europe in many aspects is ahead in the implementation of environmental policies and in the struggle to reach a more sustainable and fair way of living for all. The Lisbon Agenda has set high standards for a competitive Europe in the days of globalisation. Such target not always goes easily with the implementation of environmental principles and sustainable development goals. Landscape architects can not help but get engaged in the trend and try to contribute innovatively to make the difference. For EFLA working closer in a broader community as IFLA can not help but to strengthen this aim.

For the past three years I had the privilege to know and work with Martha Fajardo, IFLA President. Her term in this position will come to an end in Minneapolis. Martha Fajardo with her broad understanding of landscape architecture and the world has left a very significant imprint for our profession. She will go on contributing to our profession – free from the everyday chores of operating IFLA – and will continue to be an inspiration for us all. Thank you, Martha Fajardo!

IFLA will be now lead by Diane Menzies from New Zealand. Diane is again another highly committed landscape architect. I had also the privilege to work with her from the very beginning of *The Coming Together of IFLA and EFLA* as she was instrumental from the very first steps in Prague, in May 2004. We wish all the successes to Diane Menzies!

By Teresa Andresen, EFLA President

Western Region

1st ABAP INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS BRAZIL Methods and Project Practices in Landscape Architecture in Latin America

Rio de Janeiro November, 22nd and to 24th 2006



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Celebrating its 30th anniversary, ABAP (Associação Brasileira de Arquitetos Paisagistas), in partnership with PROURB – Programa de Pós-graduação em Urbanismo from Faculdade de Arquitetura e Urbanismo of Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro and the support of IFLA.

ABAP is very pleased to invite you to its 1st. International Congress, to be held in Rio de Janeiro from November, 22nd and to 24th 2006.

The objectives of 1st ABAP International Congress are:

- Discussing the theoretical and practical creation of landscape architecture over the last thirty years;
- Questioning about the future of the profession through key issues concerning Latin America landscape architecture, as well as reflecting over specific concepts, technical solutions and design alternatives found by professionals in each country;
- Revealing contemporary Latin America landscape architecture which, although geographically close, is rather unknown by the majority of landscape architecture professionals within the continent;
- Promoting academic and professional improvement, creating opportunities for a better communication and cooperating among Latin American colleagues.

The Congress structure covers the following sub themes:

- Landscape and Memory;
- Landscape, Nature and Culture;
- Landscape and Graphic Representation: challenges and possibilities;
- Landscape and Future: developments and perspectives.

Competition

Together with the Congress, it will take place the 1st ABAP International Landscape Architecture Competition, open to all Latin America professionals and students. This competition aims to be a novel and comprehensive exhibition covering recent Latin American landscape production.

Activities

November, 22nd to 24th 2006: Conference sessions

November, 25th, 2006: Technical visit

More information is available at the ABAP official web

page: www.abap.org.br

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Pat Caughey, FASLA, President- ASLA Elect

Pat Caughey, FASLA, of Solana Beach, California, has been selected by the ASLA membership to be president-elect of the Society.



Concepts and Aims Statement:

"Let us not sell ourselves short. Often we do not acknowledge, publicly and proudly, that we are landscape architects. We own small firms, lead multinational practices, educate the next generation, and work in public service. We are part of such an important profession, and it is our responsibility to share what it means to be a landscape architect. I embrace the internal debates. I commit to open, engaged discourse on licensure, continuing education, and defining our body of knowledge. Let's build upon the things that draw us together and work to overcome those things that are divisive. And then let us go out and tell people!"

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Therapeutic Garden Design Professional Practice Network

The members of the Therapeutic Garden Design Professional Practice Network will have the opportunity to gather during the ASLA/IFLA Meeting in Minnesota. One of the ways we are able to meet and share information is during the standing TGD PPN business meeting on Sunday, Oct. 8th from 1:00-2:00 pm. The location should be posted in on-site meeting materials. This is an opportunity to meet others who share common interests in the pursuit of the development of Therapeutic Gardens and Landscapes. We cordially invite you to please join us to share ideas and experiences.

