

Call for Participants * Call for Presentations

2009 RESEARCH FORUM “FOUNDATIONS AND INNOVATIONS”



TUESDAY, AUGUST 11
9:00 AM–5:00 PM
HILTON AUSTIN, TEXAS

Participants' response to the first two Annual SAA Research Forums confirmed that the full spectrum of research activities—from “pure” research to applied research to innovative practice—is of great interest and value to the archives community. The 2009 Research Forum will build on previous success by continuing with a full day of presentations.

If you're:

- Engaged in research...
- Seeking to identify research-based solutions for your institution...
- Willing to participate in the research cycle by serving as a beta site for research trials...or
- Simply interested in what's happening in research and innovation...

Then join us for the 3rd Annual SAA Research Forum: “Foundations and Innovations”!

Researchers, practitioners, educators, students, and the curious across all sectors of archives and records management are invited to participate. Use the Forum to discuss, debate, plan, organize, evaluate, or motivate research projects and initiatives. Major goals of the Forum are to facilitate collaboration and help inform researchers about what questions and problems need to be tackled.

The 3rd Annual SAA Research Forum will be held at ARCHIVES 2009 to acknowledge current—and encourage future—research and innovation from across the archives community and for the benefit of the archives profession.

RESEARCH FORUM EVENTS AT ARCHIVES 2009

The following events are planned for 2009:

- **Research Workshop** (Monday, August 10, 9:00 am–4:00 pm): A one-day session that will provide guidance and advice for conducting research, from defining the scope to presenting the results.
- **Research Presentations and Posters** (Tuesday, August 11, 9:00 am–5:00 pm): Here's your chance to present, discuss, listen to, or view research reports and results on a variety of topics. The final 30 minutes of this session will seek input for SAA's 2009 Research Forum.
- **“Office Hours” in the Exhibit Hall** (Thursday, August 13, and Friday, August 14): Research Forum organizers will be on hand to hear your ideas about the Forum and for *ad hoc* discussions about specific research projects.
- **Poster Sessions:** Be sure to make time to visit the poster sessions, which will include practice innovation and research topics.

CALL FOR PLATFORM AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS

SAA invites submission of abstracts (of 250 words or less) for either 10-minute platform presentations or poster presentations. Topics may address research on, or innovations in, any aspect of archival practice or records management in government, corporate, academic, scientific, or other setting. Presentations on research results that may have emerged since the SAA Call for Proposals deadline in October 2008 are welcome, as are reports on research completed within the past 3 years that you think is relevant and valuable for discussion. Please indicate whether you intend a platform or poster presentation.

Abstracts will be evaluated by a review committee co-chaired by Nancy McGovern (Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, University of Michigan) and Helen Tibbo (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill).

Deadline for submission of abstracts: May 1, 2009. You will be notified of the review committee's decision by June 15.

Submit your 250-word abstract no later than May 1 via email to researchforum@archivists.org.