



Louisiana classicist group to host architect responsible for US Capitol dome restoration

BATON ROUGE, La., Feb. 19, 2018- The Institute of Classical Architecture & Art Louisiana Chapter will be hosting, Robert Baird, nationally acclaimed metalwork and casting expert, for a lecture on the restoration of the U.S. Capitol dome.

During the presentation, Baird will discuss the challenges of restoring one of America's most iconic monuments prior to the presidential inauguration in 2017. The lecture will take place on March 13, 2018, at the Preservation Resource Center in New Orleans and March 14, 2018, at the Old State Capitol in Baton Rouge.

"An integral part of classical architecture is restoring buildings to recapture the beauty it once possessed," says Kevin Harris, president of ICAA LA. "Robert and his team did a masterful job, and I cannot wait to learn more about his trials and triumphs during the lecture."

Early in his career, Baird and his brothers founded Historical Arts and Castings, Inc. under the direction of their father. For over thirty years, HACI has received national recognition for its elaborate projects and craftsmanship. In January 2018, Baird retired from his position of senior vice president of operations at HACI and now travels the country giving lectures about his career and passion for restoration.

Registration for the [New Orleans](#) and [Baton Rouge](#) events are located on Eventbrite.com. Admission for members is \$35 while admission for nonmembers is \$85. The guests that pay \$85 for admission will gain a one-year membership to ICAALA.

About the Institute of Classical Architecture & Art Louisiana Chapter

The Louisiana Chapter of the Institute of Classical Architecture & Art is dedicated to advancing the practice and appreciation of classical architecture and the allied arts throughout Louisiana. ICAA LA works to preserve and rehabilitate historic architecture. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/ICAALA/>.

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The ICAA is the leading national nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the practice and appreciation of the classical tradition in architecture and the allied arts through education, publications, awards, and advocacy. For more information, visit www.classicist.org.

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