

Park lecture to allow buildings to talk

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ST. CROIX — The National Park Service Lecture Series continues tonight with a discussion about Christiansted National Historic Site by David Goldstein, chief of Interpretation and Education for the three Park Service sites on St. Croix.

"Each building has its individual life history," Goldstein said, adding that those histories together comprise the history of the Danish West Indies.

"A lot of the way we see our landscape is kind of static. We don't realize that each building has

its individual life history," he said.

The talk will touch on Christiansted National Historic Site, its development as a park unit, and how it came to be a National Park, according to the National Park Service.

Goldstein's talk, "Revisiting Christiansted: Development and Future Prospect," will focus on the buildings at the National Historic Site as they became incorporated into the site and how the Virgin Islands government worked with the Secretary of the Interior's office to protect them.

The discussion also will touch on the archaeological remains on the

site that have the potential for future development for interpretive purposes.

Also during the lecture, the National Park Service will begin to take suggestions and comments from the public regarding expectations for the coming 2017 observance of the anniversary of the Transfer of the Danish West Indies to the United States.

The lecture is from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Danish Guinea West India Company Warehouse/Slave Market Building. The Christiansted National Historic Site parking lot will be free and open for this event until 7 p.m.

Enterprise Zone Commission hosts charrette to initiate Upstreet town plan on St. Thomas

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ST. THOMAS — The Enterprise Zone Commission, an entity of the V.I. Economic Development Authority, will host a charrette to initiate the development of a town plan for Upstreet on St. Thomas.

Residents and owners of businesses and properties in Upstreet, along with the general public, are invited to the four-day charrette, which is a series of multi-disciplinary planning meetings. The charrette is scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. Saturday and will continue at 5:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

The meetings will take place at the Winston Raymo Recreation Center on St. Thomas.

During the charrette, panelists, who

are knowledgeable in various topics that affect community and area development, and the general public will come together to share their ideas, opinions, recommendations and possible solutions to the problems that exist in the Upstreet neighborhood.

A consensus of ideas and solutions for town problems will help initiate the development of the town plan for Upstreet.

This plan, which will provide a road map for the economic, social and architectural development of this area, should reflect the vision of the community.

Representatives from the VIEDA and the Enterprise Zone Commission will also be available to answer questions.

The meeting schedule is:

- "Historical and Cultural Aspects

of the Town," 2:30 p.m. Saturday.

- "Environmental Impacts and Infrastructural Challenges," 5:30 p.m. Monday.

- "Social Issues and Housing," 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

- "Economic Development," 5:30 p.m. Wednesday.

The neighborhood of Upstreet is one of the designated enterprise zones in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

For more information, contact Raheem Smith at **714-1700** ext. **253** or by email at rsmith@usvieda.org.

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