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## **International Stoneworks Participates in three events at the 2012 SURFACES and StonExpo/Marmomacc Americas Education Program**

*International Stoneworks' president, Rawi Tabbah, joins 2 prestigious panels and co-presents a lecture on stone restoration and maintenance*

**HOUSTON** (January 12, 2012) – International Stoneworks, Houston's premier natural stone restoration and maintenance business, will not only co-present the session, Natural Stone Refinishing from A-Azul Bahia to Z-Zimbabwe Black, but will also moderate The Essentials of Stone Maintenance Forum and participate as a panelist in the Stone Restoration Forum. International Stoneworks president, Rawi Tabbah is taking a more active role this year at SURFACES | StonExpo/Marmomacc, the largest stone and floor event of the year.

Tabbah will present January 24-26, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at the Mandalay Bay Convention Center in Las Vegas, Nevada. He will discuss the most effective ways to restore and maintain stone and take on the industry's toughest stone restoration and maintenance questions.

SURFACES and StonExpo/Marmomacc Americas are presenting free education programs, which are included in the cost of the exhibit admission. 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 more about natural stone care with topics ranging from general stone maintenance to complex stone restoration methods.

"I am very happy to return as a presenter at the SURFACES and StonExpo convention. I enjoyed being a panelist at the Care, Maintenance and Restoration forum last year and am eager to return as a moderator, panelist, and lecturer this year. I enjoy covering the technical aspects of natural stone restoration and maintenance, but I also want to share my 30 years of knowledge and experience in owning a natural stone refinishing business," said Tabbah.

Registration for SURFACES | StonExpo/Marmomacc Americas 2012 is available at <http://www.surfaces.com> and at <http://www.StonExpo.com>.

International Stoneworks SURFACES | StonExpo/Marmomacc Americas schedule:

**The Essentials of Stone Maintenance Forum:** Tuesday, January 24, 2012

8:00 a.m.- 9:30 a.m.

**Natural Stone Restoration Forum:** Wednesday, January 25, 2012

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

**Natural Stone Refinishing from A-Azul Bahia to Z-Zimbabwe Black:**

Thursday, January 26, 2012

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

**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 30 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.

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