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EASTERN REGION CONFERENCE 2006

25-27 MAY 2006, DARLING HARBOUR, SYDNEY AUSTRALIA

TIME IS THE
ESSENCE OF
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BOTH MATERIAL
AND PROCESS.
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FROM THE HOST PRESIDENTS

It's about Time: we are very excited to be able to introduce the 2006 IFLA Eastern Region Conference, an event we have been eagerly awaiting.

The landscape profession is increasingly working with a greater diversity of cultures and environments than ever before. The bringing together of our international colleagues and those closer to home is an opportunity to discuss some of the real challenges being addressed by landscape architects in the region.



The challenge of our conference title - "Time" - lies in how we embed lasting value in our work for the future, based on a sincere understanding of how the past creates the social and cultural framework within which we work. And of course it's also about managing and enjoying the present, about connecting with your fellows, and perhaps about taking some time off from the emails!

I look forward to seeing you in Sydney in May 2006.

Mark Fuller
President, Australian Institute of Landscape Architects



As landscape architects, we are in the unique position of being able to shape the very landscapes that we inhabit. In doing so, we require an understanding of the past, present and future - this inherently roots our profession in the notions of change and time.

The last few years have highlighted more than ever that change is a constant and inevitable component of life on earth, and our challenge as professionals is to embrace and manage that change to achieve the best possible outcomes. This conference will offer an opportunity for landscape architects and allied professionals to come together to discuss these core issues.

The New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects is very pleased to co-host the conference and we sincerely hope that you will join us for what will be a challenging and inspiring conference at Darling Harbour in May.



Renee Lambert
President, New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects

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TIME AND PLACE

The International Federation of Landscape Architects Eastern Region Conference will be held in Sydney, Australia on 25-27 May 2006. This three-day event is organised by the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects and the New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects, in partnership with the University of New South Wales Faculty of the Built Environment.

Delegates will be welcomed from IFLA member countries around the world, including those of the Eastern Region: Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Malaysia, the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore, Taiwan and Thailand.

The conference will open with a public lecture and end with a gala dinner and incorporate addresses by leading international practitioners and academics. In addition to a conference rich in ideas, the event offers a special student package and a program for delegate partners that has been designed to ensure an exciting and memorable Sydney experience.

SYDNEY: THE HARBOUR CITY

Australia's biggest and most dynamic city is blessed with a spectacular harbour setting, magnificent ocean beaches, a vibrant outdoor lifestyle and an open and energetic culture. As a modern and sophisticated city, its beauty and charm go well beyond the famous icons of the Sydney Opera House and Harbour Bridge; the city is a cosmopolitan hub offering conference delegates superb cuisine, fabulous shopping and a free-spirited outdoor lifestyle.

Sydney is also the capital of a prosperous and naturally endowed state, New South Wales. Its 16 regions boast landscapes and experiences as varied as Australia itself, including world-heritage national parks and rainforests, acclaimed wineries, historic towns, beautiful waterways, pristine beaches and the untamed outback.

DARLING HARBOUR

Darling Harbour is an inlet of Sydney Harbour and is ideally suited to city visitors. The precinct is adjacent to central Sydney – within walking distance of the heart of the city and only a twenty minute drive from the airport. It offers entertainment, fine restaurants, tourist/leisure attractions and a retail marketplace, making the area a drawcard for Sydneysiders and visitors alike.

SPEAKING OF TIME

Leading local and international speakers will address the issues of time and change in the practice of the built environment and explore their effects on contemporary society and the landscape.

KATHRYN GUSTAFSON (USA/EUROPE)

Partner, Gustafson Guthrie Nichol
Ltd, Seattle

Partner, Gustafson Porter,
London



Kathryn Gustafson has more than 25 years of distinguished, international practice to her credit. Kathryn's award-winning landscapes and structures can be found throughout Europe, North America, and the Middle East. Her diverse span of prominent works, ranging from one to 500 acres in size, are known as ground-breaking, contemporary designs that intuitively incorporate the sculptural, sensual qualities that are fundamental to the human experience of landscape. Two partner offices, Gustafson Guthrie Nichol Ltd in Seattle and Gustafson Porter in London, continue to evolve the design approach of Gustafson's work into new contexts of time, culture, and nature. Kathryn Gustafson is an honorary fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architecture and a medalist of the French Academy of Architecture. She is the recipient of The Chrysler Design Award and of London's Jane Drew Prize.

She is active in lecturing, and her work is widely published. Kathryn's recent work in both offices may be found in such projects as the Westergasfabriek Culture Park in Amsterdam, the National Botanic Garden of Wales, the Seattle Civic Center and City Hall Plaza, the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fountain in London, Seattle's McCaw Hall Opera House, the Lurie Garden in Chicago's Millennium Park and The Garden of Forgiveness in Beirut, Lebanon.



Kreielsheimer Promenade at Marion Oliver McCaw Hall, Seattle WA

Top: A view through the Kreielsheimer Promenade looking south as the Japanese maples and Katsura trees change to their autumn color and provide a dramatic background to the perspective of the corridor (photo: Gareth Loveridge, Gustafson Guthrie Nichol Ltd).

Bottom: A view looking south through the Kreielsheimer Promenade during an event intermission where the night environment is celebrated with a choreographed light performance (photo: Gareth Loveridge, Gustafson Guthrie Nichol Ltd).

