

In these soul trying days, the officers and directors of the Alumni Association extend best wishes for your health, safety, and sanity.

We hope that with your increased time at home you were able to enjoy the recent, special Alumni eNewsletter issues on the London, Newport, and Chicago Summer Schools. These issues were intended to enlighten, engage, and encourage the students of the 2020 Class who had their plans for attendance crushed because of the postponement of the 2020 schools.

As well, these issues were intended to remind alumni of their great summer school experiences. We plan to have these issues posted to our website: vsaalumni.org

The Alumni Association is nearing the end of our special fundraising efforts to meet the Buttrick Challenge to fund an endowment to provide funds for scholarships for future students. Jim Buttrick will match dollar-for-dollar all donations up to a total of \$100,000 which are received by December 31, 2020.

The Buttrick Challenge is a unique opportunity for the alumni of the VSA Summer Schools to help ensure the survival of the schools and at the same time help the students who will go on to advocate for the continued recognition of the art, architecture, and design of the Victorian Era.

Many thanks to all those listed below who have helped us raise about \$59,000 to date. Hopefully, in the next few days and weeks, you can join your fellow alumni and others in supporting the funding of the endowment fund. It would be such a shame if we are not able to raise the \$100,000 to be matched dollar for dollar for a total of \$200,000 for the endowment.

Thank you very much for your consideration and support.

Stay safe.

David Lamdin
President of the Alumni Association

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION of the VICTORIAN SOCIETY SUMMER SCHOOLS

\$100,000 BUTTRICK CHALLENGE GRANT

The Alumni Association is very excited to announce the creation of an Endowment Fund to support the VSA Summer Schools. We received a very generous matching grant from Jim Buttrick (Newport 1999, London 2000). Jim will donate a total of up to \$100,000 to match dollar-for-dollar donations large or small to the Endowment Fund. These donations must be “new” money received before December 31, 2020. The Endowment Funds will be separately invested for the long term with a small percentage of the value of the fund used each year as needed for summer schools scholarships and operations.

As a supporter of the VSA, you understand the importance that the Schools have played in the lives of those fortunate enough to attend. Students consistently report on how the schools have enriched their lives with the connections made, the first-rate lecturers, and a broadened appreciation of the built environment. The Endowment Fund will provide an ongoing income stream to make the Summer Schools stronger and be our legacy for future Victorians. Please consider a generous contribution.

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Prof. Richard Guy Wilson with students at the Newport Summer School

Please complete and return the form below to help meet the Buttrick Challenge

I, _____, am including a check for \$_____ payable to the “**Alumni Association**”. Memo: for the Buttrick Challenge Grant. **AND/OR**

I, _____, pledge \$_____ to the Alumni Association for the Buttrick Challenge Grant to be paid before December 31, 2020.

Send to: **Alumni Association, VSA**
24 Wilkins Ave 1st Floor
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

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