

SA ICOMOS Christmas Drinks & Talk

Friday 6 December 2013



Please come along to hear an engaging talk by Associate Professor Neale Draper of Australian Cultural Heritage Management titled 'Recording Traditional Aboriginal Cultural Values in Urban Cultural Heritage Management – the Adelaide Experience'. Neale's talk will be an expanded version of his highly praised short presentation at the recent National Conference in Canberra.

The practice of cultural heritage management often errs on the side of the material over the intangible – the less obvious or physical dimensions of heritage. A heavy dependence on archaeology and architecture in the management and interpretation of the past may obscure or dilute understandings and interpretations of Aboriginal cultural knowledge and the meaning of place, as do general preconceptions of Aboriginal heritage as rural and remote from the cityscape. In urban contexts, Aboriginal culture and attachments to place are often thought of as being somehow less 'valid' or 'valuable' by being removed from perceived locales of the 'traditional' or the 'authentic,' sometimes with serious implications for the recognition and responsible management of these cultural heritage values. This trend is explored through examples from the Adelaide metropolitan area.

Neale's talk will be followed by a remarkable 12 minute DVD on the Havelli restoration at grass roots community level, in Rajasthan India, a truly inspirational community conservation effort. Be dazzled by Indian colour and music!!

Date & Time: Friday 6 December 2013, 5:30-7:30 pm

Venue: Institute of Architects, 100 Flinders Street, Adelaide

Cost: \$10 Australia ICOMOS members, students and concession; \$15 non-ICOMOS members, includes wine, non-alcoholic drinks and nibbles; payment on the night in cash only please

RSVP: By 3 December to help us with catering requirements, to SA Australia ICOMOS Rep, Deborah Lindsay at deborah_lindsay@hotmail.com

