



# AFRICA & MUSEUM TRAINING: CONTINENTAL AND GLOBAL VIEWS

In co-operation with IZIKO MUSEUMS, AFRICOM and SAMA, South African Museums Association

*“It is imperative  
that museum trainers abroad and  
those in Africa pool their expertise together  
so as to ensure cross-fertilization of ideas,  
exposure to new techniques and initiatives  
and the development of relationships  
that will enhance the  
course of museums globally.”*

EMMANUEL ARINZE, ICOM Study Series, 2002

Museum workers around the world enter the museum community by many different routes and with many different kinds of education and training. Learning opportunities for increasing museum knowledge and skills are often available at different stages throughout their career.

ICOM-ICTOP, the International Committee for the Training of Personnel is concerned primarily with museum-specific knowledge and skills for museum workers of all kinds, and in the excellence and accessibility of training opportunities for workers around the world.

During this meeting in South Africa, participants will look at the variety of programs which are available to Africans and under what conditions those programs are accessible to African museum workers. Workshops will create a template of the range of training possibilities and examine the training issues for African museum workers with a view to identifying ICTOP's future plans.

## CONFERENCE DETAILS

### IZIKO MUSEUMS OF CAPE TOWN

25 Queen Victoria Street  
Cape Town 8001  
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Our host is Prof. Henry C 'Jatti' Bredekamp.  
[www.iziko.org.za](http://www.iziko.org.za)



SUN 8th — TUE 10th OCTOBER 2006

Our patron is Alissandra Cummins, President of ICOM.

Registration by latest September 15, 2006. Conference fee: €175.  
Please see registration form for details.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON ICTOPs WEBSITE:

<http://ictop.f2.fhtw-berlin.de/>

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ICTOP delegates may wish to extend their trip to include:

AFRICOM TRIENNIAL MEETING October 4-7, 2006.

International Conference Centre Cape Town, South Africa Cape Town.

In partnership with SAMA.

Information available at [www.africom.museum](http://www.africom.museum)

## ACCOMMODATION

NOTE: Accommodation arrangements are to be made directly with the hotel. A block of 20 rooms has been reserved at the Cape Town Hollow Boutique Hotel until the 31st August 2006. Please state your attendance at the ICTOP conference.

### CAPE TOWN HOLLOW BOUTIQUE HOTEL

88 Queen Victoria Street  
Gardens, Cape Town 8001  
Tel: +27-21-423 1260  
Fax: +27-21-423 2088  
[www.capetownhollow.co.za](http://www.capetownhollow.co.za)  
Email: [reservation@capetownhollow.co.za](mailto:reservation@capetownhollow.co.za)



3 Minutes walking distance to the museum.

Date of arrival: 7 October 2006

Date of departure: 11 October 2006

Rate for one person per room incl breakfast: ZAR 595 for one night

Rate for two persons per room incl breakfast: ZAR 890 for one night

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**DAY 1: OCTOBER 8**

**MORNING:**

- Introductions and Keynote Speaker(s)
- Program outline

**AFTERNOON:**

- Workshop on African Programs & Current Training & Learning Opportunities
- Papers on specific topics
- Discussion on The Training and Development Map (range and provision of training opportunities): General, Africa specific, What is not available in Africa? (topics and kinds of training)

**QUESTIONS:**

- What kinds of training programs are offered and what is planned?
- How many workers are able to participate and at what cost?
- What kinds of learning opportunities are missing for Africans?

**DAY 2: OCTOBER 9**

**MORNING:**

- Workshop on African Training Needs and Issue
- Papers
- Discussion on Issues: what is needed and by whom

**QUESTIONS:**

- What are the training issues in Africa? What are the barriers to training and development for African museum professionals and workers?
- What is working and is not working for museum training?

**AFTERNOON:**

- Information from Surveys on Intangible Heritage and ICTOP's ICOM Survey of National and International Committees that is relevant to current meeting (Reports will be available in preliminary if not final form)
- Discussion of Strategies, Responsibilities and Collaboration

**QUESTIONS:**

- Is there collaboration? If not how can it be built?
- Has enough knowledge been gained at these sessions to be able to formulate strategies?
- What are the priorities for museum training in Africa?
- Who can take responsibility for addressing them?
- What can ICTOP contribute in Africa and elsewhere to improve the situation?

**ICTOP Annual Business Meeting (4:00 PM)**

**DAY 3: OCTOBER 10**

Excursion Day & closing Conference Dinner.

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## CALL FOR PAPERS

**Papers may be proposed on the following topics and may be specific to Africa or take an international perspective:**

- African training programs: description, accessibility, cost, numbers, problems, and successes
- Issues in the training of African museum workers
- Innovative training programs and new methodologies
- Training in intangible heritage
- Making the most effective use of training
- What training do museums want?
- What training do individuals want?
- Creating “culture-friendly” training

Papers should be 15 minutes in length for presentation; they may be up to 8 pages in length in printed form. Please submit an abstract (max. 500 words) describing the paper with title, theme, its relationship to the topics above.

If accepted, it is expected that speakers will print the full text or bring an electronic version so that copies may be made for the participants and posted on the ICTOP website.

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**Please reply as soon as possible and no later than July 20** so you can be notified of acceptance.

**Please submit to:**

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Lois Irvine [irvinel@fcl.com](mailto:irvinel@fcl.com)

A Committee will be established to review abstracts and program, and will include African representatives.

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Financial Support is not available to most speakers. Four bursaries are available to assist Africans already attending AFRICOM with other funds. These bursaries will provide registration, accommodation and meals for the ICTOP meeting period.

Letters of invitation are available from Lois Irvine (email above) to assist the Visa Process. These letters will be in English and will be issued on request.

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