

# **Society of American Archivists Cultural Property Working Group: Annual Report**

**Date Submitted:** December 20, 2012

**Officers:**

- Jeannette Bastian, Co-Chair
- Marisol Ramos, Co-Chair

**Report from Annual Meeting:**

*Number of attendees:* 8

*Appointment Results:*

- Jennifer R. O'Neal, Co-Chair
- Kelvin White, Co-Chair

*Summary of meeting activities:* Meeting Minutes Attached (by Marisol Ramos)

**Completed projects/activities:**

- None

**Ongoing projects/activities:**

- A Culture Heritage Bibliography that focuses on archival aspects of this topic and that is organized by topic. The Bibliography will include - to the extent possible - already existing case studies. Annotation of this Bibliography will not be a priority in the coming year.

- Updated Web Resources Page/Social Media and Networking Initiative:

The group will be developing our website as a Resource Page as a go-to place for resource information for SAA members and non-members about archives and cultural heritage issues. The following information and sections will be added : current and upcoming conferences, major national/international initiatives within the archives and other allied professions, blog on recent conferences or initiatives, links to resources (ie. WIPO, UNESCO, established guidelines by other professions, etc.), and a bibliography.

- A Guide to Case Studies that points to existing studies and adds to these as appropriate.

- Reconsideration of the Cultural Framework as a way to organize information shared by the Working Group
- Identification of gaps in the SAA Glossary with respect to terms important to cultural heritage sensitivity and responsibility.
- Resubmit a proposal for a session at the 2013 meeting of the SAA.

**New projects/activities:**

- Statement on Cultural Property and possible guidelines. It is possible that a statement now being prepared by IFLA's Indigenous Matters Special Interest Group will serve this purpose.

**Strategic Priority - Diversity initiatives:**

See attached Strategic Priorities Assigned Report for full details.

**Questions/concerns for Council attention:**

See attached Strategic Priorities Assigned Report for Council Action