

#### CONFERENCE THEME

The conservation, preservation, and re-encasement of the Charters of Freedom

The 2005 Preservation Conference focuses on the multiyear, state-of-the-art project undertaken by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to preserve and re-encase our nation's most treasured documents: the Charters of Freedom. The Charters include the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. The conference addresses issues of interest to archivists, historians, conservators, librarians, museum curators, exhibit designers, and preservation specialists.

#### TOPICS

History of the Charters of Freedom

The history of encasements for preservation storage and display

The design, fabrication, and testing of a modern encasement

The challenges of managing a multiyear interagency preservation project

What conservation staff learned during examination and treatment of the Charters

The fully accessible Rotunda and new display criteria for the Charters

Meeting the challenge to preserve the nation's best known and valued historical documents

Lessons learned, new technologies, and applications for the field

The registration fee is \$75.

Pre-registration by September 1, 2005, is encouraged.

Attendees can pay in advance by check or credit card. Please fill out this form in its entirety and mail to the address listed on this brochure. Please make your check payable to the National Archives Trust Fund (Preservation Conference).

For information on the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Preservation Conference, please contact:

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Please do not send cash by mail for pre-registration. Cash, checks, and credit cards will be accepted on the day of the conference.

No refunds will be issued after September 1, 2005.

A continental breakfast and afternoon break will be provided.

Attendees are on their own for lunch. NARA will provide a list of restaurants and eateries within a short walk of the National Archives Building.

Attendees are encouraged to use Metro or other means of mass transit as no on-site parking is available at the National Archives Building. The closest Metro stop is Archives/Navy Memorial on the Yellow/Green Line.

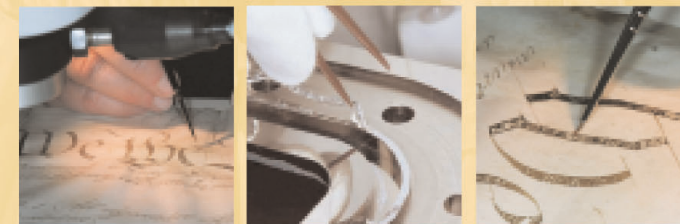
For information posted on the Internet, please visit [www.archives.gov/preservation/conference-2005.html](http://www.archives.gov/preservation/conference-2005.html).

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19th Annual Preservation Conference

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Preserving the Charters of Freedom



National Archives Building  
700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

William G. McGowan Theater

8:45 A.M. – 4:45 P.M.