

Chatham College

Landscape Architecture

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Division of Art and Design

Newsletter Update



January 2006

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Welcome New Adjunct Faculty

A warm welcome goes out to the new members of the landscape adjunct faculty. A.J. Schwartz, AICP, RLA, Managing Principal of Environmental, Planning and Design LLC (EPD), is teaching LAR 660 Theory, Ethics and Professional Practice; John Buck, soil scientist and project manager at Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. (CEC), is teaching LAR 534: Soil Science; and Jason Vrabel, Design Fund Manager for the Community Design Center of Pittsburgh is co-teaching with Lisa Kunst Vavro LAR 644: Community Based Design. Welcome!

In addition, we continue to appreciate those adjuncts who return to teach this term – Michele McCann with LAR 542/LNS 512: Design Studio II; Chris Tracey with LAR 514: Landscape Ecology; Anne Withey with LAR 521/LNS 544 North American Landscape History; and Babette Christman who is teaching an experimental course in advanced AutoCAD, LAR 523E: Computer Design Technology II.

Please note the search effort for another full time landscape faculty will reconvene at the beginning of February. Your opinions are valuable!

Study Abroad Possibilities

Although our Prague Maymester course was not approved for 2006, several opportunities exist to study abroad during Maymester this year.

Kary Arimoto-Mercer and Rick Mercer have found a program offered by the University of Florida to study in Paris:

Two Week Tour of Historic & Contemporary Landscape Architecture in Paris (LAA 4956, UF credits: 3) (May 7-20, 2006)

Program coordinated and taught by Professor R. Terry Schnadelbach

A two week tour of exemplary landscape architectural spaces that focuses on examples of gardens, parks and urban open spaces in Paris and the nearby region. Program includes: 14 activity-rich days in Paris with classes given on-site at the cultural, historical and political institutions you are studying, 13 nights in hotel with breakfast, numerous group meals, site visits, cultural activities, UF credit, and more! Cost: \$1,900 not including round trip airfare; non-group meals and personal expenses.

Another opportunity during June could be:

Phyllis Katz, Vice President of Atlas Travel Service here in Pittsburgh presented a tour which may be of interest: ***Stately Houses and Gardens Tour of England*** will be offered from June 8 – 19, 2006. Total tour cost \$3,959 (double occupancy) includes airfare; 10 nights hotel accommodations; all breakfasts; 2 lunches; 7 dinners; private transportation throughout; special English Garden Guide and more.

Any study abroad course which is offered by another university or entity may be submitted for approved credit towards the Masters degree by completing the form: **Application for Study Abroad** found on the Chatham [intranet](#) under forms and The HUB. This is the same form used for undergraduate students, however the same process applies to graduate students.

For additional information please contact Lisa Kunst Vavro.

Conferences/Meetings/Events

Carnegie Museums of Art and Natural History open on Monday, January 16, 2006, 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

All children ages 18 and under will receive free museum and “Mysterious Bog People” admission.

Special exhibitions include “The Mysterious Bog People,” closing January 22 at Carnegie Museum of Natural History, and two Pittsburgh-based photography exhibitions at Carnegie Museum of Art—“Luke Swank: Modernist Photographer” and “Witness to the Fifties: Selections from the Pittsburgh Photographic Library, 1950-1953.”

Carnegie Museum of Art and Carnegie Museum of Natural History

Located at 4400 Forbes Avenue in the Oakland section of Pittsburgh and founded by industrialist and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie in 1895, Carnegie Museum of Art and Carnegie Museum of Natural History are nationally and internationally recognized for their

collections. For more information, call 412.622.3131 or visit the museums' Web sites at www.carnegiemuseums.org

Tuesday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the Frick Fine Arts Building, University of Pittsburgh
"Designing for Democracy: A Third-Century National Mall" is the next free lecture featured in **Designing the Future, Preserving the Past**, co-sponsored by Chatham College's Interior Architecture and Landscape Architecture programs with the University of Pittsburgh's Department of Art History and Architecture. Guest lecturer is Dr. Judy Scott Feldman, an art historian and chair of the non-profit National Coalition to Save Our Mall.

January 25th The University of Pittsburgh Community Outreach Partnership Center (COPC) would like to invite you to a New Year presentation on:

**"Learning for Leaders: The Rise of the Cleveland Housing Network"
with Norm Krumholz, Professor, Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University**

**Open now through January 26
WOODLAND ART GALLERY REOPENS WITH ALUMNAE ART SHOW**

Alumnae + Art = Awakening, featuring works by Chatham alumnae Tricia Chicka, Alexis Covato, Christine Jenkins, Jennifer Martin, Hongla Phan, Elizabeth Scott, and Amy Taylor, is located in the expanded Woodland Art Gallery in Woodland Hall.

