Because the Cultural Property Working Group was organized just during the past two months, the Group has not yet had a chance to meet. This report, therefore, details the forming of the Working Group and our agenda for the August 2010 meeting in conjunction with DC 2010.

Formation

In late February 2010, Jeannette Bastian was asked to chair the new Cultural Property Working Group (CPWG). Bastian worked with SAA Vice President Helen Tibbo and SAA Executive Director Nancy Beaumont to assemble a Working Group representing those constituencies within SAA and the archives profession that might bring a variety of perspectives to the discussion. This process took several months, and the Working Group was finally assembled by late April. The eleven members of the Working Group are:

- Jeannette Bastian (Chair), Simmons College
- Elizabeth Banks, National Park Service
- Lisa Calahan, The Black Metropolis Research Consortium
- Robert Leopold, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution
- Philip Mooney, The Coca-Cola Company
- Lisa Nguyen, Hoover Institution Archives, Stanford University
- Jennifer O’Neal, National Museum of the American Indian, Smithsonian Institution
- Marisol Ramos, University of Connecticut
- Sharon Thibodeau, National Archives and Records Administration
- Kelvin White, University of Oklahoma
- Helen Tibbo (ex officio), University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Draft Agenda

The Working Group has agreed on the following agenda for its first meeting on August 11, 2010. This agenda should lead to the development of a work plan to deliver to the Council by December 2010.
Agenda Items:

1. Introductions.
2. SAA charge.
4. Issues, goals, and outcomes: What are the issues (both those in the charge and contingent issues) that CPWG wants to consider? What are the intended outcomes?
5. Aligning the Working Group with similar SAA groups.
6. Communication and dissemination: How will we gather information from SAA members, invite opinions, reach consensus (i.e., public forums, presentations)?
7. Projects: An annotated bibliography, sponsoring SAA presentations, etc.