

6/25/2010 REVISED SCHEDULE for ORRA Seminars

AMU/ ORRA Educational Events and CRA Exam Schedule for July 2010

The Atlanta International Area Rug Market

Thursday, July 15 - Sunday, July 18, 2010, Atlanta, GA

AmericasMart University

Contact ORRA at 804-270-3195 or orra@orrainc.com to register for events or for more information. Also see www.orrainc.com

Thursday July 15, 2010

The Atlanta International Area Rug Market opens



Friday July 16, 2010

10:00 a.m.

Conservation, Repair or Restoration?

Presenter: Thea Sand.

Building (1) Floor 4, Rm 4-B-1. Peter Stone, in his classic *Oriental Rug Repair* (1981) writes: "Conservation is preserving an object with as little change to the object as possible. The goal is to prevent further damage or deterioration. Restoration is an attempt to return an object to its original or first condition." A lively and timely discussion about what's realistic and best practice versus client expectations and cost. Before and after photos and samples to see. Attendees are encouraged to bring pictures and pieces to share.

Thea Sand, a Restoration Industry Association

Certified Rug Specialist, is President of Emmanuel's Rug and Upholstery Cleaners, and a fourth-generation expert in cleaning, repair, and restoration. Emmanuel's, which was founded by Thea's great-grandfather in 1907, has been continuously family-owned and operated in Seattle, WA for over 100 years.

Thea is an IICRC Senior Floor Covering Inspector, expert witness, appraiser and floor covering consultant since 1995. She is currently President of the Carpet Cleaners Institute of the Northwest and a board member of the National Institute of Rug Cleaners (NIRC) and a member of the Seattle Textile and Rug Society. She has facilitated technical writing in inspector certification classes at the Academy of Textiles and Flooring in Whittier CA and teaches Oriental rug repair.



Friday July 16, 2010

11:00 a.m.

Modern Renaissance in Turkish Rug Weaving and Appraising: Modern vs. Old vs. Antique Rugs from Different Countries.

Presenter: Richard Amatulli, CRA.

Building (1) Floor 4, Rm 4-B-1. Rich will discuss the modern renaissance in Turkish rug weaving from the 2nd half of the 20th Century to the present and how similar productions in other countries evolved during the same period. He will also address the appraising difficulties inherent in modern versus old versus antique rugs from the different countries.

Rich Amatulli is the Managing/Member of Amatulli & Sons, LLC a collection and evolution of three companies Turamco, Inc., Classics of Ridgefield, Inc, and Amatulli Imports, Inc, originally founded in 1968. He is a retired Colonel from the US Army, Middle East Specialist for 28 years, former professor of ME Area studies and Earth Sciences at USMA and U. of I. He has lectured and written extensively on rug weaving as an industry while establishing manufacturing, importing and retailing of Oriental rugs both abroad and in the US. He is currently Vice President of ORRA, a Certified Rug Appraiser and member of ORRA's Education Committee.

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3:00 p.m.

Walk the Market with Phil

Presenter: Phil Menendian, CRA

Building (1) Floor 4, meet in front of Rm 4-B-1 for the tour

A guided tour through select Market showrooms led by ORRA's Education Chairman Phil Menendian. This is a fun and informative tour that's a great opportunity to learn about new innovations in today's market.

Saturday, July 17

12:30 p.m.

ORRA Certified Rug Appraiser's Exam*-ORRA Tips on Proper Rug Appraisal Techniques

Presenter: Phil Menendian, CRA * Open to ORRA members only

Building (1) Floor 4, Rm 4-B-1.

Saturday, July 17

1:00 p.m.

ORRA Certified Rug Appraiser's Exam*

Phil Menendian Education Chairman of ORRA will administer this exam.

Building (1) Floor 4, Rm 4-B-1.* Open to ORRA members only.

This certification is generally accepted by the U.S. banking and court systems as well as the U.S. Customs Dept., the I.R.S. and major insurance companies. Members will be tested on historical and technical knowledge of hand-knotted rugs as well as proper identification of 40 Oriental rugs onsite.

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Saturday, July 17

4:00 p.m.

Oriental Rug Review - CRA Re-Certification*

Immediately following the CRA Exam Building (1) Floor 4, Rm 4-B-1

Discussion and examination of Oriental rugs for re-certification of the CRA.

*Current ORRA CRA's should re-certify every 5 years.