**Thursday, January 26, 2006
Web Presentation on – Starting Seedlings for Perennials, Annuals, and Vegetables at Home**

The Horticulture Gardening Institute is hosting a Web Presentation on "Starting Seedlings for Perennials, Annuals, and Vegetables at Home."

Gary Heilig, a Horticulture Educator from Michigan State University Extension, will be presenting "Starting Seedlings at Home" on Thursday, January 26, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. EST via the Internet. The presentation will cover the factors of success on a quality transplant, light conditions, containers, soil mixers, temperature, pest problems, and more. Please remember that space is limited. This is a free event.

To register, please visit the website: www.gardeninginstitute.com and click on "Gardening Institute Store" in the "What's New" box on the right hand side of your computer screen. This will take you to the Gardening Institute Store web page, please scroll down the page until you see the "To register for a free online Web Presentation," then click on the title of the Web presentation. You will then have another web page pop-up and scroll to the second listing on the page for this Web presentation and click register.

If you have any questions, please e-mail info@gardeninginstitute.com or call (517) 353-3123.

January 26-28, 2006: Denver, Colorado
5h Annual New Partners For Smart Growth: Building Safe, Healthy and Livable Communities

Who Should Attend

Local elected officials, city and county staff, landscape architects, developers and builders, planners, transportation professionals and traffic engineers, public health professionals, architects, bankers, crime prevention professionals, realtors, urban designers, parks and recreation professionals, environmentalists, advocates for older adults and youth, bicycle and pedestrian advocates, advocates for social equity and

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affordable housing, labor representatives, and all others committed to building safer, healthier, and more livable communities everywhere.

Details

The program will feature cutting-edge smart-growth issues, the latest research, implementation tools and strategies, successful case studies, interactive learning experiences, new partners, new projects, and new policies.

For More Information

Visit <http://www.outreach.psu.edu/programs/smartgrowth>

Saturday, January 28, 2006

Public Workshop From Book to Blog: Creating an Online Journal

10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Mattress Factory

\$20 box lunch included. RSVP required. Please bring a laptop if possible.

January 29-31, 2006

**NJASLA 2006 Annual Meeting at the Trump Taj Mahal Resort and Casino
Atlantic City, NJ**

We had over 640 registrants in 2005 and 65 vendor booths and we expect a similar turnout this year. We also get a lot of turn out from the surrounding states of NY, PA, DE, MD, NC. We have even had people come last year from MA, VT and Canada. This year, we have broken our distance record. There is a visiting professor at Rutgers from Korea who will be attending along with several of his colleagues who will be coming all the way from Korea. They have over 30 LA programs in Korea!

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Patricia Brewer

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NJASLA

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Trenton, NJ 08611

Phone: 609-393-7500

FAX: 609-393-9891

<http://www.njasla.org>

Tuesday, January 31 – Wednesday, February 1, 2006

Upcoming Seminar for Landscape Professionals

"Native Landscape Design: Reality Versus Perception"

at Villanova University, Villanova, PA

Continuing Education Units for Landscape Architects will be offered

Each year this symposium features expert speakers who share innovative ideas and practices for designing naturalistic landscapes. Topics for this year's symposium include how people perceive nature, human activity and whether it is compatible with a healthy forest ecosystem, landscape disturbance as a management tool and creative ways to reduce garden maintenance. For a complete brochure, call the Morris Arboretum at 215-247-5777, ext. 156 or 125.

Sponsored by the Connecticut College Arboretum; the Morris Arboretum; New Directions in the American Landscape; and the PA/DE Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects.

February 9–10, 2006

2006 APGA Design and Planning Symposium hosted by Longwood Gardens. This symposium will focus on issues related to design and planning at public gardens.

Register Now to Guarantee Your Spot for upcoming Symposia!

Space is limited for both the 2006 Design Symposium hosted by Longwood Gardens and the Best Business Practices Symposium hosted by Frederik Meijer Gardens. If you plan to attend, send your registration in as soon as possible.

The program for the Design Symposium features prominent public garden professionals and landscape architects from all over North America. If you are in the design process or expect to be in the next few years, you do not want to miss this opportunity! The **early bird registration deadline is Monday, January 16** so **register now** and save! The deadline for hotel reservations is Tuesday, January 17, and after that date, we can no longer guarantee you a room. See the attached brochure for more information.

