

IN CELEBRATION OF

The Harriet Tubman Centennial Project

2013 MARKS ONE HUNDRED YEARS SINCE THIS GREAT EMANCIPATOR DIED. SHE LED MANY ENSLAVED AMERICANS TO FREEDOM VIA THE “UNDERGROUND RAIL ROAD” EXPEDITIONS. WE COMMEMORATE HER WITH THE EBRARY PROJECT UNITING AMERICAN AND AFRICAN UNIVERSITIES.

WE NEED YOUR SPONSORSHIP AND YOUR SUPPORT

**THE HARRIET TUBMAN
CENTENNIAL ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN
CHALLENGE PROJECT**

The emergence of a state-of-the-art edifice to showcase the creative talent and knowledge involving architectural students from three Universities in the United States.

The successful implementation of this project shall have global significance and international impact on future generations.

OBJECTIVES

The primary objective of this competition is to utilize and expand the vision of the W.V.S. Tubman University (TU) planned library site to design an Ebrary (digital, innovative and futuristic library) that will emerge as a state of the art edifice to showcase the creative talents and expertise of the winning participants. The successful implementation of this project shall have global significance and international impact for future generations.

Initiating and organizing this Project is the Tubman University Foundation Board; a U.S. Organization established for the sole purpose of “generating support for quality educational opportunity at W.V.S. Tubman University to transform lives in service to Liberia, Africa and the world”.

BENEFITS

Partnering with Tubman University Foundation (TUF) to make this project a success is the Architecture Colleges of Howard, Tuskegee and Morgan State Universities. The participating students will benefit from an extraordinary experience in a new frontier emerging marketplace. They will be challenged to create an innovative design model, taking into consideration local building construction practices in West Africa and the United States concepts. The students will have the opportunity to travel to Maryland County, Liberia, for a specified time.

This project will provide a unique experience to enhance creativity while exposing students to new design ideas and construction practices. They will have the opportunity to meet with local Architects, Engineers and Construction Companies which will help them understand the practicalities and efficiencies/deficiencies of the building industry in Liberia and Africa.

Senior Architecture students from these Universities will be challenged by using the planned site at W.V.S. Tubman University in Tubman Town, Maryland County, Liberia, and West Africa to design an Ebrary (digital, innovative and futuristic library) as their final studio project, and a design competition that will be judged by renowned Architects from Africa and the United States.

The designs will be base on US Building Best Practices and material usage, thereby showcasing American standards and influencing the design, engineering and construction industry in this part of the world with a new model utilizing USA expertise.

PROMOTERS

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Howard University, Morgan State University

Tuskegee University

ORGANIZERS

The Tubman University Foundation is mobilizing resources from international donors to ensure the realization of the project's vision that would impact the future role of American Architecture and bring 100,000 plus e-books with over 435 academic, trade and professional publishers via the internet to university students in Liberia and Africa

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