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## **International Stoneworks Participates in the International Surface Event 2014 Education Program**

*International Stoneworks' president, Rawi Tabbah co-presents a lecture at the largest flooring event of the year*

HOUSTON (January 6, 2014) – International Stoneworks, Houston's premier natural stone restoration and maintenance business, will co-present the session, CSI (Critical Stone Investigation): How Geology and Installation Affect Stone Restoration (program code # TU20) this year at the International Surface Event, the largest, unparalleled, premiere event for flooring, stone and tile.

Tabbah will present Tuesday, January 28, 2014 from 3:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. at the Mandalay Bay Convention Center in Las Vegas, Nevada. He and his co-presenters, David Bonasera and Chuck Muehlbauer will discuss stone geology and installation as it relates to stone restoration. The panel of three will help the audience understand how the geological background of stone and the installation of stone determine what type of restoration method professionals can use when restoring a stone surface. Those attending this session can receive 1.5 credits for continuing education.

The International Surface Event, which now consists of three shows: SURFACES, StonExpo/Marmomacc Americas and TileExpo, offers all attendees numerous education sessions. Those attending, such as fabricators, installers, retailers, architects, builders, designers, and restoration specialists, will come away with a distinct advantage over their peers. They will have the opportunity to learn how to avoid the pitfalls that one can encounter in the stone restoration business.

"I am excited to teach this course because I think this format is new and different. We are three experts from different fields and with our combined knowledge, this course really packs a punch. Correctly restoring a stone floor very much relies on the inherent qualities of each stone and how these stones were installed. Once you know the history of a stone surface, you will be able to fully understand how to properly restore it," said Tabbah.

Registration for The International Surface Event is available at <http://surfaces.com/Attendee/Register>.

**About International Stoneworks, Inc.**

International Stoneworks, established in 1982 by Rawi Tabbah, is Houston's premier natural stone restoration and maintenance business. Many prominent Texas buildings and homes have used International Stoneworks to clean, restore, protect, and maintain natural stones such as marble, travertine, granite (polished or flamed), slate, limestone (honed or polished), onyx, flagstone, terrazzo and other natural stones.

International Stoneworks has been an active member of the Marble Institute of America (MIA) since 1986 and has done work for commercial and residential customers in Houston and its surrounding cities, Dallas-Fort Worth, San Antonio and Austin for 32 years. Not only does it perform stone restoration services, it also sells safe and efficient products in order for clients to maintain their stone investments. For more information on International Stoneworks, please visit <http://www.intlstoneworks.com> or call 713-956-8291.

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