The Best Business Practices Symposium offers a wonderful opportunity for those who are responsible for either human resource management or investment management. The program will feature seasoned professionals from gardens that have had great success in these areas. The **early bird registration deadline is February 5** so get your registration in now to ensure your participation!

If you have further questions or need more information, contact Sharon Malgire at 302-655-7100 ext. 18 or smalgire@publicgardens.org

February 13-18, 2006 Seminars February 15-17, 2006 Trade Show
Mid-Atlantic Hardscaping Trade Show
Atlantic City Convention Center Atlantic City, NJ
www.ephenry.com/mahts

Saturday, February 18, 2006 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
"Beauty and Sustainability: Gardens for the 21st Century"

This one-day symposium features: Internationally known experts, who will share insights into the newest and best in garden design and ecological landscape solutions.

Featured speakers and topics to include:

- * Ecology and Nature: Partnership for the Future and Going Wild in Suburbia: Creating Meadows in Small Spaces by Neil Diboll, Prairie Nursery in Wisconsin
- * Structures and Systems: A Sustainable Landscape is a Beautiful Landscape by Henry Hanson, Hanson Design Group in Pittsburgh
- * Dynamic Design with Maintenance in Mind by Wolfgang Oehme, cofounder of the world-renowned landscape architecture firm, Oehme, van Sweden & Associates
- * New Directions in the Landscape by a panel of regional experts

Our partners: The Cleveland Botanical Garden and the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes, with sponsors, Doan Brook Watershed Partnership and Cleveland Metroparks

Cost: \$85 members of sponsoring organizations; \$95 nonmembers

Location: Cleveland Botanical Garden (<http://www.cb garden.org/>), 11030 East Blvd. in Cleveland's University Circle Who should attend: Landscape designers, architects, environmental professionals, educators, native plant enthusiasts and even the most novice home gardener To register/more information: You may register online with the Cleveland Botanical Garden <http://www.cb garden.org/> or by calling Kristen Ciofani at (216) 721-1600 ext. 141. Call Sabrena Schweyer at (330) 375-9600 for additional details.

Friday, February 24, 2006 6:30 p.m.
Beckwith Hall, Buhl Science Building, Chatham College
Ron Block's Thesis Presentation on South Park's History and Design

***Coming March 11th...Western Pennsylvania Garden and Landscaping Symposium
At Eddy Theater, Chatham College.
This year's featured speaker will be Julie Moir Messervy.
Scholarship application forms are available from Lisa Kunst Vavro.***

CARNEGIE MUSEUM OF ART 2006 EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE: This information is effective as of January 1, 2006 and is subject to change. For current information, contact the museum's communications office at 412.688.8690. Images of the museum, its collection, and special exhibitions are available online. Contact the communications office for access to the media photo web site.

Exhibitions

Mixed Doubles

Through January, 29, 2006

Frank Lloyd Wright: Renewing the Legacy

Through January 15, 2006

Luke Swank: Modernist Photographer

Through February 5, 2006

Witness to the Fifties: Selections from the Pittsburgh Photographic Library, 1950-1953

Through February 26, 2006

Tarnished: The Decline of Family Formality

Through May 14, 2006

Barns of Western Pennsylvania

February 4-May 28, 2006

Documenting Our Past: The Teenie Harris Archive Project, Part II

February 18-May 28, 2006

The Impressionist Era: Works on Paper from the Collection

March 11-June 18, 2006

Fierce Friends: Artists & Animals, 1750-1900

March 26-August 27, 2006

Highlights from the Ceramics Collection

May 27-November 5, 2006

Yosemite 1938: On the Trail with Ansel Adams and Georgia O'Keeffe

June 24-September 3, 2006

Gritty Brits: New London Architecture

September 30, 2006-January 28, 2007

Louis Comfort Tiffany: Artist for the Ages

October 14, 2006-Jan. 14, 2007

Tiffany Desk Sets

November 11, 2006-May, 2007

Neapolitan Presepio
November 30, 2006-January 7, 2007

Special Exhibitions and Events

14th Annual Antiques Show and Sale
April 6-8, 2006

The Art Connection Exhibition
April 15-30, 2006

96th Annual Associated Artists of Pittsburgh
October 27, 2006-January 14, 2007

For future consideration:

Chautauqua Institution's summer lecture series will feature in their fourth week, the week of July 17, 2006, the theme of: Landscape Architecture and Community Design. Dennis Carmichael, ASLA, Principal of EDAW; along with James van Sweden, FASLA, founding partner of Oehme, van Sweden & Associates; Charles Birnbaum, FASLA, landscape architect preservationist; and L. Azeo Torre, AIA, president of Torre/Design Consortium in New Orleans are all speaking.

