



CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

The Stan Hywet Symposium

2008 Symposium: **ON DISPLAY: HISTORIC HOMES AND GREAT ESTATES**

October 17-18, 2008

Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens, Akron, Ohio

The Stan Hywet Symposium:

The Stan Hywet Symposium was initiated in 2007 as a forum for the study and discussion of a diverse range of historical, architectural, and preservation issues. It is a collaborative effort through The University of Akron, Kent State University and Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens to address such issues for both scholarly and public audiences. Symposium lectures take place at the historic Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens in West Akron, Ohio and include personalized tours and intimate gatherings. The symposium expects to bring together over 200 participants from all areas of the region for two days of programming and networking.

Symposium Theme: On Display: Historic Homes and Great Estates

The Industrial Revolution changed the face of American society forever. The 2008 Stan Hywet Symposium – *On Display: Historic Homes and Great Estates* will explore the unique components of the Industrial Revolution and the ensuing Gilded Age. America's new "self-made men" constructed monuments to their new-found riches and their country house estates remain a testament to a unique period of American history. The first annual Stan Hywet Symposium will examine the cultural, architectural and social history of this significant phenomenon in American history as well as significant efforts in preserving this history for future generations.



The symposium tracks are tied to three focus areas of change and challenge:

- ***History***
Specific attention will be given to presentations focused on the Industrial Revolution and Gilded Age. We welcome new research in these fields as well as proposals presenting history in innovative and engaging manners. We also encourage proposals focused on historic homes and gardens and their impact in American society.

- ***Architecture***
All areas of architecture and architectural history will be considered. Of particular interest will be proposals dealing with Industrial Era and Gilded Age architecture.

- ***Historic Preservation***
Successful proposals will include all elements of the field of historic preservation, sustainability, methodology, changing techniques, and challenges. Areas of innovation and change as well as public education are encouraged.

While we encourage presentations applicable to one of the three focus areas, the Symposium Programming Committee will review and consider alternate program submissions.

Presentation Requirements

All presenters should complete the Presentation Submission Form with contact information, a brief biography of each presenter, and topic description. The Presentation Submission Form can be downloaded by [clicking here](#). The number of presenters for each program proposal should be one to three. Refer to the enclosed Presentation Submission Guidelines for additional requirements. Presentation Submission Forms must be submitted by mail or e-mail to Mark J. Heppner's attention as listed below.

Timeline:

Deadline for Submissions: **5:00pm on April 2, 2008**

Notification of Selections: **April 30, 2008**

[Click here for Presentation Submission Guidelines](#)

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