There has also been an interest in meeting in a more informal social/networking gathering at a local pub or eatery. We would enjoy this international exchange and are surveying our listserv as to interest and availability. We would welcome your attendance at this function as well.

Western Region Members pay tribute to outstanding accomplishments by the IFLA President

Throughout the southern countries a warm wind of gratefulness and recognition embraces Western Region members and national associations within the worldwide IFLA family. We express gratitude and admiration for a Presidency marked by sensitivity, clearness of mind, strong will and an enormous amount of work which allowed long awaited and needed changes in IFLA.



Western Region participants at the Lima Peru Conference lead by Carmen Iberico

Martha Cecilia Fajardo's four year administration brought about a new visibility to the Landscape Architecture profession, made a substantial increase in membership, looked for more open, democratic ways to participate and enhanced communications according to present needs and technology.

Significant achievements include: consolidation of regional structures as dynamic and well integrated entities; improved media exchange, like the distribution of the IFLA News through the net and its translation to Spanish; incorporation of new member associations such as the Chinese Society of Landscape Architecture and the Indian Society of Landscape Architects; and solutions to inherited conflicts such as the relationship IFLA- EFLA.

She has provided stronger support for organizing events, symposiums, and regional conferences, to make attendance at national and international meetings more accessible. She has emphasized the creation and support for working committees; strengthened IFLA's Education program as in the case of Africa and Asia, and in Brazil, followed by Guatemala and other LA countries.

She has liaised with local and national governments to make them aware of the importance and usefulness of the Landscape Architecture profession. An example was the challenge made by President Fajardo when she addressed the board of the Organizing Committee of the Summit of the Americas, during her visit to Costa Rica for the symposium on Landscaping and Life Quality.

Goals well achieved provide a sense of accomplishment. In the search for continuity this provides the promise that such well-deserved recognition is a source of inspiration for future new courses of action.

Gracias Martha, in the name of IFLA, the Landscape Profession and our increasingly active region.

The Colleagues from IFLA's Western Region

Urban Landscape Issues Addressed In Regional Forum

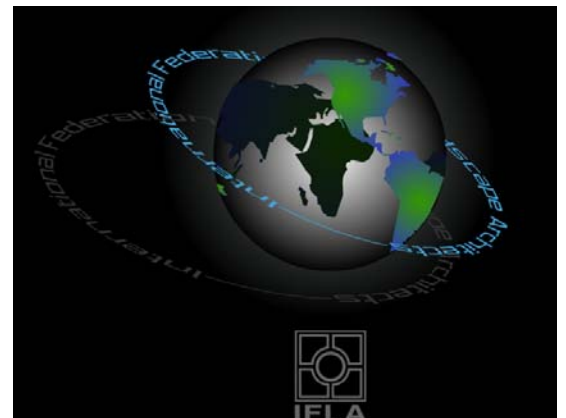
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Local governments, national organizations and IFLA's Task Force for Central America and the Caribbean set up a Forum for communication and technical discussion. This meeting gathered together mayors from major Latin America cities.

Under the name: **"Body of the city"**, analysis and discussion of urban development strategies by mayors from Latin America (September 18th to 22nd 2006 in San Jose, Costa Rica) this reunion provided for discussion of professional, political and implementation issues as seen by the municipalities of cities within the metropolitan regions of Guatemala, Tegucigalpa, Managua, San Jose, San Salvador, Santo Domingo, Ciudad Panamá, Bogotá, Buenos Aires and others.

The event was organized by Veritas University, the Municipality of San Jose, and various national associations, including ASOPAISAJE the Costa Rican landscape association member of IFLA, the Committee of Urban Forestry, and urban planning and housing foundations. IFLA's presence and contribution were also provided through IFLA's Central American and the Caribbean Task Force chaired by Carlos Jankilevich.

Key speakers on landscape and environment included Alfonso Leiva from Colombia, Jorge Glusber from Argentina spoke on Urban Change and Society, and Andres Fernández from Costa Rica spoke on Culture and the city.



