GENERAL INFORMATION

Pre-conference Programs
For in-depth coverage of archival topics of special interest to you, enhance your conference experience by attending a ½-, 1-, or 2-day workshop or seminar – and return to work brimming with new ideas and approaches! To ensure interaction between the instructor(s) and participants, class size is limited. For more information about these education programs on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, see pages 10-13.

Registration Desk Hours
Pre-registrants may pick up their conference materials at the Pre-Registration Desk in the Registration Area. Your registration packet will include a name badge, tickets to special events (if applicable), and an Onsite Program that lists times and locations (but not descriptions) for all sessions and events. We recommend that you bring with you to the meeting this Preliminary Program so that you have session descriptions on hand. On-site registrants should register at the Registration Desk. A name badge is required for admission to all sessions and events.

We’re Wired!
We’ve negotiated free Internet access for all conference registrants who are staying at the Hilton Austin. That’s in your sleeping room – and in meeting rooms! Conference registrants who are not Hilton guests will not have free Internet access in the meeting rooms, but will have access to the AUSTIN 2009 CyberCafe in the Registration Area.

SAA Bookstore
One-stop shopping! Visit the SAA Bookstore to purchase SAA’s newest titles, learn more about the Society’s role as the leading clearinghouse for archival resources in print, and discuss your ideas with Publishing Director Teresa Brinati. You’ll have the chance to browse 100+ titles ranging from basic texts on archival fundamentals and best practices to more advanced readings on electronic records, program management, and the latest information technologies.

Open longer hours:

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Career Center
Wondering about your career options? Visit the Career Center to learn about current employment vacancies and opportunities for postgraduate study, or to consult with a career advisor. (Wednesday, Noon – 5:00 pm; Thursday, 7:00 am – 5:00 pm; and Friday, 7:00 am – 5:00 pm) If you’re a job seeker or potential employer, take this opportunity to place your job announcement or resume on file for others to see at the meeting. For more information, contact Jeanette Spears at SAA, 866-722-7858 or jspears@archivists.org.

ATTENTION
FIRST-TIMERS AND NEW MEMBERS!

We understand that being a new member of an organization or of the profession, or attending a large conference for the first time, can be a daunting experience. That’s why we provide a variety of services and programs that can help you survive — and thrive! — at AUSTIN 2009 and beyond....

New Member / First-Timer Orientation
Begin your day on Thursday by joining CoSA President David Haury and SAA President Frank Boles, CoSA Board and SAA Council members, and the SAA Membership Committee for a casual conversation about how to make the most of your time at the conference. A light continental breakfast will be served. (Thursday, 7:00 – 8:00 am)

Career Center
Wondering about your career options? Visit the Career Center to learn about current employment vacancies and opportunities for postgraduate study, or to consult with a career advisor. (Wednesday, 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm; Thursday, 7:00 am – 5:00 pm; and Friday, 7:00 am – 5:00 pm) If you’re a job seeker or potential employer, take this opportunity to place your job announcement or resume on file for others to see at the meeting. For more information, contact Jeanette Spears at SAA, 866-722-7858 or jspears@archivists.org.

Mentoring Program
Interested in discussing paths for professional development? Want to share your knowledge and experience with a fresh young talent? Stop by the Career Center for coffee and learn about how SAA’s dynamic Mentoring Program can help you make the right connections. (Thursday, 8:00 – 8:30 am)

Navigator Program
SAA’s Women Archivists Roundtable and Membership Committee are pleased to sponsor the Navigator Program, which matches experienced members with new members or first-time attendees. Your navigator can help guide you through the maze of this large meeting! All AUSTIN 2009 attendees are welcome to request a navigator or volunteer to serve in this important role. For more information, contact navigator@forums.archivists.org. You’ll be contacted in mid-July and matched with a partner. The deadline to request a navigator is July 1.

By vote of the SAA membership, the Society maintains a “no smoking” policy that applies to all SAA meetings, receptions, and other functions.
“Office Hours”

**AUSTIN 2009** is a wonderful place to meet and greet – and CoSA and SAA are delighted to offer representatives from our own and related organizations an opportunity to answer your questions and hear your ideas. Check the Onsite Program for the “Office Hours” schedule and location in the Exhibit Hall. Already on the schedule:

- **SAA Research Forum**
- **National Historical Publications and Records Commission**
- **National Endowment for the Humanities**
- **Institute of Museum and Library Services**

Posters, Posters Everywhere!

**AUSTIN 2009** features three different sets of poster presentations – all of which are certain to be of interest to you!

**Professionals’ Poster Presentations**, which were reviewed and accepted by the 2009 Program Committee as part of the program proposal process, will be on display from Thursday through Saturday. Presenters are expected to be with their posters to discuss them with viewers on Thursday, August 13, from 3:30 to 4:00 pm, and on Friday, August 14, from 4:00 to 4:30 pm. See page 38 for a list of Professional Posters.

**Research Forum Poster Presentations** will be reviewed and accepted for presentation at the 3rd Annual SAA Research Forum on Tuesday, August 11, and will be available for viewing from Thursday through Saturday. For information about submitting a poster or paper to the Research Forum, see the Call for Papers and Posters on page 14. (To register for the Research Forum, see side 2 of the registration form.)

**Graduate Student Poster Presentations**, which are an important SAA tradition, were selected by the Student Program Subcommittee of the 2009 Program Committee. They will be on display in the Exhibit Hall throughout Expo Hall hours, and students are expected to be with their posters to discuss them with attendees on Thursday, August 13, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm, and on Friday, August 14, from 11:30 am to 12:45 pm. See page 40 for a list of Graduate Student Posters.

Audio Recordings

Extend your learning even after the conference ends! Many education sessions will be audio-recorded, and CDs will be available for purchase during and after the meeting. Check the Onsite Program for a list of sessions that are being recorded.

Child Care

Please contact Letiscia Perrin at Conference and Logistics Consultants (410-571-0590) to learn about child care options. Per a 1984 vote of the membership, a small portion of each SAA Annual Meeting registration is assessed to help subsidize the cost of child care at the meeting.