

# St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 Preservation Program (2001 – 2002)

Goals

Key Tasks

Products & Results

## Model Site Preservation

- Archival documentation
- Site & condition survey methodology
- Develop conservation techniques
- Develop digital cartographic database
- Recording of significant tombs
- Pilot projects (3)
- Demonstration of recommended materials and techniques
- Structural & materials analyses
- Emergency tomb stabilization
- Alley 9-L tombscape restoration

## Education & Training

- Academic studios at UPenn and Tulane
- 55-60 Graduate students involved
- Public technical methods workshop
- 5 Conservation internships
- 2 graduate theses published
- Local school programs

## Public Outreach

- Local publications
- Project website
- SOC website
- Community events
- School programs
- Preservation community activities
- Illustrated manual of guidelines
- Involved local artists and craftworkers

- Institutional partnership: SOC, Inc., Archdiocesan Cemeteries, THNOC, UPENN, Tulane
- Complete site survey of landscape, tombs, urban neighborhood and conditions
- Archive of historic images, documentation and conditions by tomb
- Digital cartographic database for analyses and cemetery management
- Digital maps linking all database information on site and conditions
- Digital maps showing the historical development of the site
- Graphic documentation of tomb construction / alteration schemes
- Measured HABS drawings of significant tombs
- Illustrated *Guidelines for Preservation and Restoration* published for tomb owners
- Model program demonstrations: Alley 9-L Tombscape and additional tombs
- Valid cost guides developed for future project estimations
- Website of project information, related research programs and searchable database
- Methodology and project results presented at professional symposiums/workshops
- Video produced of current conditions, traditions and visitor response
- Save America's Treasures: Site designation and substantial grant.