If anyone is interested maybe a group of landscape architecture students and faculty could rent a house on Lake Chautauqua for July 17-22, 2006?

Let Lisa Kunst Vavro know if you are interested, it is not too early to make reservations.

Mike Lin Graphic Workshop

Are you interested in enhancing your hand drawn graphics and design skills lately? By joining one of our popular graphic workshops, you can be assured that the learned experience not only will enrich your professional career but also will bring your confidence to the next level of your dream. Imaging you can draw, sketch and render drawings quickly and convincingly for your clients and save time for your personal life.

I sincerely like to invite you to participate in our graphic workshop either in California or Kansas in 2006. Especially if you are able to attend the January workshop in Manhattan, Kansas, you will receive a **\$250 discount** off the tuition (this doesn't apply to those who has registered).

Wouldn't you like to be one of these people who will no longer be afraid of drawings and feel great for the rest of their lives? Please wait no more and join us next year. If you are able to attend the workshop in Kansas this coming January, please put "250JANKS20063715808" on the special discounts box to receive the \$250 off when register [online](#).

Mike W. Lin, Director, ASLA, ASAI
Mike Lin Graphic workshop

Subject: Creativity Courses in Europe and New York

<http://www.roadstocreation.com>

Hello,

My name is Vivian Glusman and I am the administrative associate of the Creativity Workshop. I wanted to let you know about our summer workshops in Europe (Crete, Provence, Florence, Barcelona, Prague, Dublin and Bruges) and our New York workshops in the spring.

Founded in 1993, the Creativity Workshop is dedicated to teaching people about their creativity and how to use it in all aspects of life, work, and creative expression. The Creativity Workshop helps people believe in and develop their imagination through using a unique series of exercises in memoir, creative writing, visual arts, sense perception, brainstorming, and storytelling. In a non-competitive, nurturing atmosphere, our workshops help participants develop creative skills, expanded sense perception, innovative problem solving, inspired brainstorming, and new ways of looking at life as exciting and transformative. The price of the New York workshop is \$650, tuition only. Our European workshop prices start at \$1,650, including tuition and 9 nights accommodations. The only requirements for the Creativity Workshop are curiosity about the creative process and a sense of playfulness.

See below our calendar for the New York and Europe workshops:

EUROPE SUMMER CALENDAR 2006

Crete: June 19 - 28

Provence: June 29 - July 8

Florence: July 9 - 18

Barcelona: July 19 - 28

Prague: July 28 - August 6

Dublin: August 6 - 15

Bruges: August 15 - 24

From \$1,650 including tuition and 9 night accommodations.

NEW YORK CALENDAR 2006

March 24 – 27; April 21 – 24; May 19 – 22 Tuition: \$650

You can read more about the workshop below or go directly to our extensive informational site:

<http://www.roadstocreation.com>

Chatham Grad Student Information

Announcements:

The Graduate Student Lounge is located on the 2nd floor of the Carriage House, near the kitchen. It is open to all graduate students. If you would like to request additional resources for the lounge, please email alusk@chatham.edu with the information. Requests can include magazine subscriptions, lounge supplies, etc.

Any current or new graduate student who wishes to have a hard copy of the **College Student Handbook** can pick one up at the Student Affairs office, located on the first floor of Mellon near Anderson Dining Hall between 9 and 5 M-F. An online copy of the Student Handbook can be found at <http://www.chatham.edu/documents/studenthandbook.pdf> This publication lists Chatham traditions, College policies, and other relevant information related to campus life.

Any current students who have not filled out the PR Information Sheet form are encouraged to do so and return to College Communications.

Forms are available from Lisa Kunst Vavro or from Chatham College's Communications office.

Please contact Krista Showalter at kshowalter@chatham.edu

PLAN AHEAD - Summer Term Dates Finalized

**Apply for Tuition waiver-work study in Chatham's Arboretum for summer term
4 positions available**

12-week session:

Monday, May 22 – Tuesday, August 15
No classes on Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day)
No classes on Tuesday, July 4

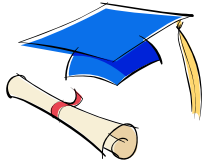
7-week session:

Monday, May 22 – Tuesday, July 11
No classes on Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day)
No classes on Tuesday, July 4

8-week session:

Tuesday, June 20th – Tuesday, August 15
No classes on Tuesday, July 4

Graduate Commencement Ceremony: Saturday, August 19, 2006



Chatham College Student Chapter ASLA

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18TH AT 5:30 P.M. IN STUDIO 203
Student ASLA Chapter Plant Sale Committee will be part of this meeting as well as a discussion about starting a composting effort with the undergraduate ecology group, Green Horizons, on campus.

