



## PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP - CAC OTTAWA 2010

Canadian Association for Conservation of Cultural Property

### Identification and Care of Plastics in Museum Collections

In partnership with the Canada Science and Technology Museum  
and the Canadian Conservation Institute

**Duration:** Two day workshop: Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**Time:** 9 am

**Location:** Canada Science and Technology Museum

**Language:** The language of instruction will be English

**Number of participants:** Maximum 20

**Fees:** Four (4) student places will be held at \$120.00. Regular fee: CAC members \$200.00;  
Non-members \$300.00

**Deadline for application:** Registration is open to those responsible for, or interested in the preservation of plastics in collections. Applications will be accepted until the workshop is full.

**Transportation:** A bus will be available to transport participants between the conference hotel (Delta Ottawa Hotel and Suites) and the Canada Science and Technology Museum.

#### **Description:**

This workshop is intended for conservators who need to preserve plastics in their care. Through lectures, lab work, and guided study tours of the museum collection, participants will learn the basics of composition, identification, and degradation of plastics, with an emphasis on plastics most commonly encountered in museum collections and those which are most likely to degrade or to damage other objects in the collection (malignant plastics). Using a selection of objects subjected to previous treatments, passive and active conservation strategies including appropriate storage conditions, monitoring, cleaning and repairing will be discussed. At the end of the workshop, participants should have the best available tools and knowledge to enable them to provide care for their plastics.

#### **Instructors:**

**Sue Warren** is Manager of the Conservation Division of the Canada Science and Technology Museum and has worked with the collection as a Conservator for over 21 years. She has extensive experience with the treatment of historic plastics, and with the long term preservation of these materials. She has lectured and given workshops, and regularly instructs interns as part of her responsibilities.

**Scott Williams**, Senior Conservation Scientist at the Canadian Conservation Institute has been analyzing and studying the causes and prevention of degradation of plastics in museums for 30 years. On more than fifty occasions he has conducted workshops and seminars, lectured at conferences and published papers on the degradation and preservation of plastic museum objects or the selection of suitable plastic products for conservation applications.



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**REGISTRATION FORM**

Last name\*: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name\*: \_\_\_\_\_  
Affiliation\*: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**\* as it should appear on your name tag**

**Identification and Care of Plastics in Museum Collections**

\$200 Member     \$300 Non-member     \$120 Student    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment:** Canadian funds only. Personal cheque, bank draft or money order payable to "CAC/ACCR". Credit cards also accepted.

MasterCard     VISA    Credit Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Confidentiality Policy:** I agree to have my personal coordinates included on the list of participants which will be distributed to all workshop participants.     Yes     No

*Refund Policy: Requests must be made in writing before May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010, and faxed to 613 231-4406 . A \$ 25 administration fee will be charged.*

*Member: To benefit from members' rates, membership fees must be paid for the year 2010.*

*Non-member: Contact the Association via the website [www.cac-accr.ca](http://www.cac-accr.ca) for more information on CAC membership.*

*Student: Send a valid proof of status (i.e. photocopy of student card).*

**Send total payment and completed registration form, by mail (allow at least 10 days) or fax, to:**

**Fax: (613) 231-4406**

**Mail: CAC Ottawa 2010, 207 Bank Street Suite 419, Ottawa ON K2P 2N2**

**Web Site: <http://www.cac-accr.ca/english/e-CAC-conference.asp>**

**Please answer the questions below.**

What is your area of specialization? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your job involve the treatment of heritage objects?     Yes     No

How often are you confronted with the care and/or treatment of historic plastics? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you in private practice?     Yes     No

If not, what is the name of your employer/institution? \_\_\_\_\_

If a student, please give program, institution and year of graduation. \_\_\_\_\_

How will you transfer the information and skills you acquire in the workshop to others? \_\_\_\_\_

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