

Call for Abstracts

Special Session(s) on Fountains and Water Supply

Eighth Annual CHS Annual Conference in collaboration with the Cambridge Faculty of Architecture

Queens' College, Cambridge, 27-29 August April 2021

As in previous years, the 2021 Annual Construction History Society Conference will be held in Queens' and at this stage the committee invite abstracts on any aspect of construction history. On day 2 (Saturday) we wish to have one (or more) sessions devoted entirely to the subject Fountains and Water Supply. Possible subjects for this general call include:

Ancient or Medieval water supply	Stone fountains
Islamic Fountains	Wooden fountains
The use of iron in fountains	Bronze fountains
The development of hydraulic engineering and fountain design	The development of pumped fountains
Water lifting technology for giochi d'acqua	Urban Water supply
The tradesman and designers involved in the making of fountains	The design of urban drainage and sewerage systems
The discussion of fountains in books	Water purification and filtering

Papers will not be accepted that do not look at the history of construction but are simply descriptions of conservation projects or techniques. Nor will modern structural calculations proving historic buildings stand up.

Abstract submission

Abstracts should be 300-500 words long and should include the full names, academic affiliation or employer, a description of the subject proposed, the sources to be used, and where it fits within or how it relates to the current literature on the topic, together with address and email contact details. Submissions should be made to chs@aha.cam.ac.uk. The submission date for the abstracts is **15 October 2020**.

Process and Paper Submission

The abstracts will be peer-reviewed and the authors informed of the results by **1 November**. The final paper must be submitted by **2 April 2021**. Final papers will be 5000 words/30,000 characters and can include up to 10 images. The editors reserve the right to reject papers that do not meet the necessary standards at this stage.

Publication

Successful papers will be prepared for publication in May and printed in July. The proceedings are published as an edited book.

All final accepted papers must be presented at the conference by at least one of the authors

Papers will only be accepted by those who are prepared to pay the full registration fee (in the region of £65-100 per day) and are able to attend the conference. The conference runs from **27-29 August 2021** in Queens' College, Cambridge. If COVID-19 conditions still persist the conference will be held online on those dates. **Please do not submit an abstract if you are unable to attend.**