ASTRID HARYATI ASLA, CLARB (USA)

Assistant to the Mayor
for Landscaping Initiatives,
City of Chicago



In early 2005 Astrid Haryati was appointed by Mayor Richard M. Daley of Chicago as the Assistant to the Mayor for Landscaping Initiatives. Astrid's role is to promote Chicago to be the healthiest, smartest and greenest city by initiating and implementing comprehensive, yet practical, environmental policies. This role demands a new level of collaborative public and private partnership and an advanced stakeholders' advocacy to comprehensively embrace integrated urban environment to include infrastructures, air quality and stormwater.

Prior to joining the Mayor's Office, Astrid was a Principal Landscape Architect at Teng & Associates, Inc., leading an award-winning planning and landscape architecture team. Astrid's professional works range from small to large planning and design in the field of architecture, urban design and landscape architecture, with projects in Indonesia, Singapore, Australia, Canada and the United States. She has received awards and has won design competitions in the above categories, and has participated in several exhibitions. Astrid

holds Landscape Architecture registrations for the State of Illinois and Commonwealth of Virginia, and is CLARB certified.

Astrid received her Bachelor of Architecture from the Institute of Technology at Bandung (ITB) in Indonesia and received a Master of Landscape Architecture from the University of Colorado at Denver. She was a Faculty Member at the ITB Architecture Department and at the ITB Urban Design Center producing comprehensive studies of Indonesia's urban developments. She also serves as a Guests Critic at the University of Illinois at Chicago

(UIC) Landscape Urbanism Program and an Adjunct Associate Professor at Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) Department of Architecture, assisting the development of what will be the only Graduate Program in Landscape Architecture in the City of Chicago.

Astrid continues to serve as the Illinois Chapter American Society of Landscape Architects' Education Committee Chair, administering statewide education in landscape architecture for members, the public at large, as well as allied professional organisations.

Her advocacy extends beyond traditional landscapes to include transportation corridor planning and design through leadership in statewide support for Context Sensitive Solutions. Astrid spoke at the first Security Design Coalition Conference in 2003 for "Safe Spaces: Designing for Security and Civic Values", advocating a sensible balance between security measures and preservation of public access to public places, and on a similar subject recently at the 2005 Canadian Society of Landscape Architects' Annual Congress.



The Lurie Garden, Millennium Park. (photo: Chris McGuire, Courtesy City of Chicago)

Millennium Park is an award-winning center for art, music, architecture and landscape design. The result of a unique partnership between the City of Chicago and the philanthropic community, the 24.5-acre park features the work of world-renowned architects, planners, artists and designers.

ELIZABETH K. MEYER ASLA (USA)

Landscape Architecture Faculty,
University of Virginia School
of Architecture



Elizabeth Meyer joined the Landscape Architecture Faculty of the University of Virginia School of Architecture in 1993 as Landscape Architecture Department Chair, a position she held twice, for a total of seven years. Previously, Elizabeth taught at Harvard and Cornell. She has been nationally recognised as an outstanding scholar and teacher by groups such as the Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA 1992), the American Society of Landscape Architects (as a Fellow, 2003), and the University of Virginia (2004).

Elizabeth's teaching and scholarly interests focus on three areas: the recovery and examination of modern landscape theory, the establishment of a contemporary practice of landscape criticism, and the idea of design as site interpretation (sites replete with cultural layers as well as natural processes). She is completing a book focused on these concerns,

The Margins of Modernity: Theories and Practices of Modern Landscape Architecture, with support from the UVA School of Architecture Dean's Office, the Graham Foundation and a Dumbarton Oaks Fellowship.

This research informs Elizabeth's teaching in design studios and lecture courses. Long involved in cross-disciplinary teaching with colleagues in Architecture, in 2000 Meyer conceived of a first-year Barcelona travel studio with her colleague Judith Kinnard. Now a key component of the graduate curriculum in both Architecture and Landscape Architecture, this partially-endowed studio travels abroad for two weeks each Spring to study contemporary design in-situ.

Elizabeth is a registered landscape architect who worked for EDAW and Hanna/Olin, and has consulted with Michael Vergason, Alexandria,

and Van Valkenburgh Associates, Cambridge. Several of the projects she worked on with these firms, including projects at Bryant Park (NYC), Carnegie-Mellon University, Wellesley College and UVA, received national design and planning awards.

Elizabeth has lectured internationally and published widely on topics concerning landscape design theory, such as "Site Citations: Grounding the Modern Landscape" in Carol Burns and Andrea Kahn's *Site Matters* (2005), and "The Post-Earth Day Conundrum: Translating Environmental Values into Landscape Design" in Michel Conan's *Environmentalism in Landscape Architecture*.

