

# The Association for Industrial Archaeology

## Spring Tour - SIA Conference, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan

28<sup>th</sup> May – 6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> June 2012

### **An unmissable opportunity to see the industrial history of the mid-west.**

The trip is a little longer than usual for an AIA tour but to make the longer air journey worthwhile it makes sense to spend more time at our destination.

Before the conference the tour will include :

- A unique tour of Madison, Indiana, a beautiful and historic small industrial city, boasting one of America's largest National Historic Landmark Districts set in the scenic Ohio River Valley with many fascinating sites. We will visit:
  - The Schroeder Saddletree Factory, the only surviving saddletree manufactory in the US. This 19thC gem is packed with belt powered machinery which produced 500,000 wooden frames for riding saddles and was the subject of a project which has won several national and state preservation awards
  - The steepest standard gauge line haul track in the US, part of the first railroad west of the Allegheny mountains. The track was installed in a cutting through 400 foot high bluffs in the late 1830s and rises over 413 foot in 7,012 feet
  - The Madison-Milton Bridge of 1929 which connects Madison, IN with Milton, KY spanning the Ohio River and is over 3,180 feet long. A \$110 million bridge replacement project for this historic span is underway which will feature a "bridge slide" method to install the new span on top of reinforced existing piers. The engineering company believes this will be the biggest "bridge slide" ever attempted in the Western Hemisphere and we plan to include a specially organised talk about the project by the chief engineer
- A specially organised visit to Columbus, Indiana, a surprising community known around the world for its collection of work by renowned architects and landscape architects ranked amongst the best in the US for architectural innovation and design by the American Institute of Architects. We also plan to include:
  - The Cummins high horsepower plant (where they produce their new 4,000 hp diesel engine)
  - The early 20<sup>th</sup> C Medora Brick Kilns once producing 54,000 hand-made bricks per day
  - An historic hand-tool manufacturer, a 19th C mill and a look at some unique historic bridges

The annual conference of the Society for Industrial Archaeology is to be held in Cincinnati this year and will be made up of :

- A day of excursions organised by the SIA to a choice of sites including: the Old River Pumping Station (a mecca for stationary steam enthusiasts), the GE jet engine facility, a steel mill and paper making on the Miami River
- An evening film festival at Cincinnati's grandiose Masonic Center
- A full day of research paper presentations
- An evening banquet at the Cincinnati Historical Museum in the art deco splendour of the Union Terminal
- A Sunday morning walking tour in Cincinnati

After the conference we will take in :

- The USAF aviation museum at Dayton, Ohio – the largest in the world!
- A specially arranged guided tour of Detroit by Dr Charles Hyde, academic, author and historian of the automotive industry who will show us some of the former glory of this great industrial city. The tour will include:
  - The Near East Riverfront, the historic site of much of Detroit’s earliest industries including shipbuilding, marine engine manufacturing and pharmaceuticals
  - The Piquette plant (1904 – 10) birthplace of the model ‘T’
  - The derelict Packard complex and the Ford Highland Park plant - site of the first moving assembly line – these two being amongst architect Albert Kahn’s earliest industrial buildings
- A day at the Henry Ford Museum including “Driving America”, just opened, a completely new launch of their automotive exhibits. Optionally members can also include the Rouge Factory Tour to see the truck assembly plant and other attractions.
- An optional extra day at Dearborn where members can visit Greenfield Village a huge collection of historic artefacts and buildings collected by Henry Ford including examples of Newcomen and Watt engines collected from the UK, an operating steam-powered rail line and an 1800s small-town train depot, paired with the chance to investigate the only working late 19th-century roundhouse in the Midwest.

I am indebted to Ron Petrie and other members of the SIA who are giving a great deal of help with planning this itinerary and who are looking forward with enthusiasm to welcoming an AIA group at their conference.

The tour is open to non AIA members.

Our itinerary is as follows :

#### Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May

Group assembles in the evening at the Holiday Inn, Cincinnati Northern Kentucky Airport.

Overnight at the hotel

#### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May

Early departure by coach to Madison, Indiana for a full day of site visits led by John Staicer, President of the Historic Madison Foundation. Lunch included.

Late afternoon departure for Columbus, Indiana.

