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Annual Meeting and Seminar in Lund, Sweden, October 2, 2014

Approaches to Evaluating Gardens

The Annual Meeting and Seminar with Forum för trädgårdshistorisk forskning will take place at Kulturen in Lund October 2 on the theme of *Approaches to Evaluating Gardens*. Attracting increasing attention as part of our heritage, gardens are more than ever before subjects to restoration and reconstruction projects. The various ventures reflect different approaches not only on conservation, but on history, heritage and knowledge transfer. The aim of the seminar is to discuss the evaluation process in different garden contexts. The lectures are dedicated to discussions on some recent experiences on evaluating gardens in relation to conservation practices and principles. In the end of the day we will be further introduced to Kulturen's gardens and to Lundagård nearby, where the theme of the seminar will be further discussed. Our three invited speakers and their topics are:

Professor Maria Ignatieva, Department of Urban and Rural Development, SLU, Uppsala will discuss principles and results of the latest restoration of the Summer Garden, the oldest garden in St. Petersburg, founded as the summer residence of Peter the Great in 1704. The restoration, which finished in 2012, was one of the most controversial and at the same time successful and innovative, demonstrating the ability and skill of the Russian School of Historic Gardens Restoration. Maria Ignatieva will present the history of the garden and discuss the dynamics of the vegetation during three centuries.

Landscape Architect Mette Eggen, former senior adviser at the Directorate of Cultural Heritage, Norway, will elaborate on two recent reconstruction projects in Norway: the 18th century garden of the priest and scientist Jacob Nicolai Wilse at Spydeberg rectory in Østfold and the 1840s garden at the large farm Hovelsrud in Hedmark. Spydeberg had its official inauguration in connection with the constitution anniversary 2014 and Hovelsrud was rewarded the Europa Nostra price (conservation) this year. It is important to discuss these reconstruction programmes in relation to less committed restoration ventures. What are the consequences for the values of the sites?

Dr. Ing. Joachim Schnitter, garden historian and landscape architect working from Hamburg, will highlight the complexity of conserving the garden of Anton Chekhov in Yalta, planned and built by the author during his last years around 1900 and now part of a Chekhov museum. Some of the questions concerned are how to interpret the original meaning of the garden and in relation to that, evaluate its cultural values today. What is to be preserved and what is to be reconstructed and replanted? How should we react to things we do not know, the areas in the garden of which information is lacking?

We look forward to an interesting seminar and wish you very welcome!

PROGRAMME

Thursday, October 2, Kulturen in Lund, Hornbergssalen (See no 22 on the attached map. Go through the main entrance. Refer to the meeting/seminar when you come up to the desk)

- 9.30-10.15 **Annual meeting, Forum för trädgårdshistorisk forskning**
- 10.15–11.00 **Coffee and registration**
- 11.00–11.10 **Short presentation of Kulturen in Lund**
Aja Guldåker, Archaeologist, Kulturen in Lund
- 11.10-11.30 **Introduction to the seminar**
- 11.30–12.15 **On the conservation of the Garden at the Winter Palace in Saint Petersburg, Russia**
Professor Maria Ignatieva, Institutionen för stad och land, (Dep. of Urban och Rural Development), SLU, Sweden
- 12.15–13.45 **Lunch**
- 14.00–14.45 **Spydeberg and Hovelsrud. Experiences from two recent Norwegian Conservation projects**
Landscape architect Mette Eggen, former senior advisor, Riksantikvarien (Directorate for Cultural Heritage), Norway
- 14.45–15.30 **Coffee**
- 15.30–16.15 **Longing For Absence – Anton Chekhov's Garden in Yalta**
Dr. Ing. Joachim Schnitter, Hamburg, Germany
- 16.15–c. 17.00 **Concluding discussion**
- c. 17-19 **Guided tour in the gardens of Kulturen and in Lundagård**
- 19.30 **Joint dinner at restaurant in Lund (at cost price / till självkostnadspris)**

Anmälan via e-post till Aja.guldaker@kulturen.com senast den **25 september 2014**. Ange i anmälan om du har särskilda kostbehov när det gäller lunch och fika (allergier el dyl).

Deltagaravgiften är 500 kr (inkl. lunch och fika fm/em). Betala in på Forums plusgirokonto 41 14 60–9 **senast 25 september 2014**. **Glöm inte att skriva namn på inbetalningen!**

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Seminar registration: at Aja.guldaker@kulturen.com at latest on the **25 of September 2014**. Please indicate special dietary needs for fika and/or lunch (allergies or similar) at registration.

The seminar fee is SEK 500 (including lunch and refreshments AM /PM). The fee is paid to the account of Forum för trädgårdshistorisk forskning 411460-9 on the **25 of September at the latest**. **Please do not forget to indicate your name on the payment!**

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