The Student ASLA Chapter is gearing up to help the Western Section of PA/DE Chapter ASLA in the planning and execution of the PA/DE Chapter ASLA annual meeting to be held in April 6-8, 2006 here in Pittsburgh.
Contact Lisa McGoogan at lmcgoogan@chatham.edu for more information.

A CONTINUOUS REMINDER:



PA/DE ASLA Western Section Student Extracurricular Grant

Look at the seminar and conference opportunities listed above.
Think about how you could use this grant money and apply!

The PA/DE ASLA Chapter has established a **Chatham College Student Extracurricular Grant** of \$1,000.00/year for landscape students. These grant monies are open for application to all Chatham College students in the landscape programs. Individual applications will be awarded for a maximum of \$100.00 each toward an event, conference or field trip the student would like to attend but may not have the necessary funding to do so.

To apply, a student must write at least one paragraph to one page explaining how the grant would be used, as well as, explaining what the applicant's needs are. These applications should be submitted in a sealed envelope to Director Lisa Kunst Vavro, which in turn will be submitted to PA/DE ASLA Chapter's new Western Section Chair, Rachele Wolf, for review and determination.

To date eight students have been awarded grants:

Carol Weston for the North American Landscape History field trip to D.C. May 2004.

Ron Block, Kary Arimoto-Mercer and Rick Mercer for the Jens Jensen symposium in Wisconsin mid-June 2004.

Gary Cramer for the Environmental Writers Conference at CMU in October 2004.

Lisa McGoogan to attend LABASH at Ohio State University in March 2005.

Jane Heatherington and Susan Parker to supplement the expenses to attend Mike Lin's graphic workshop in San Francisco.

There is \$1,235.00 remaining to be awarded, carrying over into this academic year 2005-2006.

These grant monies are available for application NOW and will be available until the funding is depleted for the 2005-2006 year.

Think about how you could use these funds and apply!

Why not ask for funds to join National ASLA as a Student Member, not just join the school chapter?

Design Awards/Competitions

The West End Pedestrian Bridge Design Competition

The West End Bridge is a gateway to the city, framing Pittsburgh's great skyline. Engineers, architects, landscape architects, designers, planners, artists, industrial designers, and others are invited to create visionary proposals for this important landmark. Registration for the competition is being held until December 21st, and the submission completion date is January 31st. For more information or to register, please visit <http://www.riverlifecompetition.org>



ASLA 2006 Professional and Student Awards Call for Entries

It's not too soon to start thinking about entering the ASLA 2006 Professional and Student Awards. The Call for Entries is now available [online](#), and many entries have already been received. Don't miss out on this valuable opportunity to showcase your work-enter today!

Please note that the Professional Awards schedule has changed this year.

Professional Awards deadlines:

Entry forms must be received by Friday, February 10, 2006.

Submission materials must be received by Friday, February 24, 2006.

Student Awards deadlines:

Entry forms must be received by Friday, May 19, 2006

Submission materials must be received by Friday, June 2, 2006.

The program features:

- [General Design category](#);
- [Residential Design category](#) (in partnership with *Garden Design* magazine);
- [Analysis and Planning category](#);
- [Research category](#) (in partnership with CELA and *Landscape Journal*);
- [Communications category](#);
- [The Landmark Award](#) (in partnership with the National Trust for Historic Preservation);
- [Student Collaboration category](#); and
- [The Student Community Service Award](#).

Award recipients will be featured in *Landscape Architecture* magazine and other industry and general media publications. Winning projects in the residential category will also be featured in *Garden Design* magazine. The awards will be presented in a ceremony followed by a luncheon honoring award recipients, their clients, and faculty advisors during the ASLA Annual Meeting & EXPO, October 7-10, 2006, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Need inspiration? Check out the 2005 Professional Awards video and Student Awards PowerPoint on the [2006 Call for Entries](#)

Scholarship / Internship Opportunities

Summer Program Project Leader
The Student Conservation Association
www.thesca.org

Currently recruiting an intern to work in the SCA-Three Rivers office in Pittsburgh to support regional programming this spring and summer. If interested, please send your resume and a letter of interest to Sara Ahrens, Program Manager, SCA Three Rivers, 239 4th Ave. Suite 1007, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, or forward this posting to others who may be interested. This is a 6-month stipend position. There may be other SCA opportunities opening up in the fall, and this could be a great way for someone to start with SCA.