Overnight at Hotel Indigo, Columbus, Indiana

#### Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May

Full day of visits in and around Columbus led by Bill McNiece of the Wabash and Ohio Chapter of the SIA. Lunch included.

Overnight at Hotel Indigo, Columbus, Indiana

#### Thursday 31st May

Visits in and around Columbus led by Bill McNiece. Lunch included.

Afternoon departure for Cincinnati to arrive in time for the Opening Reception of the SIA Conference. Evening meal included.

Overnight at the conference hotel, The Hilton Cincinnati, Netherland Plaza

### Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Choice of full-day tours in and around Cincinnati. Lunch included.

Tour 1: Upriver Cincinnati, including Old River Pumping Station and Lunken Airport.

Tour 2: Downtown Cincinnati, including flood control facilities and underground sites.

Tour 3: Suburban Industry, including both historic and modern manufacturing sites.

Tour 4: Northern Kentucky, including steel and sausage making.

Tour 5: Paper Trail, historic and modern paper making in the Great Miami Valley.

Tour 6: Countryside, old and new industry in the picturesque Little Miami Valley.

*Please enter your 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> choice on the booking form. Numbers are limited on all tours so the earlier you get your booking in then the greater chance you have of getting your first choice.*

Evening: The SIA Film Festival at the Masonic Center

Overnight at the conference hotel, The Hilton Cincinnati, Netherland Plaza

### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Full day of research paper presentations. Lunch included.

Evening, optional: Banquet at the Historical Museum in the art deco splendour of the Union Terminal.

Overnight at the conference hotel, The Hilton Cincinnati, Netherland Plaza

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Morning, optional: Choice of short walking tours in Cincinnati

Afternoon: Depart for the Carillon Park, Dayton, Ohio including the Wright Brothers exhibit

Overnight at the Dayton Grand Hotel

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June

Morning: USAF Museum, Dayton

Afternoon: Depart for Detroit Michigan

Overnight at the Dearborn Inn, Michigan

### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Full day guided tour of Detroit lead by Charles Hyde. Lunch included

Overnight at the Dearborn Inn, Michigan

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Visit to The Henry Ford Museum. Extra cost option to include the Ford Rouge Factory Tour.

Late afternoon depart for Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport in time to catch evening flights

### Optional extension

Additional overnight at the Dearborn Inn, Michigan

Transfer and entry at own expense to Greenfield Village Districts and Buildings

Transfer at own expense for onward travel arrangements

## ACCOMMODATION

The tour uses 4 star hotels in down town locations (except at Cincinnati airport) which have their own restaurants but also conveniently located for other bars and restaurants within walking distance. All have internet access and lifts to upper floors. All rooms have two "Queen" size beds (5ft), en-suite facilities and TV

## DINING

Breakfast is included with all overnight stays. A light lunch is included on 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> May, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> June, this may be a 'box lunch' on some days. An evening meal is included on 31<sup>st</sup> May.

## TRANSPORT

The tour starts in Cincinnati, Ohio and ends in Detroit, Michigan.

We leave you to make your own travel arrangements to suit your own convenience and use of alternative departure points. Cincinnati North Kentucky Airport is a regional hub and there are frequent flights by multiple airlines to there from the UK via one other place, but none direct. Delta operate a direct evening flight from Detroit to London Heathrow, many other airlines operate indirect flights. Travel during the tour will be by luxury, air-conditioned coach.

## COST

The cost of the main tour includes 9 nights' bed and breakfast accommodation (which includes the conference accommodation); meals as indicated above; all entrance fees; all coach travel; guiding and tour management while in the US; research for the visit and tour notes.

Costs are dependent on the number travelling. There is a minimum of 12 people but we are confident that we will reach more than the minimum number as booking is also being opened to members of the SIA.

The cost for the tour will be between £930 and a maximum of £1,210 per person sharing with a £410 single supplement. Those who wish to share are responsible for finding the person to share with.

Costs for the optional elements are:

Ford Rouge Factory Tour:	£10
Additional night at Dearborn Hotel:	£88

In addition, we are able to act as agent for the SIA in collecting conference fees, the costs are :

Registration:	SIA member:	£183.00
	non-SIA member:	£216.00 (which includes 1 year SIA membership)
Banquet (optional):		£40.00
Sunday morning tour (optional):		£20.00

We have endeavoured to obtain the best rates we can for coach travel and accommodation, given the grade of hotel and we believe the cost represents excellent value for money.

