

**WADSWORTH ATHENEUM IS SEEKING QUALIFICATION
STATEMENTS AND BIDS FROM CONTRACTORS
FOR HISTORIC CEDAR SHINGLE ROOF REPLACEMENT**

The Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, 600 Main Street, Hartford, CT 06103, is seeking qualification statements and bids from contractors certified by the Cedar Shake and Shingle Bureau with a minimum of five years experience with wood roof construction for historic houses conforming to The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Restoration and Rehabilitation of Historic Properties. The project, the removal and replacement of a cedar shingle roof, is located at The Austin House, a National Historic Landmark owned by the museum, located at 130 Scarborough Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Partial funding for this project is provided by the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism's Historic Restoration Fund. The Wadsworth Atheneum is an equal-opportunity employer and encourages women and minority contractors to participate. The selected firm must meet all City of Hartford, State of Connecticut and Federal affirmative action and equal opportunity practices.

Bid packages will be available for pickup from the security desk at the Wadsworth Atheneum at the Avery entrance on Atheneum Square North between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, beginning on Friday, May 2, 2008. There will be a mandatory pre-bid conference walk-through on Friday, May 23, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. at 130 Scarborough Street in Hartford. Bids must be received by the Wadsworth Atheneum by 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 4, 2008, at which time there will be a public opening of the bids at the museum. Please include your firm's qualification statement, which should include evidence that your firm is of adequate size and sufficiently staffed to perform the work described in the bid package.

Questions about the bid documents should be addressed in writing to Eugene Gaddis, Curator of the Austin House, at the Wadsworth Atheneum, 600 Main Street, Hartford, CT 06103, or by e-mail to gene.gaddis@wadsworthatheneum.org. Verbal inquiries or questions will not be accepted. Inquiries should be received at least seven days prior to the bid due date.