Also, for those of you who may only be available in summer, not spring, we are also currently recruiting summer crew leaders for both regional and national commuting and camping positions.

Scott Arboretum at Swarthmore College has a one-year curatorial internship available for those interested in public horticulture.

Apply by March 1, 2006

Contact Claire Sawyers, Director at csawyer1@swarthmore.edu

Telephone 610-328-8025

LAF 2006 Leadership in Landscape Scholarship Program

February 15, 2006 - the application deadline for submittals.

New scholarships and fellowships have been added and several existing scholarships have been enhanced. Due to these changes, the total of scholarship awards available has increased significantly—from \$20,500 in 2004 to \$ 81,500 in 2006.

Scholarship details and application requirements are available at :

<http://www.lafoundation.org/Scholarships.htm> and
www.laprofession.org/financial/scholarships.htm.

Sincerely,
Ron Figura
Landscape Architecture Foundation
Scholarship Manager
202-331-7070 ext 10
rfigura@lafoundation.org

NATURE AND ECOLOGY NETWORK ANNOUNCES A NEW STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FOR EDRA 36 IN ATLANTA

EDRA's Nature and Ecology Network is offering a \$150 scholarship to help students present their research paper at next year's EDRA 37 Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. This scholarship will be awarded to the best student paper under the broad topic of nature and ecology. See the network web-site at www.mindspring.com/~edra-ne/ to learn more about the Nature and Ecology Network. The scholarship is intended to encourage students to present their research work at EDRA and is open to both undergraduate and graduate students.

To apply for this scholarship, please e-mail a letter of intention along with a copy of your paper that has been submitted to the EDRA Conference to the co- chair of the EDRA Nature and Ecology Network, Robert L. Ryan (rlryan@larp.umass.edu). This award will be presented at the EDRA/Places Awards ceremony at the conference.

The Olmsted Center for Landscape Preservation, a program of the National Park Service, is currently accepting applications for its 2005 Internship Program.

The Olmsted Center promotes the preservation of cultural landscapes through research, planning, stewardship and education. Based at the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site in Brookline, Massachusetts, the Center provides cultural landscape technical assistance to parks and historic properties throughout the Northeast.

The internship program provides participants with an opportunity to broaden their understanding of landscape preservation practice through project experience, educational programs and self-study. Working with Olmsted Center staff, interns assist with preparing cultural landscape reports, developing preservation maintenance plans, documenting existing conditions, and participating in field projects to improve the condition of cultural landscapes.

Two 6-month internships are currently available. 3-month positions may be considered. Preferred candidates will have education and skills in: landscape architecture/horticulture, graphic, writing and computer skills including familiarity with Microsoft Word, Excel and Access, AutoCAD, and/or Geographic Information Systems (GIS). Also desired, proficiency in Adobe Photoshop, and Illustrator and a willingness to travel.

Interns will work at one of four office locations: Boston, Brookline, or Waltham Massachusetts or Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Public transportation is available to each office with the exception of

Waltham. A stipend is provided. Start dates for internships are flexible and will be determined based on selected applicant's availability.

To apply, please forward a resume, dates of availability, and two references by February 28, 2005

to Amy McDermott, Administrative Manager
Olmsted Center for Landscape Preservation,
99 Warren Street, Brookline, MA 02445.
National Park Service, Olmsted Center for Landscape Preservation
Boston, MA

Amy McDermott, Administrative Manager
tel (617) 566-1689 x263
fax (617) 232-4073
amy_mcdermott@nps.gov
<http://www.nps.gov/oclp/>

Phipps Conservatory Internships

Phipps offers a variety of paid internship opportunities for students studying horticulture, education and earth science. Get hands-on experience in the greenhouse, gardens and displays while using your knowledge in botany. Education interns can get experience in the gardens as well as outreach activities in conservatory Discovery Areas. For more information visit www.phipps.conservatory.org

The **Renewable Natural Resource Foundation (RNRF)** has developed a new tool for students interested in a career in natural resources. This new resource includes:

- **Internship information** for students interested in natural resource internships in the federal government and at and through natural resource societies.
- Educational opportunities in the natural resource fields including over 1000 schools offering programs in natural resources along with some other helpful tools in choosing the appropriate source of higher education.
- Career tools will help students identify various natural resource fields and determine which fields interest them.

These new tools are easily accessed from RNRF's website (<http://www.rnrf.org>) by selecting "Internships/Education" from the toolbar. RNRF's website also offers other information of interest to the natural resource community including upcoming meetings and workshops, international news, information about Renewable Resources Journal, and news from our member organizations.

