

2007 IAH Planning Update  
November 2006

Date: Friday, Feb. 23, 7-9 pm  
Saturday, Feb. 24, 8:30 am-5 pm

Place: Indiana Memorial Union, Bloomington

conference website: <http://www.indiana.edu/~imaghist/IAH/index.html>

## PROGRAM

The preliminary Saturday program is complete. It includes approximately 60 speakers in 14 sessions, combining formal paper session and roundtable formats. One session proposal remains under consideration. Fifteen proposals were rejected. In keeping with the conference theme, the meeting features a mix of academically based historians and contributors who come from other professional backgrounds: state government, journalism, film production, archives, museum work, etc. Most, but not quite all, are Indiana-based. The preliminary program list is available for viewing on the conference website. Several chair and comment spots remain open; these will be filled in the coming weeks.

The content and site of the Friday evening reception remain undecided. We have been offered an opportunity to cosponsor an event taking place in conjunction with another conference, "Putting Memory in Place," being held in Bloomington in the days just before our own. They will have a session entitled "Place-Based Computing for Public History," by Canadian scholar William Turkel, and scheduled for the Fountain Square Ballroom, on the Bloomington Courthouse square. The site and the theme make this an attractive option, but I am continuing to discuss it with others before making a commitment.

## REGISTRATION

In keeping with the budget submitted earlier, advance registration fees are \$30 for students, \$40 for IAH members, and \$50 to others (walk-in rates are slightly higher). All participants have been told that they must register. Registration forms and fees will be collected at the IU History Department, with checks forwarded to the IAH for deposit.

## PUBLICITY

With the website now nearly complete, I am preparing to publicize the conference to promote registration. I plan to do so through several complementary email lists: the H-

Net Network (particularly H-Public and H-Indiana), the history department faculty list, inherited from Matt Vosmeier, and an additional list of c. 100 Indiana non-academic historians that I have assembled. I recommend an additional, mailed piece to come from the IAH either at the end of the year or in the early days of the New Year.

## REVENUE

The IU History department has agreed to cover the keynote speaker's transportation, accommodation, and speaking fees, as well as additional catering costs up to a total of \$3250. I have solicited a small (c. \$200) donation from an IU committee on which I sit, the Landscape as Object Study Group, which will sponsor our place-based sessions. I am soliciting Indiana presses to buy display table space in the Union, at a rate of \$100 for a single table, \$150 for two. We may receive some in-kind support, if we combine our Friday evening program as outlined above, in the form of a drastically reduced fee for our Friday evening reception space. Any additional revenues will have to come from registration fees.

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