MARTHA FAJARDO (COLUMBIA)

President of the International
Federation of Landscape
Architects

Landscape Architect, Grupo
Verde Ltda



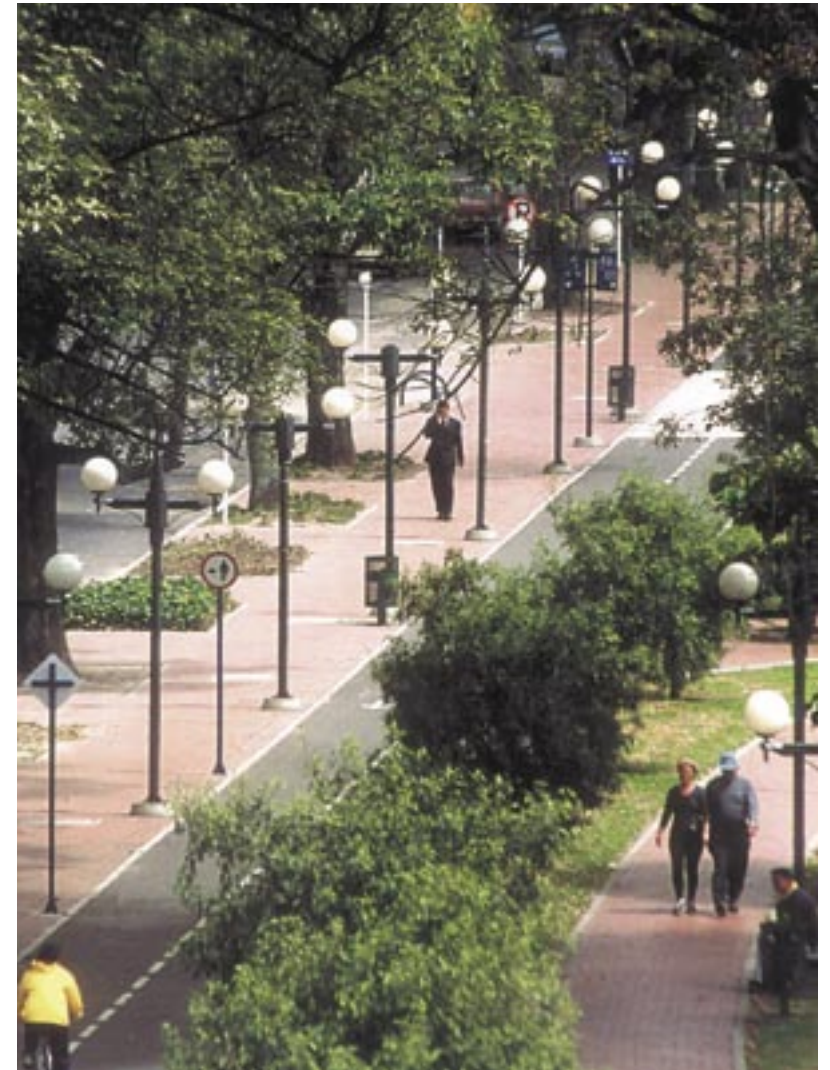
Born in Columbia, Martha studied Architecture at the University Piloto of Bogotá, after which she moved to England and obtained her Landscape Design Diploma in the Master degree course at Sheffield University, 1981. Her nexus with landscape architecture began in 1982 when she returned to Colombia and founded the multi-disciplinary firm, Grupo Verde Ltda, dedicated to the professional practice of Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning with an emphasis on Urban Design and Planning. The same year she helped to found the Colombian Society of Landscape Architects, and was appointed its first President, a position she retained for a period of 6 years.

Martha has been a strong defender of the profession's role and has been active in the field with her husband, the Japanese urbanist and landscape architect, Noboru Kawashima. Grupo Verde is a pioneering firm in Columbia, producing designs and directing projects from concept to construction. The company was fully involved in the Open Spaces projects of Bogota Transformation.

Martha maintains an active involvement with the International Federation of Landscape Architects. From 1988 to 1991, she served as the IFLA Vice-president of Western Region, completing her term at the IFLA World Congress in Cartagena, Colombia. Martha continued her involvement with the organisation as IFLA Western Region Newsletter Editor from 1997 to 2000.

On 6 October 2002, in Riga, Latvia, Martha was elected IFLA President, thereby becoming the first woman president and the first from the emerging world. In 2004 in Taiwan, she was re-elected for a further two years and will complete her term at the 43rd IFLA World Congress 2006, which will be hosted by the American Society of Landscape Architects in Minneapolis, USA.

Martha has served on many juries for student and professional competitions in landscape architecture internationally, as well as having lectured in places such as Tokyo, Cape Town, Quebec, Boston, Curitiba, Sao Paulo, Belem, Mar del Plata, Buenos Aires, Montevideo, Caracas, La Havana, México, Puerto Rico, Paris, Prague.



CicloRuta, Bogotá: The Bogota Transformation included the development of a large network of cycleways; CicloRuta was planned as a means of countering the city's massive reliance on cars in favour of a more sustainable system of urban mobility and has resulted in a significant shift by citizens towards bicycle use.

KONGJIAN YU (CHINA)

**Doctor of Design, Harvard
Graduate School of Design**

**Dean and Professor, the
Graduate School of Landscape
Architecture, Peking University**

President, Turenscape



Having graduated with a Doctorate in Design from the Harvard Graduate School of Design in 1995, Dr. Yu subsequently worked as a landscape architect and urban designer with the SWA Group in the USA.

Dr. Yu is the founder and Dean of the Graduate School of Landscape Architecture at Peking University. He is also the founder and President of Turenscape, an internationally-awarded firm of more than 200 professionals, and one of the largest private firms in China to focus on landscape architecture, urban design and architecture.

Dr. Yu is published widely, including more than 150 papers and 11 books. His major research fields include Landscape Security Patterns and Ecological Infrastructure, The Theory and Method of Landscape and Urban Planning, and The Cultural Aspect of Landscape. He has been awarded three ASLA Honor Awards, in 2002 and 2005 respectively, for The Zhongshan Shipyard Park (pictured), The Shenyang Architectural School Campus, and the Urban Development Pattern of Taizhou).