Prices are based on present accommodation and transport costs, exchange rates and other taxes. Any change in these may necessitate a price change.

## **CANCELLATION CHARGES, HEALTH & INSURANCE**

Please note that cancellation charges will apply from 1st April and, although these will be modified to the extent that costs are not actually incurred, you are strongly advised to insure against the need to cancel and particularly to cover medical treatment and repatriation charges in the event of illness etc. Participants who do not have travel insurance must nevertheless accept full responsibility for these eventualities. There are no special health formalities for entry into the United States.

*If you do not already have travel insurance suitable for the United States then you may like to contact Avanti Travel Insurance, who specialise in providing cover for older travellers and those with medical conditions, both single-trip and annual policies, quoting reference "Heritage of Industry" for a competitive quote.*

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Telephone: 01376 560800

## **PASSPORTS, VISAS & IMMIGRATION**

We anticipate that most people holding UK passports will be eligible to enter the United State under the Visa Waiver Program (VWP). However you must visit the website of the US Embassy in London <http://london.usembassy.gov/vwp.html> (or your home country) in good time before you travel to ensure that you are eligible under the program and then you must proceed to register under the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/>

If you are not eligible under the VWP then you must obtain a visa from the Embassy.

On arrival at US immigration you should be carrying a return ticket or an e-ticket and your itinerary to show that you do not intend to remain in the US.

Regular visitors to the US will know that immigration into the US can be a lengthy business, often involving standing in line for an extended period. When booking an onward flight from the point of immigration (usually the first place you touch down on US soil) you must leave sufficient time between flights – a minimum of 2 hours, 3 is better.

You should not book any travel arrangements until you hear positive confirmation from us that the tour will proceed, this will be by 31<sup>st</sup> March at the latest.

Heritage of Industry Ltd cannot be held responsible for problems associated with entry into the United States.

## BOOKING

Booking and management of this tour has been entrusted to Heritage of Industry Ltd which is run by Paul Saulter and Bill Barksfield. Bill has taken over from Paul on the AIA Council as Overseas Tour organiser and will accompany the tour. All bookings should be made on the attached form and will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to room availability. Booking is subject to a minimum of 12 people. Book as soon as possible and **by 24<sup>th</sup> March** to ensure a place **but please feel free to enquire after that date if a place is still available**. We will contact you as soon as possible to confirm the booking and to issue an invoice for the balance of the price.

A non-refundable deposit of £100 per person is required on booking. Bookings can be made definite only when the booking form and deposit are received and accepted in writing by Heritage of Industry Ltd. The company's standard terms and conditions apply. The balance of the price is to be paid to Heritage of Industry Ltd on presentation of the invoice. All monies paid to Heritage of Industry Ltd will be held, in accordance with government regulations, in a customer protection account until the tour is complete.

**Enquiries about this tour** should be directed to Bill Barksfield, Operations Director, Heritage of Industry Ltd, Hunters Moon, Gorelands Lane, Chalfont St Giles, Bucks HP8 4HQ Tel/Fax: +44 1494 873677

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Bill Barksfield

30<sup>th</sup> January 2012

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Journeys into the Industrial Past



## BOOKING FORM

**AIA SPRING TOUR USA 28th May - 6<sup>th</sup>/7th June 2012**

*Please print out and complete this form in block letters.*

PLEASE RETURN BY 24<sup>th</sup> March 2012 **but please enquire after that date for available places**

To: Heritage of Industry Ltd, Hunters Moon, Gorelands Lane, Chalfont St Giles, Bucks HP8 4HQ

**NAME:**

**TELEPHONE**

**Day:**

**ADDRESS:**

**Evening:**

**Mobile:**

**Email:**

**I WISH TO BOOK** (subject to availability) ..... place(s)  
on the AIA Spring Tour to the USA, 28th May – 6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> June 2012

The names of the other members of my party are:

**Hotel accommodation:** ..... single room(s) ..... twin room(s)

**Conference registration:** ..... SIA member(s) ..... Non-SIA member(s)

Optional Conference Banquet: ..... places

Optional Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June morning tour: ..... place(s)

Preference for Friday Tour: 1<sup>st</sup> choice: ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> choice: ..... 3<sup>rd</sup> choice: .....

