



Tentative Program

Sunday, September 30, 2007

9:30	Official Opening Willemstad World Heritage Week
10:00	Official opening "Open Monument Day"
13:00 - 15:00	Registration FCAA
14:00 - 18:00	General Assembly FCAA
19:00 - 21:00	Welcome Reception FCAA

Monday, October 1, 2007

08:00 - 16:00	Registration FCAA
09:00 - 09:15	Official opening Conference
09:00 - 11:35	Theme: Civic Architecture Revisited
11:35 - 12:00	Panel Discussion
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 16:20	Theme: Caribbean Civic Architecture in Historic Perspective
16:20 - 16:45	Panel Discussion
16:45 - 17:00	Closing
20:00 - 22:30	Celebration "World Day of Architecture" and opening Exhibition FCAA

Tuesday, October 2, 2007

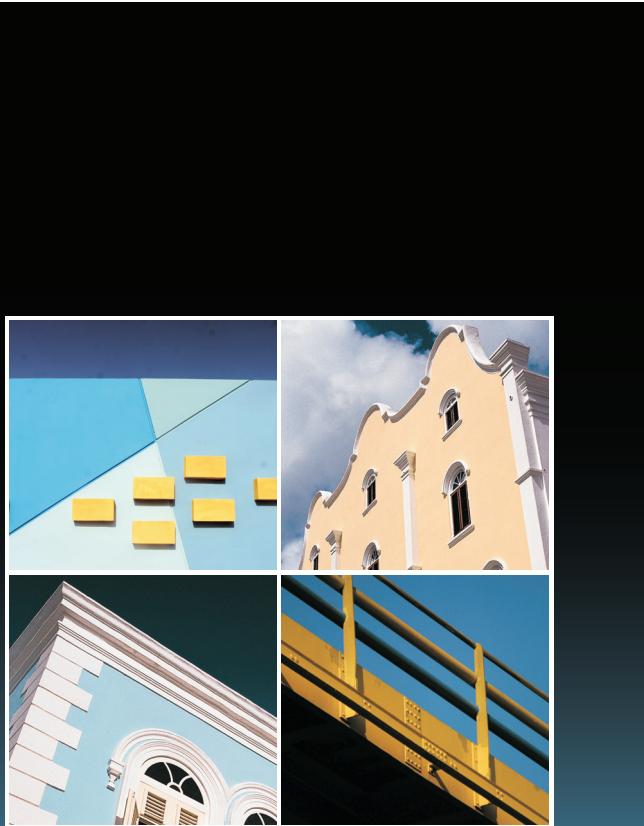
09:00 - 09:15	Introduction
09:15 - 11:35	Theme: Civic Architecture & its Client
11:35 - 12:00	Panel Discussion
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 17:00	Workshop
14:00 - 18:00	General Assembly FCAA
17:00 - 17:45	Evaluation Workshop
20:00 - 23:00	Historical Dinner

Wednesday, October 3, 2007

08:00 - 17:00	Secretariat FCAA
09:00 - 09:15	Introduction
09:15 - 11:35	Theme: Caribbean Contemporary Architecture
11:35 - 12:00	Panel Discussion
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 16:20	Theme: Caribbean Contemporary Architecture
16:20 - 17:00	Theme: International Civic Architecture
17:00 - 17:25	Panel Discussion & Closing
19:30 - 21:00	Closing ceremony
21:30 - 24:00	Final party

Among the confirmed speakers are:

Roberto Segre - Brazil, Jaime Lerner-Brazil, Gustavo More - Dominican Republic, Mark Raymond - Trinidad, Jorge Rigamonti - Venezuela, Segundo Cardona - Puerto Rico, Colin Laira - Trinidad, Lorenzo Castro Jaramillo - Colombia, Jorge Rigau - Puerto Rico, Sofia Saavedra - Bruno - Curaçao, Michael Newton - Curaçao



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VI FCAA BIENNIAL OF CARIBBEAN ARCHITECTURE CURAÇAO

September 30 - October 03
2007



FCAA
FEDERATION OF CARIBBEAN
ASSOCIATIONS OF ARCHITECTS

10th
anniversary
WILLEMSTAD
world heritage city

About the VIth FCAA Biennial

The Federation of Caribbean Associations of Architects, FCAA, will hold its 6th Architecture Biennial from September 30th till October 3rd, 2007 in Curaçao. The Biennial will showcase recent architectural works by Caribbean architects and a three-day conference. Those participating at this years' biennial will also be joining us in the celebration of the 10th anniversary of Willemstad as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Willemstad is the capital of Curaçao, Netherlands Antilles.

The biennial will be hosted by the "Sosiedat di Arkitekto i Ingeniero Antiano", SAIA, the local architect's association. They have teamed up with the Fundashon Pro Monumento (ProMo), the pro-monument foundation, and TEAM CACTUS, the local architecture foundation, to create an exiting program.

The FCAA represents the Caribbean region of the Federation of Pan-American Associations of Architects (FPAA). The FCAA's main objective is to gather Caribbean architects and architects from neighboring countries of the Caribbean basin in order to reinforce the professional, artistic, intellectual and friendly relations between them.

