

UMAC News April/May

Dear UMAC member (or potential member)

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The 2002 Conference

The UMAC 2002 Conference will be held in Sydney and Canberra in Australia from Sunday 29 September - Friday 4 October 2002. The title and theme of the conference is:

Exposing and Exploiting the Distinct Character of University Museums and Collections.

Please see the UMAC web site next week for the updated details – www.icom.org/umac
There you will find a condensed version of the program, helpful travel notes, a live-link registration form and a form for proposals for papers, posters and other presentations.

Papers from UMAC Conferences

As well as selected papers from the Barcelona 2001 conference being available on our web site, a more comprehensive range of papers is available in hard copy in the journal *Museologia*, an international journal of museology published by the University of Lisbon. To obtain a copy of this special edition of *Museologia*, or to subscribe, please see the UMAC website (alternatively email Marta martal@fc.ul.pt).

Selected papers from this year's Sydney conference will also be published in *Museologia*. I urge you to support this journal in return for their generosity for us!

Application for Study Series

UMAC has been funded by ICOM to publish a Study Series monograph in 2003. It will contain about 18 illustrated articles about university museums. Peter Tirrell, Steven de Clercq, and Peny Theologi-Gouti are the members of the Editorial Committee. The articles will be in English, French and Spanish (with a summary in the other languages).

Joining ICOM and UMAC

If you need to join ICOM please apply to your National Committee. The addresses of the National Committees are now available at www.icom.org/nationals.html. At the same address you will find a link to download memberships forms in various formats.

To become a voting or a non-voting member of UMAC please contact the ICOM secretariat or ask your national committee to do this for you.

My travels

I am taking holidays to attend a family reunion in England. This event is held every three years – a little like the major ICOM conferences! After that I shall attend the ICOM Advisory Meeting in Paris in early June. During my travels I will not have access to a computer every day, so please forgive me if I am slower than usual in replying. If you have an urgent request about the conference please email the Treasurer (Sue-Anne Wallace sa.wallace@qut.edu.au). For other enquiries about UMAC please email the Vice-Chair (Steven de Clercq steven@pop.uu.nl) or the Secretary (Peny Theology - Gouti stmuseum@upatras.gr)

Best wishes

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