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The International Association of Archaeologists of the Caribbean (IACA) and the City Historian’s Office of Havana City announce for all the archaeologists and professionals doing research in Caribbean archaeology the 23rd International Congress on Caribbean Archaeology which will be held from the 19th to 26th July 2009 in Havana City, Cuba.

The following topics will be dealt with during the congress: New theoretical and methodological contributions to the study of Pre-Columbian cultures; Pre-agricultural and agricultural societies, new findings and interpretations; research on Pre-Columbian technologies; interpretation and reconstruction of every day's life in the Caribbean Pre-Columbian societies; migrations, contact, interaction, transculturation and adaptation models in the pre-colonial and colonial periods; Caribbean archaeology and ethnohistory; physical anthropology, genetic and hereditary studies of human groups; taphonomic studies in archaeology; pre-Columbian cave art and furnishings; historical archaeology, new theoretical-methodological contributions, findings and interpretations; archaeology in the study of slavery, resistance, abolition and emancipation; urban archaeology, studies, findings and interpretations; archaeology of architecture; research on historical technologies; mural painting: a resource for the archaeological research on historic buildings; preservation and restoration of archaeological evidence; subaquatic archaeology, new studies and findings; social archaeology in the Caribbean; research on archaeozoology and archaeobotany; archaeometry; industrial archaeology; research on sugar cane, coffee plantations and others; management of archaeological heritage in the Caribbean; public archaeology, museums and collections; theory in archaeology; historical research at the service of archaeology; archaeology in the digital era; archaeology of contemporary time; archaeological experiences in Caribbean places which are World Heritage Sites.

Participation sought through proposals for conferences, posters, documentaries or videos, workshops or round tables. Requirements for participation: Every speaker must present an original, unpublished work relevant to the topics included and to those related to the Caribbean archaeological region. The summary of the papers will be sent in digital format (Microsoft Word file), in Spanish, English or French before 31st October. The
full text of the papers should not exceed 10 pages and will be sent completely before 31st March 2009 to facilitate the appropriate translation and ensure its participation. The authors are required to indicate the audiovisual media needed for the presentation. The authors are required to enclose a brief CV to the papers. The papers should be sent to: roura@arq.patrimonio.ohc.cu or eventos@viajessancristobal.cu.

In order to facilitate assistance for the event, we have prepared a tourist package which can be acquired through us and will have San Cristóbal as the incoming travel agency, email: eventos@viajessancristobal.cu. The Organising Committee will be thankful to any institution, agency, press media or people publishing this announcement and making it accessible to universities, schools, NGOs and others related to the topics announced herewith. Registration applications will be sent to the Organising Committee via email; email: eventos@viajessancristobal.cu

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