

ILAS 2013 – Conference Excursion

The Newport Mansions are a major tourist attraction in Rhode Island. Details may be found on their website at <http://www.newportmansions.org/>. The excursion to Newport will be Wednesday afternoon, and the \$25 fee includes bus transportation to and from Newport and admission into the mansion visited. Due to high demand, tickets for the excursion are almost sold out at this time, but any remaining tickets may be purchased online or at the registration desk (with cash or checks in US Dollars) while supplies last.

Attendees with tickets will have the opportunity to sign up to visit either **The Breakers** or **Rosecliff**. Two buses will be going to The Breakers, and one bus will be going to Rosecliff. If you have a preference of which mansion you'd like to visit, please let us know at the registration desk.



The Breakers

The Breakers is the grandest of Newport's summer "cottages" and a symbol of the Vanderbilt family's social and financial preeminence in turn of the century America. Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt (1794-1877) established the family fortune in steamships and later in the New York Central Railroad, which was a pivotal development in the industrial growth of the nation during the late 19th century.



Rosecliff

Commissioned by Nevada silver heiress Theresa Fair Oelrichs in 1899, architect Stanford White modeled Rosecliff after the Grand Trianon, the garden retreat of French kings at Versailles. Scenes from several films have been shot on location at Rosecliff, including *The Great Gatsby*, *True Lies*, *Amistad* and *27 Dresses*.

(descriptions and photographs courtesy of The Preservation Society of Newport County)

Tentative Schedule for the Newport Excursion

Wednesday	1:00pm	Meet buses outside of Crowne Plaza
Wednesday	2:45pm	Arrive at The Breakers or Rosecliff Explore Mansion and grounds, 90 minutes
Wednesday	4:30pm	Meet back at buses
Wednesday	5:00pm	Arrive in downtown Newport Attendees on their own for dinner
Wednesday	8:00pm	Meet back at buses
Wednesday	9:30pm	Arrive back at Crowne Plaza

After visiting the mansions, attendees will have the opportunity to visit the downtown Newport area for dinner (attendees on their own). A (very incomplete) list of some local restaurants is given below.

Some Restaurants in Downtown Newport

Black Pearl	401.846.5264	blackpearlnewport.com
Brick Alley Pub and Restaurant	401.849.6334	brickalley.com
Busker's Pub and Restaurant	401.846.5856	buskerspub.com
Fluke Wine Bar and Kitchen	401.849.7778	flukewinebar.com
Gas Lamp Grille	401.845.9300	gaslampgrille.com
Lucia Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria	401.846.4477	luciarestaurant.com
Panera Bread	401.324.6800	panerabread.com
The Barking Crab	401.846.2722	barkingcrab.com
Wharf Pub and Restaurant	401.846.9233	thewharfpub.com