

Bridging Ages, International Organization in Historic Environment Education and Time Travels Annual Report 2007

4 October 25 persons from the Bridging Ages Network had a meeting in Tukums, Latvia and decided to make the Bridging Ages network into a formal organization. A committee, elected at the seminar in Rome 2006, presented a proposal. After two-hours of discussion the by-laws of the Bridging Ages Organization was accepted and a board of seven members was elected. Champagne bottles were opened and everyone toasted for the new organization.

Vision

Bridging ages is an international organization utilizing nearby history to understand life and society of today by bridging the past with the present towards the future.

Mission

Bridging Ages is an international organization supporting and inspiring institutions such as museums, schools and heritage organizations in the development of Historic Environment Education and Time Travels

Board

President: Ebbe Westergren, Kalmar County Museum, Sweden

Vice President: Jon Hunner, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, USA

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Agrita Ozola, Tukums Museum, Latvia

Leen Joesoo, Estonian Folk Art and Craft Union, Tallinn, Estonia

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Kalmar County Museum, Sweden

Committees

Nomination committee: Nina Clark

Newsletter/ website committee: Helen Eklund, Jon Hunner

Conference committee: Gunilla Sand, Ebbe Westergren, Jon Hunner, Agrita Ozola

Board meetings

In Tukums: 6 October Skype: 11 November

Newsletters

Two Newsletters have been published, five to seven pages, May and December.

Bridging Ages International Conference in Tukums, Latvia, 4-6 October

Host and local organizer: Tukums museum

Theme: "Innovative and Creative Methods of Historic Environment Education".

Speakers: Ebbe Westergren, Jon Hunner, Lena Fritzén, Leen Joesoo, Agrita Ozola, Siguborg

Hilmarsdottir, Britt-Marie Borgström, Nina Clark and others

Time Travel to the Song Festival in Tukums 1928

80? delegates from 7 countries, 120 persons in the Time Travel

At the conference a book in English and Latvian was released: "Time Travels. Innovative and

Creative Methods of Historic Environment Education in Modern Museums", 98+94 pp.

E-mailing list

About 150 persons are on the e-mailing list, from 10 countries

The Bridging Ages Board Ebbe Westergren