Optional Ford Rouge Factory Tour, 6<sup>th</sup> June: ..... place(s)

Optional additional night at Dearborn Hotel night of 6<sup>th</sup> June: ..... single room(s) ..... twin room(s)

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS** (e.g. Dietary. Please give details):

**I am making payment of £** ..... (non-returnable deposit of £100 each for ..... persons)

{ By direct transfer to HSBC, Penn Road, Beaconsfield Branch Code: 40-09-29 Account: 41352261  
BIC: MIDL GB 22 IBAN: GB60MIDL40092941352261 Using reference: *Your surname* }

{ By the enclosed cheque, payable to Heritage of Industry Ltd } *delete as required*

**I heard about this tour:** Previous client / Recommended by friend / AIA / SIA / Newcomen /  
Local IA Group / H of I Newsletter or email / Web search

I have read the terms and conditions which are accepted by me on behalf of all the persons named above. We agree to your maintaining such records as are appropriate to this and other tours and understand that the information will only be released to those involved with the organisation of these tours or used to inform me about other events. I will make arrangements to cover all medical and repatriation expenses and will ensure that I have all necessary documents for entry to the United States.

**SIGNATURE:**

**Date:**

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## Journeys into the Industrial Past



### Terms and Conditions

1. Heritage of Industry Ltd undertakes tours on the basis of these terms and conditions, which, read with the booking form and the information accompanying it, set out the full terms of your agreement with Heritage of Industry Ltd ('the Company'). No variation can be accepted unless made in writing and signed by the Company.
2. Bookings can only be made definite when the completed booking form plus the deposit specified on the booking form is received and accepted in writing by the Company. The deposit is not refundable.
3. The balance of the tour price must be received by the Company not later than 8 weeks before the first day of the tour or as specified in the booking arrangements failing which the booking may be cancelled and cancellation charges (equivalent to the amount of deposit) levied.
4. In the event that the booking is made less than 8 weeks before the first day of the tour then the full amount of the tour price will need to be paid immediately.
5. In the event that you wish to cancel your booking, you must notify the Company in writing. If the notification of cancellation is received by the Company more than 8 weeks before the first day of the tour then only the deposit will be forfeit. If the notice is received less than 8 weeks before the first day of the tour the following charges will apply: 6 to 8 weeks, 50% of the tour price; 4 to 6 weeks, 75% of the tour price; 4 weeks and under, 100% of the tour price. No refund at all will be given for any cancellation on or after the first day of the tour or for any meals, trips or other facilities not used or taken.
6. The Company will make every effort to operate the tour as confirmed to you. However, the Company reserves the right to cancel or vary any aspect of the tour should this become necessary due to any circumstances beyond the Company's reasonable control such as war, political unrest, industrial action, exceptionally inclement weather or other circumstances amounting to force majeure, or any other circumstances which in the opinion of the Company require the cancellation or variation of the tour. In the event of cancellation, you will be notified immediately and offered either an alternative comparable tour or a refund of all monies paid as appropriate.
7. The Company does not own or operate any of the means of transport you will be using or the hotels, restaurants, buildings or other sites that you will be staying at or visiting. Accordingly, the Company cannot accept any liability whatsoever for any loss injury or damage that may occur or that you or those accompanying you may suffer as a result of any negligence or breach of contract or failure to perform any other duty by any owner employee servant or agent of any such means of transport, hotel, restaurant, building or other site.
8. The Company also cannot accept any responsibility for any loss damage or personal injury howsoever arising suffered by you or those accompanying you whilst on any tour unless such loss damage or personal injury is the direct result of negligence by the Company itself.
9. In the event that you have any complaint in connection with the management or operation of any hotel, restaurant or other premises which are on part of the tour organised by the Company then that complaint should be made immediately to the management of that hotel, restaurant or premises so that the complaint can, if possible, be acted upon immediately.
10. No claim or complaint that you may have against the Company can be accepted unless such claim or complaint is notified in writing to the Company within 7 days from the end of the tour.

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