

Silk Road to Peace: to secure peace, build bridges, reconfig historic buildings & revitalize economies

What: a research/design/planning project for peace, to research+survey, canvas+identify, select+evaluate, focus+plan, partner+collaborate, preserve+conserve, reconfig+revitalize, specific historic sites along the ancient Silk Road, into modern learning/living centers (global villages) for peace studies, environmental stewardship, food security, micro industries, economic revitalization, historic preservation, indigenous architecture, urban regeneration, sustainable development, in an international BioSphere & Trail demonstration & chain of possible Unesco World Heritage sites

Why: our planet urgently needs to invest in sustainable **peace**, not war; protection, not elimination, of all living species, the land, air, water & resources that sustain us; preservation, not destruction of cultural treasures, historic relics, world heritage/archaeological sites; ancient buildings & forgotten cities; reforestation not clear cutting; happiness not GDP; permaculture, not factory farming; cottage industries, not mega projects; for ancestors of the past & children of the future; to replace outdated paradigms, contrived wars, failed models, entrenched thinking, corporate greed, political mismanagement, administrative neglect, government incompetence & corruption, insensitive policies, retrogressive laws & regulations, or natural deterioration

How: • Peace Collaborative & international Silk Road team
• for synopsis of methodology, see *Work* below

When: for next 5 years

Where: context: 1) Middle East (F 4, 7) 2) China (F 2, 3, 5, 6)
work: North America, Middle East, Europe & China

Work: • research (literary/cultural) • project management
• interactive GIS mapping • partnerships
• architectural/urban design • eco-tours/studies
• master/regional plans • performances: art/music
• community plans • PPT talks & articles
• eco-inventories • strategies & reports

History: **ACE/ASH** Incs: 1972-3: Jorg Ostrowski prepared plans for Toronto's 40 ha waterfront (now "Harbourfront").
1995: plans prepared to design/build an EcoVillage as a living & learning Centre for Appropriate Technology.
2000-2001: ACE assembled land & investors to design & build EcoVillage in Calgary. ASH continues to pursue EcoVillages of Hope & RecoCity projects in Asia (China & Philippines), Americas (Costa Rica), Middle East (Iran)

Other: we welcome partners & fund-raising opportunities

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