He was the winner of the National Gold Medal of Fine Arts (2004, the Cultural Ministry of Chinese Government), Winner of the Human Habitat Model Award for his designed project (2002, the Construction Ministry of the Chinese government). In 2004, he was awarded an Overseas Chinese Pioneer Achievement Medal by the Chinese central government for his overall contribution to the nation.

Dr. Yu is a senior consulting expert and planning committee member in more than ten cities and provinces including the Capital Planning Expert Committee of Beijing and Hangzhou Municipal Planning Expert committee, among others. He has also served as a member of the Education Guiding Committee at the Chinese Ministry of Construction in both Urban Planning and Landscape Architecture.

Zhongshan Shipyard Park, Zhongshan City, Guangdong Province, China

Built on the site of the deserted shipyard, the Zhongshan Shipyard Park reflects the remarkable 50-year history of socialist China, including the Cultural Revolution. The challenging setting included fluctuating water levels, remnant rust docks and machinery, tree preservation, and concerns of flood control versus old tree protection.



A TIME FOR STUDENTS

STUDENT CONFERENCE PACKAGE

IFLA encourages all students to participate in its 2006 Eastern Region Conference and has organised a special Student Package to enable a cost-effective and edifying conference experience for international and interstate students.

Interstate and International Student Conference Package includes:

- Student Conference Registration for three days attendance
- 4 nights accommodation in shared room in city hostel
- Entry to Student Forum
- Ticket to Site Tour
- Ticket to IFLA Eastern Region Gala Dinner
- Airport transfer to Darling Harbour on Wednesday 24 May 2006

Cost: A\$715 including GST

THE UNSW STUDENT FORUM

Venue:
University of New South Wales

When:
10am Thursday 25 May, 2006

Ticket price:
Free for students

Participants:
Elizabeth Meyer (USA),
Prof. (Dr) Kongjian Yu (China),
Di Menzies (NZ)
and James Hayter (Aust)

The IFLA/UNSW Student Forum will be held for local and international students to have the opportunity of engaging in critical discussion with pre-eminent practitioners from Australia and abroad. Student attendance is free.

STUDENT COMPETITION

The IFLA Eastern Region Conference is proud to announce a special Student Competition around the theme of "Time". Landscape architecture is an ideal medium to express Time visually. This competition challenges students of landscape architecture to explore the conference theme of Time through the process of site selection and design execution.

Participants are invited to select a site with conditions that evoke the concept of Time and to develop designs which investigate, interrogate, challenge and transform these conditions. The design proposals should also reveal something about the social, cultural, economic or political conditions that the form the site's context.

Entrants should explore the theme of Time through at least one of the three sub-themes:

- Time as Catalyst
- Designing with Time
- Time and Technology

For information on entry criteria and submission requirements visit www.aila.org.au/time



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

THURSDAY 25 MAY 2006

9.00am

Australasian Educators of Landscape Architecture Meeting.
Student Competition Judging.

10.00am

Student Forum: UNSW

Speakers: Elizabeth Meyer, Dr Kongjian Yu, Di Menzies & James Hayter

11.00am

Registration opens

(Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre – South). Closes 6pm

11.30am

Student Forum ends.
Coach pick up for Darling Harbour

12.00pm

Depart for Site Tours – lunch included

Tour A: Sydney Olympic Park
Sponsored by GMW Urban

Tour B: Victoria Park, Zetland
Sponsored by



Tour C: Pyrmont
Sponsored by



Tour D: Western Parklands

Sponsored by  Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources

4.30pm

All site tours return to Darling Harbour

5.30pm

Registration closes for the day

6.30pm

AILA NSW Public Lecture

“Time: The Catalyst In Greening Cities”

Speakers: Martha Fajardo and Astrid Haryati

Venue: Parkside Auditorium, SCEC

Sponsored by



7.00pm

AILA NSW Official Welcome Cocktails

Venue: Skyline Terrace, SCEC

Conference delegates and invited guests.

FRIDAY 26 MAY 2006

7.45am

Registration Opens

9.00am

Opening Addresses & Session 1

Venue: Parkside Auditorium

Chair: Linda Corkery (UNSW)

Keynote: Kathryn Gustafson

Followed by discussion

10.15am

Morning Tea

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11.00am

Session 2:

Venue: Parkside Auditorium

Chair: James Hayter (IFLA Vice Pres, Eastern Region)

Speaker: Elizabeth Meyer

Followed by discussion

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12.30pm

Lunch

Sponsored by



2.00pm

Session 3:

Breakout: Three themed discussion forums
Venues: Parkside Auditorium & Parkside 110A and Parkside 110B

3.30pm

Afternoon Tea

Sponsored by



4.00pm

Session 4:

Breakout: Three parallel paper presentations followed by discussions

Venues: Parkside Auditorium & Parkside 110A and Parkside 110B

5.30pm

Student Competition

Venue: Parkside Auditorium

Chair: Catherine Evans (UNSW)

Discussion and announcement of winners

6.30pm

Architecture Media Cocktail Launch



Celebrate the launch of AILA's new national publication

Venue: South Steyne, Darling Harbour

SATURDAY 27 MAY 2006

7.00am

Breakfast Talk

Venue: James Craig Historic Tall Ship,
Wharf 7, Pirramar Rd, Pyrmont

Speaker: Sean Chiao,
(Asian Regional Director, EDAW, China)

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9.00am

Opening & Session 5

Venue: Parkside Auditorium
Chair: James Weirick (UNSW)

Speaker: Dr Kongjian Yu

Followed by discussion.

