

Dear ACS members,

It is with great joy that we send you this call for participation in the Inaugural ACS Symposium. It took quite a bit of time to get it organized but now we are ready to go. Thank you for your patience. We hope you consider attending.

The details are below.

Cheers!

The ACS Symposium Committee

**Forum for Architecture, Culture and Spirituality (ACS) Inaugural Symposium
March 24 - 26, 2009**

Mount Angel Abbey Retreat House, St. Benedict, Oregon

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

*The **Inaugural Architecture, Culture and Spirituality Symposium** will take place March 24–26, 2009 at the Mt. Angel Abbey Retreat House, St. Benedict, (near Salem) Oregon. The symposium dates were chosen to precede the ACSA Annual Meeting in Portland Oregon, and the monastery setting for its contemplative site and architecture, which includes a library designed by Alvar Aalto*

This meeting offers the opportunity for the ACS community to share, discuss, and explore practices, pedagogies, and studies within the multifarious subject areas of architecture, culture and spirituality. We envision that the intimate size of this gathering (30 participants) will result in focused, engaging, and joyful discussions in an environment conducive to inspiring communication, learning and insight.

The Symposium will include two open sessions, two focus sessions, a workshop on sacred geometry, an ACS Membership meeting and a closing session. There will be generous free time for connecting to oneself, other people and the surroundings.

[Participation proposals are due November 15, 2008.](#)

Go to <http://faculty.arch.utah.edu/acs/symposium/> for symposium and submission details.

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"yield and overcome, bend and be straight"