



ART LIBRARIES SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA

Annual Report 2007 ARLIS/NA Northwest Chapter

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2007 Executive Committee:

Chair: Hollis Near (Cornish College of the Arts)

Vice-Chair/Chair Elect: John Burchard (Portland State University)

Treasurer: John Cull (Vancouver Public Library)

Secretary: Traci Timmons (Seattle Art Museum)

2008 Executive Committee:

Chair: John Burchard (Portland State University)

Vice-Chair/Chair Elect: Paula Farrar (University of British Columbia)

Treasurer: Martha Z. González Palacios (Simon Fraser University)

Secretary: Traci Timmons (Seattle Art Museum)

2007 Membership

Through 2007 the ARLIS/NA Northwest Chapter membership figures are as follows:

23 Chapter members who are also currently members of ARLIS/NA

2 Chapter affiliates who are NOT currently members of ARLIS/NA

4 Chapter members whose ARLIS/NA status is unknown

2007 Treasury Report

The Chapter's Financial Report is for the period November 1, 2006 – October 31, 2007; all amounts are in U.S. dollars. Receipts totaled \$1,189.85 (primarily from membership dues and from November 2006 Annual Meeting revenue); expenditures totaled \$719, making for a net increase of \$470.85 in cash. The opening bank balance as of November 1, 2006 was \$4,165.55 and the closing bank balance as of October 31, 2007 was \$5,168.76.

2007 Fall Meeting

The Fall chapter meeting was held in Seattle on November 2 and 3; it was hosted by Hollis Near, Cornish College of the Arts, and Traci Timmons, Seattle Art Museum.

On November 2nd the chapter toured the Art Visual Services and Art Library in the University of Washington Art Building, and later toured the UW Special Collections in the Allen Library South basement. Jeanette Mills gave a presentation on art digital imaging, Connie Okada described the resources in the UW Art Library, and Nicolette Bromberg gave a presentation on the Historical Film Collection at the UW Special Collections Division.

On November 3rd the chapter toured the Dorothy Stimson Bullitt Library and the galleries of the Seattle Art Museum. Traci Timmons discussed the history of the SAM and the holdings of the Bullitt Library, and led the library tour. Later in the day David F. Martin, of Martin-Zambito Fine Art, gave a presentation on Northwest women artists, and John Burchard gave a presentation on Picasso's *Guernica*.

Twenty members and affiliates attended the business meeting on November 3. Marilyn Nasserden, Canadian Representative to the ARLIS/NA Executive Board, gave a report from the Assessment Task Force. A number of structural changes were recommended, and a Board Chapter Liaison position has been created; also, all Society awards will now be under a single awards council.

Hollis Near, NW Chapter Chair, gave a report on chapter insurance. At the 2006 Fall Meeting, the members voted to use waivers in lieu of insurance; at the 2007 Fall Meeting all participants signed the waivers. With regard to possible insurance and liability for the Chapter, a proposed committee to explore options drew no volunteers during 2007. In accordance with Hollis' recommendation, at the 2007 Fall Meeting the ARLIS/NA NW Chapter voted to decline chapter insurance.

Travel Awards

For 2007: At the 2006 Chapter Meeting it was decided to offer two \$250 travel grants to attend the April ARLIS/NA Annual Conference in Atlanta. The Executive Committee received one application, reviewed it relative to the criteria, and awarded the grant to the applicant, Martha González Palacios, who submitted a report after attending the conference. The remaining \$250 earmarked for travel support was donated to the ARLIS/NA 35th Anniversary Celebration. The Chapter also offered two \$100 travel grants to attend the Chapter's 2007 Fall Meeting. The one application received was from Martha Palacios. Because all criteria for the award were met, the Executive Committee was pleased to grant the award to Martha.

For 2008: At the 2007 Chapter Meeting it was decided to continue with the current arrangement for awarding travel grants: two \$250 travel grants to attend the national conference in Denver May 1-5, and two \$100 travel grants to attend the Fall 2008 Chapter Meeting.

Other Business

- *Web site:* Hollis Near reported that the Chapter's web site continues to be updated regularly, and that there are no major changes to the site.

- *New Chapter Officers:* Hollis Near presented the slate of candidates for vacant positions on the 2008 Executive Committee:

Vice-Chair/Chair Elect: Paula Farrar (University of British Columbia);

Treasurer: Martha González Palacios (Simon Fraser University).

The slate was approved by acclamation.

- *2008 Fall Meeting:* A motion passed to make the Fall 2008 ARLIS/NA Northwest Chapter Meeting in Vancouver, B.C. The two sites planned for the meeting are the University of British Columbia (at its new educational facility) and the Vancouver Art Gallery.