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10.45am

Morning Tea

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11.30am

Session 6:

Venue: Parkside Auditorium
Chair: Suellen Fitzgerald (NSW AILA
President and NSW Dept. Infrastructure,
Planning and Natural Resources)

Speaker: Astrid Haryati (City of Chicago)

**Respondents: Neil Savery, (ACT CEO
Planning Land Authority), Renee Lambert
(NZILA President and Waitakere
City Council).**

Followed by discussion

12.30pm

Lunch

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2.00pm

Session 7:

Breakout: Three themed discussion forums
Venues: Parkside Auditorium & Parkside
110A and Parkside 110B

3.30pm

Afternoon Tea

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4.00pm

Session 8 – Final Reflections:

Venue: Parkside Auditorium
Chair: Linda Corkery (UNSW)
**Summary and final debate with
James Weirick and Elizabeth Meyer;
final comments from Kathryn Gustafson,
Astrid Haryati, Martha Fajardo and
Kongjian Yu.**

Open discussion.

5.30

Session Close

7.00pm

IFLA Eastern Region Gala Dinner

Venue: The Ballroom, Star City Casino
**Hosts: Martha Fajardo (IFLA Pres.)
and Mark Fuller (AILA Pres.)**

SUNDAY 28 MAY 2006

FREE DAY FOR SHOPPING, SIGHTSEEING AND TOURING

9.00am – 4.00pm

James Craig Historic Tall Ship

Departs strictly at 9.30am for sailing out of
the Heads.

Bookings to be made at time of registration
with special rates for conference delegates.

7.45am – 6.00pm

Hunter Valley Tour and Blue Mountains Tour

Please find information on these tours on
pages 17-18.

Bookings to be made at time of registration
with special rates for conference delegates.

SPECIAL EVENTS

AILA NSW/LANDCOM PUBLIC LECTURES

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TIME: THE CATALYST IN GREENING CITIES

Building on the theme of the
successful 2003 AILA NSW
Greening Cities Conference

Venue: Parkside Auditorium, Sydney
Convention and Exhibition Centre

When: 6pm Thursday 25 May, 2006

Register for free tickets

The Transformation of Public Space in Bogota

Martha Fajardo, IFLA President

Bogotá is the capital city of Colombia. The city lies at the centre of the country at 2,600 meters above sea level. Since 1999, the capital has embarked upon a significant transformation using public space planning and sustainable urban mobility as a key tool in delivering a more people-friendly environment. Changes in the city administration and successful urban development projects have become an interest and topic of debate for academics, the media, and politicians in and outside the country. Between 1999-2004 the city was characterized by a high rate of investment and the rapid completion of an important number of infrastructure projects. Although the changes in Bogota are most evident in spatial terms, the transformation has affected every dimension of life in the city.

Martha is presenting an overview of the key events, projects, practices and people who have helped shape the City of Bogotá, with special emphasis on the Public Space Transformation process and the leading role of Landscape Architects.

Re-greening Chicago

**Astrid Haryati, Assistant to the
Mayor for Landscaping Initiatives,
City of Chicago**

Upon entering office earlier this year, Mayor Richard M. Daley initiated a bold and committed city greening program. To assist him in its implementation, Daley appointed Astrid Haryati, formerly of Teng & Associates, Inc., to the unique position of Assistant to the Mayor for Landscaping Initiatives. In her talk, Astrid will share the challenges of transforming Daley's vision of the greenest city into reality through the creation of comprehensive and practical environmental initiatives.

**The lectures are followed by
The AILA NSW Official Welcome
Cocktails for conference
delegates and invited guests**

Venue: Skyline Terrace, Sydney
Convention and Exhibition Centre,
Darling Harbour

When: 7pm,
Thursday 25th May 2006



BUSINESS BREAKFAST

Venue: James Craig Historic Tall Ship, Wharf 7, Pirramar Rd, Pyrmont

When: 7am Saturday 27 May, 2006

Sponsored by

EDAW gillespies

Absorb the wonderful feeling of supping breakfast onboard the only 19th Century barque that regularly carries members of the public to sea, whilst enjoying a breakfast presentation by Sean Chiao, an urban designer and architect with extensive experience in the United States, Asia and Southeast Asia, Regional Director of EDAW's Asia practice and a board member of EDAW Inc.

Sean is the pioneer of EDAW's unique collaborative approach and ethos in Asia, and directs multidisciplinary teams on projects ranging in scale and scope from master planning new town communities to the visioning of new urban developments and major urban/ revitalization projects, as well as the design of major public open space design.

He has received many awards for his works in different countries

and regions. Most recently, his waterfront master planning and landscape design work for Jinji Lake in Suzhou, China was honored with prestigious awards by three international organisations including the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA). He earned his Master of Architecture in Urban Design (MAUD) degree from Harvard University and Master of Architecture degree (M Arch) from U.C. Berkeley.

