







INTERNATIONAL DAY OF MONUMENTS AND SITES

Heritage of Commemoration

Memorial Mania

The heritage of war commemoration in the present age

We are currently faced with an intense rise in commemorative events of all kinds in Australia. This is associated with an equally intense increase in the construction of new war and related memorials not seen since the end of the First World War. Remarkably, these are at a time when the participants of both world wars are disappearing and direct memory and experience of wars are declining. While the national myth of Anzac is a contested part of our heritage, it still drives war commemoration in Australia and it still has sway as a generator of citizenship. This talk examines the heritage of commemoration in Australia and asks the questions; why is war commemoration on the rise and why do we still build memorials for events so long ago?

Professor John Stephens will present this fascinating and topical lecture.

The lecture will be followed by refreshments.

Where: Fremantle Artillery Barracks

Burt St, Fremantle (plenty of free parking)

When: 6PM, Wednesday 23 April, 2014

Cost: \$10 AICOMOS members, \$15 non members
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