



The Conservation, management and interpretation of cemeteries

A two day skills development workshop focusing on practical issues of identifying and managing the heritage values of cemeteries and graves.

Date: 29-31 August 2013

Venues: Sir Roland Wilson Building, Australian National University and at selected cemeteries and burial locations in the ACT and region.

Cost: \$660 (incl. GST) for 2 days including course materials, morning and afternoon teas and lunches on each day.

Details: This skills development workshop focuses on building awareness and understanding of the particular issues faced in the conservation of cemeteries and the features commonly found in cemeteries. Cemeteries potentially have a wide range of heritage values, including to specific groups within the community that make them potentially complex sites for heritage conservation.

This workshop is based in the Canberra region and includes on-site discussion of conservation methods, practical issues and management approaches at a range of cemeteries. The course will visit locations that illustrate cemetery types from an 19th century churchyard cemetery, cemeteries on rural holdings and an 20th century cemetery. Issues of Aboriginal burials will also be discussed considering one known burial in the ACT region as well as examples from elsewhere in Australia.

The course will be presented by heritage practitioners experienced in the conservation of cemeteries.

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Enrol and pay: Details of how to enrol and pay will be available on the IPPHA website event calendar soon.

Course aims:

The aims of this workshop are to build skills in participants in relation to:

1. understanding the wide range of heritage values potentially associated with cemeteries and methods for documenting and understanding those values;
2. selecting and reviewing suitable recording and documentation approaches for cemeteries;
3. knowledge of the range of conservation and management issues found in different cemetery contexts;
4. understanding the key physical conservation issues affecting graves and cemeteries
5. understanding and applying existing principles and guidelines to the conservation of cemeteries;
6. awareness of the range of different options for the presentation, interpretation and use of cemeteries; and
7. On-site skills in working on cemetery and grave sites in the field.

Target Audiences

The skills development workshop will be suitable for anyone interested in developing a deeper understanding and up-to-date knowledge of heritage conservation approaches to cemeteries. Specific audiences that would benefit from attending are:

- Officers of local government authorities and other organisations with the responsibility for cemetery management;
- Heritage consultants undertaking work for cemetery, heritage or local government authorities;
- State and territory heritage agency staff responsible for heritage listings and strategies that include cemeteries;
- Staff of Commonwealth or state/territory agencies that manage properties or protected areas with cemeteries or grave sites;
- Students in heritage conservation interested in developing a deeper understanding of a specific aspect of heritage practice;
- Staff from Indigenous groups, land councils or other organisations with an interest in cemetery and grave conservation and management; and
- Members of the public interested in the history, heritage and care of cemeteries.

Course program

<i>Day / time</i>	<i>Session detail</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Presenter/s</i>
Day 1	Thursday 29 August		
12pm	<i>Registration and light lunch</i>	Sir Roland Wilson (SRW) Building ANU	
1pm	Welcome and workshop introduction	SRW Building ANU	IPPHA
1.15pm	Setting the scene: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Scale and definitions ▸ An overview of the heritage values of cemeteries ▸ The history of cemetery conservation practice 	SRW Building ANU	David Young
2.15pm	Who is involved? – working with people in cemetery conservation	SRW Building ANU	Anne Claoué-Long
2.45pm	<i>Afternoon tea</i>		
3.15pm	Survey and documentation of cemeteries	SRW Building ANU	David Young
3.45pm	Physical conservation issues	SRW Building ANU	David Young
4.15pm	Principles, guidelines and resources for the conservation of cemeteries	SRW Building ANU	Anne Claoué-Long
5.00pm	<i>Day close</i>		

Day 2	Friday 30 August		
8.30am	<i>Meet for field visit departure</i>	SRW Building ANU	
9.00am	Field visit – A 19 th century churchyard cemetery	St John's Reid	
10.00am	Field visit – A planned multi-denomination cemetery	Riverside Cemetery Queanbeyan	
12.00pm	<i>Picnic lunch</i>	<i>Tharwa Bridge</i>	
1.30pm	Field visit – Rural private cemeteries and an Aboriginal historical burial	Tharwa and De Salis Cemetery	
4.00am	Field visit – A 'modern' cemetery	Woden Cemetery	
5.30pm	Return to ANU – day close	SRW Building ANU	

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Day 3 Saturday 31 August

8.30am	Review: Understanding the heritage values of cemeteries	SRW Building ANU	David Young
9.15am	Review: Policies, strategies and developing conservation management plans for cemeteries	SRW Building ANU	David Young
10.00am	<i>Morning tea</i>		
10.30pm	Review: Indigenous issues, skeletal remains, graves and cemeteries	SRW Building ANU	TBA
11.15pm	Approaches to the presentation and interpretation of cemeteries	SRW Building ANU	David Young ACT Heritage TBA
12.15pm	Workshop review and evaluation	SRW Building ANU	IPPHA
12.30pm	<i>Finish</i>		

Program convener**David Young**

David Young OAM is a heritage consultant specialising in building materials conservation. With a background in geology he has been involved in the diagnosis and repair of historic buildings and sites for over twenty five years, with a particular focus on those of stone. David is an Adjunct Associate Professor in Cultural Heritage Management at the University of Canberra. He has contributed to international courses on wood conservation in Norway, and has run short courses on building conservation in Australia, South Africa and New Zealand. He was convener of the Australia ICOMOS working group that undertook major revisions to the Burra Charter in 1995–1999. He has chaired a Heritage Advisory Panel for the Port Arthur Historic Site and the New South Wales Heritage Council’s Technical Advisory Group. He is a member of the Heritage Council of Victoria’s Technical Advisory Committee. David is the author of the technical guide, *Salt Attack and Rising Damp: a guide to salt damp in historic and older buildings*, published by the heritage agencies of New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and the City of Adelaide. He is currently preparing a technical guide on mortars and repointing of older buildings.

Presenter**Anne Claoué-Long**

Anne Claoué-Long is an historian who currently works as an Associate at Godden Mackay Logan Heritage Consultants. She has worked in the museum and heritage fields for 15 years. Anne’s experience in historic and heritage research and conservation projects includes significance assessment, conservation planning, heritage impact statements, interpretation, exhibitions and public programs. During her career Anne has worked for the Commonwealth and ACT Governments and in the private sector. She has worked in heritage projects in various States and Territories, and on Australian Defence properties. She has particular expertise in the heritage of the ACT and region, and her particular area of interest is a

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landscape focus to historic, social and heritage significance; all subjects on which she has written and conducted workshops/talks for peer professionals and the public.

Logistic arrangements

Participants not from Canberra will need to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements.



Accommodation options close to the ANU include: University House, Liversidge Court Apartments, Diamont Hotel and Rydges Canberra Lakeside.

The course will be held at the Sir Roland Wilson Building (Building 120) at the Australian National University. Site visits will be made to a number of cemeteries in the Canberra region.

Registration and payment

Please go to the IPPHA website page for this event at <http://ippha.anu.edu.au>, where registration for the event will soon become available - please use the 'Register' button which links to the ANU's electronic enrolment and payment system. Prior to this becoming available, please submit an expression of interest form on the website.

The cost for professional development workshop covers tuition, a course folder, morning and afternoon teas, 2 lunches and field visit transport.

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