Whilst the James Craig will remain docked for breakfast, conference delegates and sponsors wishing to sail out of the Harbour on the James Craig on Sunday 28 May, may take advantage of a specially negotiated rate for delegates. Place your booking at the time of registration.



Sean Chiao

IFLA EASTERN REGION GALA DINNER

Venue: The Ballroom, Level 3, Star City Casino, Pyrmont

When: 7pm Saturday 27 May, 2006

Hosts: Martha Fajardo and Mark Fuller

Entertainment: James O'Loughlin and Rocksteddi

Located on the shores of Sydney Harbour at Pyrmont, Star City offers the perfect location for the IFLA Eastern Region Gala Dinner. Delegates will dine in the lovely Star City Ballroom, with breathtaking views of Sydney Harbour and the cityscape, and an expansive terrace providing a breath of fresh air and the beauty of city lights at night.

After a sumptuous three course dinner and fine Australian wine, delegates will be treated to the incomparable wit and intellect of media personality James O'Loughlin who will provide some light after-dinner entertainment. Then, to help celebrate 40 years of AILA and to cap the night off, 6-piece band Rocksteddi will get the dancefloor shaking.

Star City's proximity to Darling Harbour ensures guests may completely relax and enjoy the evening, with only a short walk to hotels at the end of the night.

 **AILA40** Celebrating forty years of Australian Landscape Architecture



The James Craig Historic Tall Ship



SITE TOURS

Recreational, residential, coastal and parklands: four professional site tours offering insights into different Sydney landscapes. Select one of these tours for an afternoon of mixing with other delegates and discovering how an old landscape is given new life.

Where:
Pickup from Darling Harbour

When:
12.30pm Thursday 25 May, 2006

Tour A Sydney Olympic Park

Sponsored by
GMW Urban

This tour will incorporate the following sites:

Northern Water Feature

From wasteland to wetland... Homebush Bay, once an ugly wasteland, has been rejuvenated to become one of the world's premier recreational precincts. The Northern Water Feature sets a precedent in the rehabilitation of a landfill site to a symbolic international landscape. The Northern Water Feature, which terminates the main boulevard at Sydney Olympic Park, incorporates a series of wetland fingers that have been sculpted and shaped to encourage the movement of water through a cleansing wetland system of vegetated marsh zones. Haslam's Pier floats elegantly over the wetland. Pedestrian flow from the boulevard continues horizontally past the water feature out over the treatment ponds. The Northern Water Feature represents the seamless integration between design and ecology.

Brickpit Ring

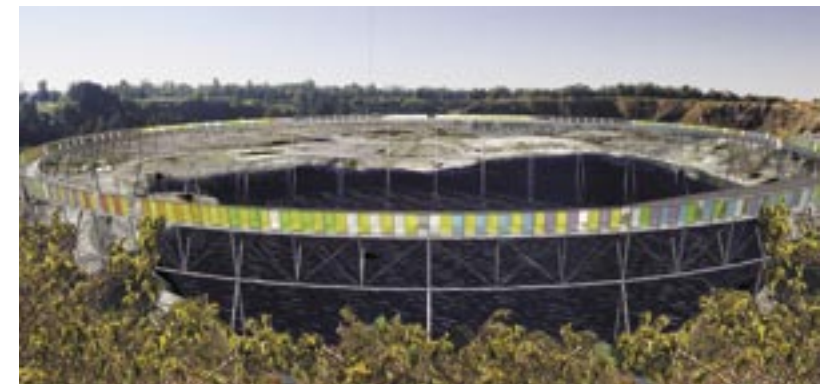
The Brickpit Ring, due for completion in December 2005, is an elevated circular walkway that will allow visitors to access Brickpit from above while preserving the habitat of the endangered Green and Golden Bell frog. The new Ring will provide visitors with interpretive material linking the history of the Brickpit with the evolution of the Green and Golden Bell frog's habitat along with the unique geology and the innovative water recycling initiative at Sydney Olympic Park.

Wentworth Common

Due to the extensive ongoing use of Bicentennial Park for picnicking and casual recreation, an additional destination was required so that the parklands at Sydney Olympic Park become Sydney's premier recreational destination. Wentworth Common has been identified for this purpose. An important objective of the new work is to ensure that an effective and robust planting scheme was implemented. The aim is to make the venue distinctive as a physical and visual entity. This implies that the outcome of the planting design will present to the visitor a sense of uniqueness distinguishing this as a special destination.



The Northern Water Feature, Sydney Olympic Park



The Brickpit Ring, Sydney Olympic Park



Tour B Victoria Park, Zetland

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Landcom's multi-award-winning Victoria Park development at Zetland, in Sydney's booming inner south, is a landmark urban renewal project transforming 25 hectares of former industrial lands into a distinctive high quality living and working environment.

Only minutes from the CBD, Victoria Park offers high quality medium to high density accommodation close to the city, but with the values and sense of community usually associated with a leafy suburb.

The project has won 16 awards for its leading urban design features, innovative water management system and for its practical commitment to ecological sustainability.

Development began in 1997 when plans were drawn up to turn a large, under-utilised industrial site into an exciting urban oasis. The vision was to create a green, vibrant mixed-use community with a unique character, integrated into the existing fabric of South Sydney.

Landcom's progressive approach has demonstrated the power of finding synergy among economic, social and environmental objectives. The superlots created by Landcom have been progressively sold to developers who commissioned some of Australia's top architects to design the buildings, in conjunction with Landcom's Design Review Panel. The site's architects follow a detailed code, which ensures a consistently high quality development sympathetic to its environment.