Question: Would any landscape students be interested in Urban Agriculture internships if these were available to you???

Design Work Opportunities

Is anyone interested in this design project?

A local homeowner and real estate agent was reading a copy of this newsletter on the Chatham website and noticed design opportunities for students involving parcels needing help. She has a problem area on her property and would like some help solving the problem. She will be taking

photos and will send a description of the design opportunity with dimensions of the area. Stay posted for upcoming details if you are interested in this design opportunity.

Job Opportunities

The Herb Society national office located in Kirtland OH beside the Holden Arboretum in Kirtland OH is looking for a new executive director, preferably a woman who is attuned to plants but would need to have fiscal and administrative skills.

Amy M. Core (past president HSA)

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

The Heritage Documentation Programs (Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record/Historic American Landscapes Survey), a division of the National Park Service, seeks applications from qualified individuals for summer employment documenting historic sites and structures of architectural, landscape and technological significance throughout the country. Duties involve on-site field work and preparation of [measured and interpretive drawings](#) and [written historical reports](#) for the [HABS/HAER/HALS Collection](#) at the Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress. Projects last twelve weeks, beginning in May/June. Salaries range from approximately \$5,800 to approximately \$10,700 for the summer, depending on job responsibility, locality of the project, and level of experience.

Applications Due: February 13, 2006 (postmark date)

News of Interest

Feedback needed on the Garden Literature Index from students and faculty

The Library will be needing our recommendation on whether or not to acquire the database, so please let me know what has been the general reaction to it.



Grade Easy

Amy from Chatham's Bookstore finally reached the publisher about **Grade Easy**. ASLA no longer has a bookstore but she can still fax an order to them if she pays first. The books will be \$41.00. All students who would like to have this very valuable, handy learning manual for grading, please notify Lisa Kunst Vavro no later than February 20th so an order can be placed.

NOTE these books are not returnable.

**New Books are arriving all the time in Chatham College's Library
Our Most Recent Additions Include:**

Beth Chatto's Gravel Garden
Meetings with Remarkable Trees
Maples of the World

Thanks to Adjunct Bill Paxton for his donations of the following books to our in-house library located in studio 203:

Church Grounds and Gardens by Nancy Wilds
Handbook of Landscape Architectural Construction by Jot Carpenter, Editor
Landscaping the American Dream by James J. Yoch
The American Landscape by Ian Naipen
The freeway in the city Principles of Planning and Design
The Image of the City by Kevin Lynch

CHATHAM LICENSE PLATE OFFER EXTENDED

There is still time to reserve your Chatham license plate number with proceeds benefiting the Alumnae Scholarship Fund. Available to anyone with a valid Pennsylvania registration, the plates are only \$25 for all current Chatham undergraduate and graduate students. You can also select a number under 100 for the reduced cost of only \$50. For more information, visit: <http://www.chatham.edu/licenseplate/> or call Beth Levanti at 412-365-1517 (blevanti@chatham.edu).

A Message from Ken Druse...I Heard It On The Radio

Some of you may have already caught my new radio program, Ken Druse/REAL DIRT, broadcast over Lime network via Sirius Satellite radio, channel 114. I am happy to announce that you can now listen to my show streaming live over the Internet via your computer!

My co-host, garden columnist Vicki Johnson and I talk about gardening outdoors and indoors, for your home, for the earth, and for your soul.

Both of us are passionate about our gardens and know, like you, that a sense of humor is absolutely essential for coping with the challenges, and inevitable blunders that occur when attempting to create living art. We also celebrate every success, large and small, and are eager to share all that we see, smell, hear and learn in our gardens.

To read more about the Ken Druse/REAL DIRT Radio broadcast, and learn how you can listen to the broadcast--on your computer--every Saturday at 10AM and 2 PM ET please visit my web site by clicking on the link: Ken Druse/Real Dirt kendruserealdirt@yahoo.com

Boundless Playgrounds Announces New Playground Industry Partners

BLOOMFIELD, CONN. (January 12, 2006) – The National Center for Boundless Playgrounds®, the first national nonprofit dedicated to opening the world of play to children of all abilities, is pleased to announce its new Playground Industry Partners: **Miracle Recreation Equipment Company; Little Tikes Commercial; Playworld Systems; GameTime; Park Structures; Big Toys; and Recreation Creations.** Boundless Playgrounds issued an invitation to the national playground industry to join in a groundbreaking collaboration to help communities create barrier-free playgrounds. These seven companies will offer a selection of Boundless Playgrounds certified models in their catalogs and on their websites. Each model will be compliant with Boundless Playgrounds' high

standards for playgrounds that welcome children with and without disabilities and support their development of life skills.