Conference Theme

Theme of the conference will be "**Caribbean Civic Architecture**". Civic Architecture refers to buildings that are necessary for exercising the tasks of the government such as parliament buildings, ministries, public registries, court buildings and prisons. But it also refers to other buildings that fulfill a public function and are directly or indirectly financed by the government like schools, universities, airports, railroad stations, theaters, libraries, museums, hospitals, parks, monumental infrastructure and subsidized housing. Civic architecture is the opposite of private architecture, in which almost always a private (commercial) interest prevails. Since the public interest prevails within civic architecture its role is mostly social. It can be used to strengthen the identity of the people, the state or the city and can be a catalyst for the private sector. Civic architecture must always be exemplary, what puts special responsibilities on politicians and architects. The crucial question is if the value of civic architecture is understood and if politics can share its role with private developers.

Exhibition

Architects, urban designers and students of the region are invited to submit entries for a competition which will be part of the biennial. Participants of this competition will benefit from press and publication coverage, as well as exposure to the general public in an exhibition which will be held from October 1st, 2007 through October 15th, 2007 in the historic city of Willemstad. An international jury will select the best projects in different categories to be awarded.

Who Should Attend

The conference sessions can be attended by professionals and all interested parties like government representatives, politicians, representatives of restoration institutions etc. The workshop can be attended by professionals working in the architectural field like architects, urban planners, architecture critics, lecturers in architectural education and representatives of professional associations.

Participation in the competition and exhibition is allowed for projects build in the Caribbean

Speakers

Architects and public policy makers of international renown have been invited as speakers for their ample knowledge in the realization of civic architecture either as designers or clients. Eleven of those invited have already confirmed their participation as a speaker.

Conference Language

The official languages of the conference will be English, Spanish and French. Simultaneous translation will be provided during the conference sessions.

Conference Venue

The conference sessions are scheduled to take place in Teatro Luna Blou located in Otroranda, the western part of the World Heritage City Willemstad.

Accommodation

Special rates have been arranged with hotels most situated within walking distance of the Congress Venue.

Monumento Habré 2007 (Open Monument Day 2007)

This growing bi-annual event marks the opening of the celebration activities of the 10th anniversary of Willemstad as World Heritage City. It has become a true tradition in Curaçao, where during an entire day 25 – 30 historical buildings in a selected area of the World Heritage Site are opened to the general public. The day is accompanied by a wide variety of cultural activities related to our rich cultural heritage, such as music, food, film, and art. Entrance is free. For more information visit www.monumento.com

General Information

Curaçao

Curaçao is located just off the coast of Venezuela. The Capital of Curaçao is Willemstad, a town with a unique blend of Dutch architecture and tropical influences. The two parts of Willemstad, Punda and Otroranda are connected by the "Swinging old lady" a floating pontoon bridge named Queen Emma Bridge.

Ten years ago, Willemstad earned itself a place on the Unesco World Heritage list, for its unique value as a typical Dutch Caribbean town which has kept the authenticity of its architecture through many years.

Besides its history, Curaçao has a great variety of sites making it one of the most visited islands in the Caribbean. The island is like a living museum with a big stage where different cultures blend together in an exiting experience for visitors.

Air Connections

Curaçao is accessible from major Caribbean, South American, US and European Gateways. Insel Air, Dutch Antilles Express, Air Jamaica, Caribbean Star, Aeropostal, Tiara Air Tours, DIVI DIVI, American Airlines, Continental Airlines, Sol America, AIRES, Avianca, Aserca, Avoir, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Arke Fly, Martinair, American Eagle, and Surinam Airways fly into Curacao. There are flights originating or connecting from several Caribbean gateways like Port of Spain, Port au Prince, Montego Bay, Santo Domingo, St. Martin, San Juan, Aruba and Bonaire. Flights are available from South American destinations such as; Valencia, Las Piedras, Caracas, Maracaibo, Barranquilla, Bogota, Punto Fijo and Paramaribo. From the US there are flights from Miami, Newark and charter flights from Toronto. From Amsterdam daily flights are available.

Entry Requirements

For U.S. and Canadian citizens, a passport, birth certificate or proof of citizenship with picture ID and return ticket are required. All other congress participants need a valid passport to enter Curaçao. Furthermore, nationals from the countries listed below must apply in advance for a visa to enter Curaçao. Albania, Bulgaria, China, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Colombia, Kampuchea, North Korea, Libya, Rumania, Vietnam, all former Soviet States, all former Yugoslavian States except Slovenia.

Climate

On this island, with an area of 171 square miles (444 km²), the sun shines almost every day. The average daytime temperature is 82° Fahrenheit (28° Celsius). The humidity is about 77%, while the constant trade winds provide a pleasant cooling breeze year round.

Currency

U.S. currency is accepted everywhere, along with travelers checks and most major credit cards. Prices are quoted in the national currency, the Netherlands Antilles Florin or Guilder, at the exchange rate of U.S. 1.00 to 1.77 NA florin for cash and 1.78 for traveler checks.