A key attraction of the site is the extent of green, open space featuring four parks covering more than three hectares. These parks have been designed with community in mind, providing a diverse range of facilities including a children's playground, BBQs, a multipurpose court, hit-up wall, large informal grass areas and seating areas.

Approximately 1,300 residents are discovering Victoria Park's benefits first hand, forming a friendly, diverse community with neighbourhood values. On completion in 2010, the residential precinct will be home to over 3,000 people.

SITE TOURS

Tour C The Remaking of Pyrmont – A Walking Tour

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Pyrmont reached its industrial pinnacle during the first part of the 20th century and then slid inexorably into decline over the following 50 years. On the western flanks of the city, it was strategically placed to reap the benefits of an expanding post-colonial urban population. At its peak it was home to 30,000 residents. A maritime connection of ship building, docklands and wool stores ensured Pyrmont stayed relevant to international trade while railways, power stations and incinerators demonstrated the government's belief that delivering infrastructure and industry to Pyrmont was central to the broader goal of national development.

But by the 1980's industry had closed, maritime and transport facilities were redundant and high polluting power generation had moved out of the city. Pyrmont was abandoned and ripe for redevelopment.

The government created the City West Development Corporation with the task of remaking Pyrmont as a desirable residential suburb. Studies were undertaken, master plans prepared and partnerships were formed to deliver the vision of a predominately low to medium rise residential form, respecting its historical legacy and maintaining its identity separate from, but connected to, the central business district.

This walking tour will follow the waterfront from Darling Harbour on the eastern side of Pyrmont to Jacksons Landing on the western side and focus on telling the story of neighbourhood making. The tour will visit new residential precincts at Darling Island, the Pyrmont headland, and Jacksons Landing. We'll pass through new public parks and discuss along the way the evolution of master plans from vision to reality, architectural expression, public domain policies and technical manuals and to what degree the transformation has been a success in delivering a quality urban domain. On the return trip to Darling Harbour, we will take the light rail, which now utilises one of the redundant heavy rail corridors.

Please note that we can modify the route on the day depending on weather, time, fitness and focused interest. It should take in the order of 3 hours with rest stops at local bars and cafes.

Tour D Western Parklands

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In December 2004, former Premier Mr Bob Carr, announced a new vision for urban parkland in western Sydney – a conservation and recreation haven in the form of a vast open space parkland equivalent in size to 25 Centennial Parks - to be managed by a new Trust in partnership with other State and local governments.

The Western Sydney Parklands are an example of how reserved green corridors evolve over time and the important role of long term metropolitan planning. Identified in 1968, the former State Planning Authority started buying up strategic parcels of land in western Sydney with the initial vision of the Parklands in mind. However it has taken some 35 years to develop an overall Parklands vision.

The Parklands are now centrally located to form a conservation and recreation link between the new North West and South West release areas. Dubbed a 'mega-park' by the media, the Parklands will have walking and cycling trails, restored biodiversity links, areas for sustainable agriculture, trail bike and BMX tracks, an outdoor camping site for school groups and adventure programs, sites for cultural heritage interpretation and sustainability research programs, new picnic grounds and playgrounds and regional sporting complexes. The parklands already contain significant recreation venues including four of the 2000 Olympics venues, regional parks and major motor sports venues.

This site visit will concentrate on key sites already developed within the Parklands as well as future sites where long term planning is underway.

PARTNER PROGRAM

The IFLA Eastern Region Conference welcomes the partners of all delegates to register for the conference evening functions. During the day, we have arranged for a program of special tours designed to provide visiting partners with an exciting and entertaining experience that provides a taste of cosmopolitan Sydney and its fabulous surrounds.

All tours are ticketed activities and must be pre-booked.

ROCKS WALKING TOUR AND GEMSTONE EDUCATIONAL

Thursday 25 May 2006
9.30am

Take a ferry ride to Circular Quay for a guided walking tour through the historic Rocks area. Discover the unique beauty of Australian gemstones in the form of South Sea Pearls, Argyle Diamonds and Opals at a local gemstone merchant. A 15 minute gemstone educational will be provided with morning tea. Then take some time out to explore the lovely boutiques and specialist stores in the area; have lunch at the Lowenbrau or other local eatery and walk around the Circular Quay boardwalk to the Opera House. Meet the group back at Circular Quay for the Sydney City to Bondi coach tour.

SYDNEY CITY TO BONDI

Thursday 25th May 2006
2.00pm

Tour Sydney's bustling city precincts including Circular Quay, the Opera House, the historic Conservatorium of Music, Hyde Park and the Notre Dame-inspired St Mary's Cathedral. Enjoy politics and culture as you tour along Macquarie Street, taking in Parliament House, the Mint, Sydney Barracks and then on to the Art Gallery and the parklands of the Domain. See Sydney Town Hall, Sydney Tower and capture the view from Mrs Macquarie's Chair. Experience the colourful Royal Botanic Gardens, the breathtaking views from the Gap and walk along the famous Bondi Beach. See the splendid terrace houses of Paddington and Double Bay and tour through Rushcutters Bay, home of the prominent Royal Cruising Yacht Club. Enjoy the bohemian beat of lively Kings Cross as you tour through to Darling Harbour. Taste the city's historic and contemporary flavour in one afternoon.