“We are thrilled about our new partners and what this program means for the thousands of people who contact us or visit our website each year to learn about Boundless Playgrounds,” said Jean Schappet, co-founder/co-executive director of Boundless Playgrounds. “There now will be a greater variety of easy, efficient and cost-effective ways for communities to build truly barrier-free playgrounds. Our partners recognize the developmental advantages of play for all children and they’re committed to working with us to expand play opportunities for children of all abilities.”

Royalties from the sale of Boundless Playgrounds certified models will help fund challenge grant programs for building Boundless Playgrounds and support Boundless Playgrounds’ core programs and services.

This innovative new program was launched with a lead gift from Hasbro Children’s Foundation and Hasbro, Inc., a longtime supporter of Boundless Playgrounds and its first national founding sponsor. Hasbro’s support has helped Boundless Playgrounds establish a national resource center, launch an education campaign and develop playgrounds in 24 disadvantaged communities across the United States.

For information on Boundless Playgrounds’ industry partners and links to their websites, please see attached sheet or visit www.boundlessplaygrounds.org and click on “Playground Industry Partners.”

The National Center for Boundless Playgrounds is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides leadership to help communities create extraordinary playgrounds where all children, with and without disabilities, can develop essential skills for life as they learn together through play. More than 80 Boundless Playgrounds projects are now open in 21 states and Canada and dozens more are currently in development. Boundless Playgrounds, based in Connecticut, was founded in 1997 by a passionate team of parents and professionals.

Adaptive Environments, <http://adaptiveenvironments.org>, a Boston-based international nonprofit organization dedicated to gathering, researching and disseminating the latest knowledge, research and ideas on **Human-Centered/Universal Design** from around the world, has just launched its new worldwide **membership initiative**. This new comprehensive effort will create a global online network of the most innovative thinkers, designers, researchers and educators dedicated to Universal Design, available anywhere.

Please see the following links:

[PDF - AE Membership Press Release \(11/16/05\)](#)[MS Word - AE Membership Press Release \(11/16/05\)](#)

Check out the **list of invasive non-native plants** that NJ DEP has put together. The list is at: http://www.state.nj.us/dep/commissioner/policy/pdir2004-02_appendix.pdf

[News from Sustainable Pittsburgh:](#)

Lend Your Voice of Optimism for Sustainability

Sustainable Pittsburgh asked all readers of 3E Links to think of two sentences that describe how the practice and policy of sustainability is coming on strong in the Southwestern Pennsylvania region. Here are three examples:

“More and more, I see businesses, not only locally, but notable, nationwide corporations that are innovating products and sustainable practices that respond to consumer demand for triple bottom line value beyond ‘consumerism’. This shows me that the concept and promise of sustainability is ever broadening.”

“The increasing calls for diversity among leadership in all sections is evidence of growing appreciation that diversity not only contributes to better, more equitable decisions, but also pays on the bottom line in long lasting material ways.”

“The addition of bike paths in many communities, linking main streets to neighborhoods to shopping centers, shows that people are becoming increasingly aware of sustainability. Bike paths are not only a sign of the effort to conserve natural resources—they signify a community’s dedication to promoting healthy activity, sustaining the health of people and thus economic productivity.”

Keep these statements coming! Sustainable Pittsburgh will compile your comments and display them prominently on our website. Simply reply (info@sustainablepittsburgh.org) with your two sentences about how you see sustainability mounting. Together, your pronouncements will contribute to the understanding and “can do” attitude for a Sustainable Future.

Thank you from Marijke Hecht of Nine Mile Run to those who participated

“Thank you for your incredible enthusiasm, ideas, and vision at this weekend’s Regent Square Gateway community design workshop. Your efforts really are the key to moving this project forward and after this weekend I am sure that the project is going to be fantastic!

All of your ideas are now being catalogued and reviewed by the design team of Cahill Associates, Rolf Sauer & Partners, and Atelier Dreiseitl. I will then meet with the team in January to begin to develop preliminary design ideas for the Gateway site. We will keep you updated as to the progress of the project over the next several months. And of course, you can expect an invitation to another public event in the spring when the entire design team returns to Pittsburgh to get your feedback on the schematic design ideas.

In the meantime, I thought you might enjoy reading this article about the weekend workshop from Monday’s Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. <http://www.post-gazette.com/pg/05339/617388.stm>

I look forward to working with all of you as this project unfolds.”

