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APOYOnline 5th Regional Conference:
Sustainable Connections for Cultural Heritage
Panama City, PANAMA
June 30th to July 4th, 2025

CALL FOR PAPERS and POSTERS

APOYOnline- Association for Heritage Preservation of the Americas Inc., is pleased to announce the **APOYOnline 5th Regional Conference** from **June 30th to July 4th, 2025**, **in person and virtual format**. The theme of the event is *"Sustainable Connections for Cultural Heritage"* .

The program will have three main components: 1) panels with experts, students and emerging professionals on pertinent topics in cultural heritage; 2) oral presentations and posters; and 3) professional development workshops offered by a team of international experts. The conference will be in hybrid format (in person and virtual) and will include panels with experts, oral presentations and posters, networking opportunities, sponsors and manufacturers exhibit hall and technical visits to significant cultural institutions in Panama City. Onsite workshops about photographic conservation and risk management/disaster management will include theoretical modules, practical exercises, and emergency drills. Virtual workshops may include subjects such as writing scholarly papers, leadership skills, communication and team building, and community engagement, among others. Upon conference registration, participants will be able to sign up for three (3) workshops (space is limited in each workshop) included in the registration fee and will receive a certificate for each workshop attended.

APOYOnline will offer grants, especially to students and emerging professionals to attend the conference and workshops (both in person and virtual). More details below.
The Conference languages will be Spanish, Portuguese and English.

Oral and poster presentations will be in the author's preferred language. The Conference and Workshops will be offered in Spanish, Portuguese, and English, with simultaneous interpretation when possible.

Call to submit papers/posters:

Authors/Participants interested in sharing their work through presentations or posters at the 5th Regional Conference may submit an abstract related to one of the four themes of the Conference:
1. Climate Change and Collections at Risk
2. Community Engagement and Connections
3. Innovation and Trends
4. Education & Training

Abstracts can be submitted in Portuguese, Spanish or English. Deadline for abstract submission: **October 30, 2024.**

Authors/participants may select the option of presenting either a paper or a poster. An international Scientific/Selection Committee nominated by APOYOnline, and consisting of professionals from the field of cultural heritage preservation, will make the final selection.

Authors/participants who prefer to present through a poster format, will have an opportunity to briefly present their work during Poster Sessions throughout the Conference.

Selected authors/participants for papers/posters will be informed by email by **December 10th, 2024.**

Required materials for abstract submissions:

- Submission **form:** All authors/participants must submit a completed call for paper/poster submission form (Link below)**. If a group is preparing a submission, please submit the name of the primary contact.**

- Submit **abstract** for oral presentation or poster of 500 words or less related to one of the topics of the Conference. Abstracts must contain a brief description of the topic, objectives, methodology used, and advances/conclusions obtained or expected. The file submitted should not exceed 1MB and must be uploaded via the link in the submission form.

- **For students only:**
  1. Submit a signed letter from the institution where you are studying.
  2. Submit a curriculum vitae (CV), maximum 3 pages, uploaded through the link with the submission form. (The file should not exceed 1MB, please do not include photographs).
  3. Submit a Letter of Interest via the Submission Form: Demonstrate in 500 words or less how your participation in the Conference will contribute to your career and how you will share and disseminate the knowledge obtained during the Conference.

PAPER/POSTER SUBMISSION FORM: CLICK HERE

Grants

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Important dates:

Deadline for paper/poster submissions	October 30, 2024
Notification of selected papers/posters	December 10, 2024
Notification of grant recipients	December 10, 2024
Conference Panels, Paper Presentations, and Poster Sessions submission (FINAL version)	March 1, 2025
General Conference Early Bird Registration	April 1 - May 1, 2025
General Conference Standard Registration	May 2 - June 15, 2025

For more information on the Conference, Workshops, Registration Fees, and the "*Manos a la Obra*" Initiative visit our website:

https://apoyonline.org/programs/apoyonline-regional-conferences/2025-panama-city-panama/

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APOYOnline Conference Organizing Committee