HUNTER VALLEY TOUR

Friday 26th May 2006
7.45am

Taste the Australian bush and some of the country's finest food and wines on this off-road adventure to the Hunter Valley in modern 13-seat 4WD coaches with air conditioning and aircraft style seating.

After leaving Sydney via the Harbour Bridge, we'll cross the Hawkesbury River with expansive views up and down the waterway. Our first stop is Broken Bay Harbour where we enjoy morning tea and panoramic water vistas. Next we'll pass through Cooranbong, the first village established outside old Sydney town, now known for horse riding and its tranquil bush trails. Our safari continues onto the Watagan State Forest where we ascend quiet bush logging trails, pass through forests of giant hardwood eucalypts and gullies of lush rainforests. The Hunter Valley Lookout will reveal our destination and be the place to witness a boomerang and didgeridoo demonstration.

Our first stop in the Hunter is Hungerford Hill Winery and the Terrior Restaurant, the superb modern cuisine is a memorable dining experience.

After lunch we travel on to another favourite in the Hunter region, Pepper Tree Estate, featuring the old Convent Guest House, other historic buildings and handsome gardens. This state-of-the art winery enjoys a well deserved reputation, producing wines which regularly win prizes in national and international competitions.

A visit to Audrey Wilkinson Winery, with its great range of cellar-door only wines and spectacular views of the Hunter Valley will complete your experience of the wines and charm of this region.

Departing at approximately 4.00pm we travel back to Sydney via the Expressway, arriving in Sydney between 6 and 6.30pm. Tasting Notes from the wineries visited are available on request and are provided free of charge.



BLUE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS TOUR

Saturday 27th May 2006
7.45am

Experience a gentle off-road adventure, taking the time to relax and experience the true essence of the Blue Mountains in modern 13-seat 4WD coaches with air conditioning and aircraft style seating.

Our tour leaves Sydney via the Sydney Harbour Bridge and onto Featherdale Wildlife Park for a close up view of one of the best collection of Australian animals. After passing through the historic early settlement town of Richmond and crossing the Hawkesbury River, we drive along the Bells Line of Road. This is the land of the Mountain apple and the northwestern passage over the mountains. Breathe in the invigorating scent of the Australian Eucalyptus as we travel into the Buralow Creek National Park, a young river Canyon.

A short walk along this trail will reveal towering Eucalypts, Red Gums, Grass Trees and other varieties of Australian Flora. Access to this area is restricted and is one of the highlights of the tour. Your guide will interpret the Fauna and Flora encountered, Aboriginal history and demonstrate the Didgeridoo.

Lunch and a glass of wine at the Mount Tomah Botanical Gardens restaurant with spectacular views and award winning modern cuisine will reveal Australia's coolest Botanical Gardens with unique Australian a overseas plants and trees.

After lunch, soak up magnificent views of Govetts Leap Lookout, then the Jamieson Valley, and the Three Sisters famous rock formation and Scenic Railway optional (at own cost).

Afternoon Tea will be a close up experience with wild kangaroos and sulphur-crested cockatoos in the Glenbrook National Park.

Delegates wishing to book a tour on the James Craig or to the Blue Mountains or the Hunter Valley for Sunday 28 May, may do so when registering to receive special delegate rates.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the conference is online at:

www.aila.org.au/time/registration

If you do not wish to send your registration and payment details over the net, please download the registration form from the site and post to:

IFLA Eastern Region Conference
PO Box 828, Seven Hills NSW 1730
or fax to 61+2+ 9862 9929

Your conference registration includes student forum, conference sessions and the advertised social program including the IFLA Eastern Region Gala Dinner. If you wish to attend the Business Breakfast or Site Tours please select these ticketed items as additional to your registration.

Students not taking the Student Package and wishing to attend the IFLA Eastern Region Gala Dinner or Site Tours must select these ticketed items as additional to their registration.

Category	Early Bird Rego Before 31 January 2006	Registration Before 25 May 2006	On Site Registration
AILA/IFLA/ NZILA member	\$625	\$715	\$735
AILA/IFLA/ NZILA Graduate Members	\$550	\$605	\$625
Non members	\$660	\$825	\$845

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Student Package 1 x Registration 1 x Student Forum 1 x Gala Dinner 1 x Site Tour 4 x Nights Hostel Accommodation (shared room and facilities) 1 x Airport Transfer	\$715
Student Registration Only 1 x Conference Registration 1 x Student Forum	\$275

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SITE TOURS

Event	Cost Per Ticket
Site Tour A – Sydney Olympic Park Thursday 25 May 2006 12pm	\$55
Site Tour B – Victoria Park, Zetland Thursday 25 May 2006 12pm	\$55
Site Tour C – Pyrmont Thursday 25 May 2006 12pm	\$55
Site Tour D – Western Parklands Thursday 25 May 2006 12pm	\$55

SPECIAL EVENTS

Event	Cost Per Person
Breakfast Talk Saturday 28 May 2006 7am	\$70

PARTNER PROGRAM

Event	Cost Per Person
Thursday 25 May 2006 Sydney Tour	\$160
Friday 26 May 2006 Hunter Valley Tour	\$160
Saturday 27 May 2006 Blue Mountains Wilderness Tour	\$160
IFLA Eastern Region Gala Dinner - Accompanying Person	\$150

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