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A Report from Down Under 2006 er Conference, Sydney, Australia

Paul Costigan

Executive Director Australian Institute of Landscape Architects

To all our colleagues in the IFLA eastern region and beyond, who may have thought about coming to Sydney for the recent IFLAer conference ~ Where were you? You missed a good one!

This conference was a joint venture by the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) in partnership with the New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects (NZILA) and the University of New South Wales (UNSW), and was a raging success. Just have a look at the faces on the people below. Sydney definitely knows how to party, and to be occasionally serious as well.

This was a conference where the organisers had allowed ample time for discussions and for networking. To ensure informed and inspiring debates, the delegates were engaged by a diversity of international key speakers, speakers from New Zealand, Australia and the eastern region. The atmosphere was complete with lively discussions and a buzz of comradeship and networking. And the food was a treat!

The AILA, being the main host, is now in the position of concern as it seems we have set a benchmark for ourselves!

The theme of this conference was TIME in recognition of both the positive and negative impacts of change, on both contemporary society and the landscape. Speakers examined the pivotal role of time and change in landscape architecture through three themes: TIME as Catalyst, Designing with TIME & TIME and Technology.

International speakers included Kathryn Gustafson, Kongjian Yu, Martha Fajardo, Sean Chiao and Astrid Haryati. The session papers and papers from two key speakers should appear on the web site soon. Copies of the papers are being printed and will be available from the AILA National Office – details online.

One common theme that developed was the role of governments, in particular the decision makers such as the mayors. There were several key debates on how landscape architects need to do more to influence the decision makers in the delivery of urban spaces. It is these people, the decision makers, who have become the key to the survival of the planet as we confront the environmental challenges, locally as well as globally.



AILA members mixing it with their NZILA colleagues

As a key outcome of the IFLAer conference, the AILA is now discussing as a priority what is it that we need to put in place that provides guidance for the development of environmental policies by national, state and local governments and other agencies, such as developers, involved with the future of Australia's built environments.

Landscape is a fundamental aspect of Australian (both indigenous & non indigenous) identity and culture. The focus has to be on the landscape of the built and natural environment, while recognising the importance of the landscape; that on which all living systems depend.

Eastern Region

The AILA will now be working alongside the IFLA and the NZILA to develop a Landscape Charter for Australia. The Charter will recognise the role landscape architects in creating equitable and sustainable solutions to outdoor environments and signal a commitment to the promotion of stewardship of Australia's urban and other built environments in the context of the total landscape.

The Australian Landscape Charter will recognise that the landscape architecture profession is at a crucial point in its development and in how it is perceived by other professions and the community

The opportunity exists to respond proactively to a range of issues including the pressing realities of climate change and environmental degradation.

The time is ripe to build on the IFLAer conference and to establish Australian landscape architects as both stewards and leaders of solutions for the external environment within Australia.

Conference information –links to papers:

<http://www.aila.org.au/time>

Australia Landscape Charter

<http://www.aila.org.au/charter>

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The May 2006 IFLAer Conference Papers- The book is available for purchase

The book introduces the first of AILA's occasionally published collection of papers and articles under the title The Landscape Architect. This is to be published both online and/or in hard copy.

The other new AILA initiative is the publishing of refereed papers under the title The Landscape Architecture Journal; also online and/or in hard copy



Mark Fuller, National President AILA presenting AILA certificate to IFLA President Martha Fajardo

Media Release

August 26, 2006

New Zealander elected as world landscape architectural leader

New Zealander Diane Menzies has been elected as the world landscape architectural leader, it was announced today.

Dr Menzies takes up her two year posting as president after the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) conference in Minneapolis in October. Over 5000 American Society of Landscape Architects are expected to attend the conference.

Dr Menzies was selected by delegates representing 60 countries belonging to the federation.

She paid special tribute to the outgoing president of the last four years, Martha Fajardo of Colombia.

“Martha has been outstanding in her highly valued contribution to global landscape architectural issues and she leaves behind a remarkable legacy.”

Dr Menzies said from October, she aimed to make landscape architects more effective at a global level. She said she was intent on opening doors of international decision makers.

“I want to see landscape as an important agenda item for the World Bank, UNESCO and governments around the world,” Dr Menzies said.

