

International Hands-on Workshops for Architectural and Site Conservation



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Giving Heritage A Helping Hand: HCN Offers Volunteer Vacation Opportunities in World Heritage Sites

Boulder, Colorado, June 5, 2009 – Travellers looking to give something back can contribute to cultural heritage preservation projects at World Heritage sites in Kenya and Albania while traveling with Heritage Conservation Network next year.

HCN's project in Lamu, Kenya, runs two weeks beginning February 7, 2010. Volunteers will help restore a historic coral rag structure and learn about other traditional, and fast disappearing, Swahili crafts.

In Albania, volunteers will be working with another traditional house form, the kullë, or tower, house in the World Heritage City of Gjirokastra. That project is scheduled for September 5-20, 2010.

Prices start at US\$1050 per person per week, double occupancy, and include lodging, most meals, instructions, insurance and a contribution towards the cost of building materials and conservation work. Information about these and other hands-on building conservation opportunities can be found at www.heritageconservation.net.

About HCN

Heritage Conservation Network is a non-profit organization that supports community-based heritage conservation efforts around the world by providing technical assistance, training, and volunteers for preservation projects. Their mission is to effect change through the power of historic preservation and save the world's architectural heritage. To learn more about HCN's international workshops, visit www.heritageconservation.net.

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