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The Wallace Award® Honors Outstanding Contributions to American and Scottish Relations

The American-Scottish Foundation® (ASF) is in the midst of celebrating the 55th Anniversary of its formation in 1956.

Founded by Lord Malcolm Douglas-Hamilton, who believed there was a need for a bridge between the United States and Scotland, ASF is dedicated both to bringing the two countries closer together and helping foster and develop closer cultural, educational and business ties between them. His mission for ASF is as strong today as it was when he formed the Foundation.

The **Wallace Award®** honors outstanding contributions to American and Scottish relations. On November 1st, ASF will hold The 2011 Wallace Award® Gala Dinner, celebrating the 55th Anniversary of its formation. Chaired by Betty De Forest Scott, longtime Foundation board member, the Wallace Award® will be presented to Duncan A. Bruce and Rt. Hon. The Lord Smith of Kelvin.

ASF to host Energy Forum

The ASF Board will sponsor **The Challenges of Today and Tomorrow – Energy Forum** on Monday, October 31.

The Forum offers a day of both panel discussions and keynote speeches. Among panellists will be Lord Smith of Kelvin, Chairman of Scottish and Southern Energy; Pete Grannis, First Deputy Comptroller for the New York State and former Environmental Conservation Commissioner; Bill Bumpers of Bakers Botts, and Olivia Fussell of Carbon Credits Capital.

Such timely issues as balancing alternative energy, carbon credits, environmental and economic development, citing concerns from both a US and Scottish perspective, will be explored during the day-long program. Lunch and reception will allow attendees a chance to meet and further explore the topics of the day.

Alan Bain, President Emeritus of the ASF, commented “This is an area in which Scotland has great historic as well as contemporary strengths with its renewable energy initiatives... we see the Forum as a platform for Scotland to showcase its strengths in alternative as well as traditional energy sectors.” For more information, please call (212) 605-0338.

Public Catalogue Foundation Brings to Light Rare Scottish Oil Paintings



ASF has partnered with The Public Catalogue Foundation (PCF), a British charity dedicated to cataloguing publicly owned paintings in Scotland - to raise funds and awareness as well as improve access to rare Scottish paintings dispersed across museums, galleries, universities, hospitals, fire stations and even lighthouses.

As an introduction to this important project, the ASF has joined with Christie's on October 18th to host an introduction to PCF's work. The evening will take one on a journey describing PCF's initiative cataloguing over 30,000 paintings in Scotland and over 300,000 throughout Britain. What began as wonderful catalogue books of the progress of the project has now become an interactive on-line catalogue which is under development with the BBC and has just gone live at this time.

For information about the Reception and Talk for the Public Catalogue Foundation on Tuesday, October 18th please call the ASF office at (212) 605-0338.

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Tartan Week heralds a week-long celebration of Scottish culture each year in April, centering around April 6th, National Tartan Day. The week provides a platform for American Scots

to tell their story to their fellow Americans, and to showcase Scotland - both contemporary as well as historic - for all Americans.

ASF was involved in many events during the week. As part of the Foundation's community platform, ASF turned Lower Manhattan's Stone Street into a piece of Scotland, showcasing Scottish music, food and drink and, once again, presenting lunchtime concerts in the British Garden at Hanover Square.

In conjunction with the Museum of American Finance, ASF co-sponsored The Alexander Hamilton Lineage and Legacy exhibit which runs through December. The exhibit celebrates Hamilton's life and accomplishments as one of the Founding Fathers of America, First Secretary of Treasury, and economist.



Alexander Hamilton is related through the second Duke of Hamilton to ASF's Founder Lord Malcolm Douglas-Hamilton of the Ducal House. At the opening night reception in the Museum's historic Wall Street rotunda, the ASF and the MoAF brought together the Scottish and American Hamilton family descendants for the first time in 300 years.

A private visit was also arranged for the families to visit Hamilton Grange, now in the final stages of restoration by the National Parks Service. ASF is working with the New York City Parks Department and NPS on the Scottish plantings for St. Nicholas Park. The house is set to reopen to the public later this year.

The week concluded with the **Tartan Day Parade** up Sixth Avenue which the ASF introduced to New York City in 1997. Now in its 14th year, the Parade numbered over 2,500 marchers, pipers and clan members as well as the largest pack of Scotties and Westies marching in any parade.



Upcoming Events 2011/2012

Wednesday August 3rd - British Societies of New York Annual Summer Garden Party - 6-8pm
1041 Broadway at 121st Street

Monday September 12th - British Tribute Concert
In association with September Concerts & Police Museum
Police Museum, Lower Slip - 12.30 pm
Lothian & Borders Police Choir & West Yorkshire Police Brass Band

Saturday October 15th - John Muir Fall Trail Walk
Van Cortlandt Park, Bronx - 2pm

Tuesday October 18th - Uncovering Scotland's Art Collection
An introduction to the work of the Public Catalogue Foundation
6pm Lecture, 7pm Reception - Christies, New York

October 21st – 24th

The North American Leadership Conference - Detroit
Conference organized by ASF & Illinois St. Andrew's Society

Monday October 31st - Challenges of Today & Tomorrow
ASF Energy Forum & post conference reception

Tuesday November 1st - Wallace Award® Dinner celebrating
The Foundation's 55th Anniversary

Friday January 20th - 16th Annual Burns Night Celebration
A night on which to honor Scotland's national Bard, Robert Burns

April 6th – 15th - Tartan Week

Tuesday April 10th - Big Apple Clef Award Winner
Saturday April 14th - New York Tartan Day Parade

To reserve tickets or learn more, call (212) 605 0338.