“Sustainability, integrated water planning and community values are issues that have increasing importance at a global level.

“We want to pursue a global landscape charter to protect landscape values, nature and culture to meet the diversity of landscapes throughout the world.”

“If people understand how our landscapes function, and how our communities value the places they live in we will have a better chance of healthier environmental policies.

Dr Menzies will be discussing the charter concept with landscape planners in Siberia and China in the next two weeks.

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September 1, 2006

Landscape architects playing vital role as the world becomes increasingly urbanized: outgoing IFLA leader

Landscape architects are playing vital roles as the world is becoming increasingly urbanized, the outgoing head of the world landscape architectural body Martha Fajardo said today.

To meet the mission of the 21st century, landscape architects will need to discover strategies for managing change and methods for designing city space that are safe and sustainable, she said

Ms Fajardo has been president of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) for four years. She stands down at the world congress in Minneapolis next month.

Diane Menzies of New Zealand will become the new president. Tong Mahn Ahn of Korea will be vice-president for the eastern region, Thanos Sklaventis of Greece vice-president for the central region, Darwina Neal of the US vice-president of the western region, Radmila Figurova of the Czech Republic secretary-general and James Hayter of Australia treasurer.

To better their lives, people were congregating more than ever before in cities. This has become the true urban era as for the first time in history urban dwellers would outnumber those who live in traditional rural ways, Ms Fajardo said.

“Landscape architects have a major role to play in the future of human civilization through planning and design.

“From health, to human rights, to climate change, to capital flows – our globalizing world demands global solutions. And these solutions must increasingly be based on shared agreements and results.

“Building and reshaping cities is a vital part of landscape architecture in some countries and urban designers and landscape architects have equal status in many urban development and renewal projects.”

She said in landscape-based solutions shade and shelter, mass transit, waste, clean water management, devastated cities and disaster relief all offered promise for a sustainable urban environment.

Landscape architects in USA, Europe, Japan, Australia etc had shown innovative ways to respond to the pressures of urban sprawl, to provide for and manage transportation.

“Today we need to respond to the challenges before us with the same vision and imagination that inspired the post-war landscape architects 58 years ago when IFLA was formed.

“The IFLA family is today increasingly collaborating and helping other member countries such as the heart wrenching plea from our member country Sri Lanka after the December 2004 tsunami disaster.

“Landscape architects played a key role in reconstructing the battered coastal regions of southeast Asia following the devastating Indian Ocean tsunami.

“I am certain that IFLA shall pass on to future generations an organisation that is not only larger and more influential but also better organised, more democratic and closer to all landscape architects world-wide. The richest era of global exchange lies further on,” Ms Fajardo said.

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Activities & Events

Fifth Meeting of the Workshops for the Implementation of the European Landscape Convention



Girona, Spain 28-29 September 2006

Landscape Quality Objectives: from Theory to Practice

Organising, in conjunction with the Council of Europe, the 5th Meeting of the Workshops for the Implementation of the European Landscape Convention in conjunction with the Ministry of the Environment and the Ministry of Town & Country Planning and Public Works of the Government of Catalonia, together with the City Council of Girona.

Maguelonne DÉJEANT-PONS

Head of the Spatial Planning and Landscape Division

<http://www.coe.int/EuropeanLandscapeConvention>

Digital Earth Summit On Sustainability 06 AUCKLAND NEW ZEALAND 27-30 AUGUST 2006

A new wave of technological innovation will allow us to better understand the complexity of our planet as we confront increasing pressures from natural and man-made disasters.

Launched by former United States Vice President Al Gore, "Digital Earth" is a global initiative aimed at harnessing the world's data and information resources to develop a virtual 3-D model of the Earth to monitor measure and forecast natural and human activity.

- Join some of the world's leading scientists and thinkers in a focused Summit about our future.
- Hear from world experts in "Digital Earth" how we can unlock the information to understand the problems we face and work toward resolving them.
- Take an active role in a major initiative to make a real difference for future generations.

New Zealand has a unique opportunity to take a leadership role in this initiative and, by so doing, create new opportunities for businesses, research institutes, government, councils and communities to lead the world toward a sustainable future.

