Your Career in Conservation: The Purpose and Process of Accreditation



26th March, 2020 | Glasgow School of Art, Reid Building

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The full day can count towards the CPD requirements of professional bodies.

9:30-10:00 Registration with Tea/Coffee, networking opportunity

10:00-10:10 | Alistair MacDonald, Chair of Glasgow City Heritage Trust, Former Head of Planning for Glasgow and former Convenor of the Royal Town Planning Institute Scotland

Introduction by Alistair on the need for conservation accreditation when working on grant-aided historic buildings.

10:10-10:40 | Liz Davidson IHBC Hon FRIAS OBE, Senior Project Manager for the Mackintosh Restoration at the Glasgow School of Art

In her **Keynote Talk** Liz will expand on the importance of conservation accreditation within the project team when working with clients, funders, external consultants, planners and contractors on internationally significant historic buildings.

10:40-11:00 | Colin Tennant, Head of Technical Education and Training at Historic Environment Scotland (HES)

Colin will explain the importance of conservation accreditation within the Scottish Historic Environment Skills Investment Plan and the up-skilling of professionals working on our historic built environment. He will also present the new MSc in Technical Building Conservation at the Engine Shed.

11:00-11:20 | Rebecca Cadie, Director of ARPL Architects and RIAS Conservation Accredited Architect

Rebecca, who participates as an assessor on the RIAS accreditation scheme, will show why conservation accreditation is particularly important for young professionals trying to be competitive in the job market as it demonstrates an understanding and experience of working within the constraints of the historic built environment, and establishes the team leading role required for conservation projects.

11:20-11:40 | **Tea/Coffee break**

11:40-12:00 | Dr Sean O'Reilly, Director of the IHBC

Conservation specialists of all professions contributing to the conservation of historic places can gain IHBC accreditation. Sean will explain how this approach is particularly attractive for interdisciplinary professionals and local authority officers.

12:00-12:20 | Rob Adams, Adams Napier Partnership, Chair of the Scotland RICS Building Conservation Forum

Rob will talk about how the knowledge gained through the conservation accreditation process allows practices to specialise in sustainable development and climate change adaptation work.

12:20- 12:40 | Sara Crofts, Chief Executive of Icon

Sara will talk about Icon's continuing programme of reviewing and refining its conservation accreditation framework and the recent changes that are intended to ensure that it remains relevant and accessible to all conservators. Icon's new Pathway Member designation has been introduced to support applicants through the process regardless of employment status.

12:40-13:00 | Steve Wood, Technical Director at David Narro Associates, member of the Conservation Accreditation Register for Engineers

Steve will speak about the engineering sector and conservation, and the importance of getting support from your employer on the way to conservation accreditation.

13:00- 14:00 | Lunch

14:00-14:30 | Q+A session, and chance for delegates to discuss the current process of conservation accreditation

Chaired by Ingval Maxwell OBE, Vice-Chair of the Council on Training in Architectural Conservation, former Director of Technical Conservation, Research and Education at Historic Scotland

- 14:30-16:30 | Parallel workshops on practical steps towards accreditation given by accreditation bodies CARE, Icon, IHBC, RIAS, RICS.
- 16:30- 16:45 | Closing Remarks by Glasgow's Lord Provost Philip Braat
- 17:00-18:00 | Guided walking tour from Garnethill to George Square
 by Conservation Accredited Architect Niall Murphy, award-winning "Inspiring
 City Tour" guide and Deputy Director of Glasgow City Heritage Trust