THE AMERICAN ACADEMY IN ROME The Rome Prize <http://www.aarome.org/prize.htm>

Established in 1894 and chartered by an Act of Congress in 1905, the American Academy in Rome is a center that sustains independent artistic pursuits and humanistic studies. It is situated on the Janiculum, Rome's highest hill. Each year, through a national competition, the Rome Prize is awarded to 15 emerging artists (working in Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Design, Historic Preservation and Conservation, Literature, Musical Composition, or Visual Arts) and 15 scholars (working in Ancient, Medieval, Renaissance and early Modern, or Modern Italian Studies).

The application deadline is November 1st.

Rome Prize Disciplines: Rome Prize Applications are accepted in the following fields: [Architecture](#) , [Design](#) , , [Historic Preservation and Conservation](#) , [Musical Composition](#) , [Visual Arts](#)

Eleven-month Rome Prize fellowships are available in architecture and landscape architecture. Six-month fellowships, which are intended for mid-career professionals, are available in architecture, landscape architecture and other design fields. Applicants for 11-month fellowships must hold an accredited degree in the field of application. Applicants for six-month fellowships must hold a bachelor's degree or its equivalent in the field of application, and must also have at least seven years of professional experience and currently be practicing in the field. Applicants should submit materials that best display their qualifications

For further information on the Rome Prize competition, contact info@aarome.org.

NILS ERIK WICKBERG LECTURES 28.-29.9.2006

Invited lecturer: Professor, landscape architect
LAR/MSA **Thorbjörn Andersson**

Helsinki University of Technology Department of
Architecture, Otakaari 1 X, Otaniemi, Espoo.

Additional information:

<http://www.tkk.fi/Yksikot/Osastot/A/ajankohtaisista.htm>

"UNELMA PAREMMASTA MAAILMASTA" Themes of Modernity in Finnish Landscape Architecture

Exhibit 20.9.-1.10.2006

Sanoma House Media Piazza, Töölönlahdenkatu 2, Helsinki.

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What is IFLA

The International Federation of Landscape Architects is the body representing Landscape Architects worldwide. Its purpose is to coordinate the activities of member associations when dealing with global issues, and to ensure that the profession of landscape architecture continues to prosper as it continues to effect the design and management of our environment. The main objectives of the Federation are:

- The development and promotion of the profession of landscape architecture, together with its related arts and sciences, throughout the world.
- The understanding of landscape architecture as physical and cultural phenomena concerned with environmental heritage and ecological and social sustainability.
- The establishment of high standards of professional practice in the design of the landscape, its management, conservation and development.

To achieve these objectives, IFLA is concerned with:

- The advancement of professional education and continuing professional development of practitioners.
- The improvement of the image of the profession, and communications between members.
- Increased membership to achieve greater global representation of our profession.
- Effective management that makes best use of limited resources and encourages greater participation by members.

IFLA Vision

The organization represents the landscape architectural profession globally, providing leadership and networks supporting the development of the profession and its effective participation in the realization of attractive, equitable and sustainable environments.

IFLA Mission

The International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) is a democratic non-profit and non-political, non-governmental organization representing national landscape associations and individual landscape architects globally. It aims to advance the practice of landscape architecture by:

- encouraging excellence in the design and management of the environment;
- promoting the skills and achievements of landscape architects to the community, allied professionals and decision makers;
- advocating professional standards and ethical practice; and
- providing a forum for the exchange of ideas and information with its annual Congress as a means of continuing education and social interaction.

The values IFLA promotes include professionalism, integrity and accountability. As an organization, we celebrate the contribution landscape architects make to our quality of life and the importance our profession has in the sustainability of our planet.

Articles and material for IFLA News

The editors of IFLA News welcome the submission of articles or information from members and others. IFLA News is produced approximately 2 monthly and aspires to be topical.

Our aim with IFLA News is to ensure that material is focused and brief so that readers give it their attention and so that translation does not become a large burden for those who are helping to make it accessible to our profession and others. Articles submitted are edited: some parts may be shortened or deleted for space reasons.

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