ARLIS/DC-MD-VA Chapter 2013 Spring Meeting  
April 28, 2013

Moderators: Shalimar Fojas White  
Recorder: Heather Slania

Present: Shalimar Fojas White (Chair, Dumbarton Oaks), Heather Slania (Vice Chair, NMWA), Sarah Osborne Bender (Past Chair, The Phillips Collection), Greg Most (ARLIS/NA President NGA), Kathryn “Chuck” Wayne (UC Berkeley), Roger Lawson (NGA), Anne Simmons (NGA), Megan Halsband (LC), Yuki Hibben (VCU), Kristen Regina (Hillwood), Kathryn Philips (Freer Sackler), Kathy Woodrell (LC), Tony White (MICA), Anna Simon (Georgetown), Anne Evenhaugen (SAAM-NPG), Doug Litts (SAAM-NPG), Eden Orelove, Leila Prasertwaitaya (VCU), Bettina Smith (Archives of American Art), Julia Wisniewski (LC), Kimberly Lesley, Lee Viverette (VMFA), Jacqueline Protka (Corcoran Gallery and Corcoran College of Art + Design)

Introductions

Shalimar White called the meeting to order and asked members present to introduce themselves.

1. Approval of Fall 2012 meeting minutes (pre-circulated)

Minutes from the Fall 2012 chapter meeting held on November 9, 2012 at the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, DC were posted on the chapter website and a link provided to the listserv in advance of the meeting. The minutes were approved.

2. Report from the Chair

Shalimar reported on a number of items related to the national society:
The Pasadena conference had set many records for an ARLIS/NA conference: over 70 exhibitors, over 700 attendees, 4 concurrent sessions, an extra half day of programs, and integration with social media.

The 2015 conference will be in Fort Worth, Texas.

Currently the virtual conference is targeted to begin in the fall of 2014.

Subscription numbers are up in Art Doc, and they will be compiling the top 10 articles viewed.

The Board is also looking into advertising on the ARLIS/NA website and creating a position for a Publicity officer.

Nedda Ahmed will be working on revamping the ARLIS/NA website over the course of Summer 2013.

Shalimar also noted a few items specifically related to the 2014 conference in DC:

- We need to start thinking of the conference website now
  - All changes go through TEI which will make updating the conference website a laborious process
- Chapter donations will support transportation to the reception at Dumbarton Oaks
- We should think about holding fundraisers in DC in the upcoming year
  - Toronto held a vintage clothing sale to help support the 2012 conference

3. Treasurer’s Report

Nick Curotto was not able to attend the meeting in Pasadena, but Shalimar distributed the report on his behalf detailing revenues, expenditures, and memberships and is available online. The membership numbers are currently lower than what we need to have to help us with the conference, so we are urged to talk to our colleagues and see if they would join in the upcoming year. Expenditures are higher than anticipated, but an invoice has not yet been issued to TEI for the promotional buttons for reimbursement, so this number should decrease.

4. Web and Communications Report

Tessa Brawley was not able to attend the meeting in Pasadena, but her report is now available online. Roger informed us that the website is in good order and that they are always looking for content. We have 102 subscribers on our listserv. A membership plea should go out to the listserv.

5. 2014 Conference Committee’s Report
Roger distributed the ARLIS/NA 2014 Conference Committee Report to the listserv ahead of the meeting. Susan Stamberg and Lonnie Bunch were the most popular choices for Convocation speakers and Ellen Lupton, Caralyn Spector, and James Goode are potential options for the membership lunch.

Kathryn Wayne will be handling development for the conference and is anticipating on raising $91,000.

Someone suggested that we should invite local art museum directors to the conference, as well as having a panel with them, in light of the recent art museum library downsizings and closings.

Major upcoming dates:

CONFERENCE PLANNING ADVISORY MEETING (CPAC)

National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC, July 11-12, 2013

6. Chapter-Level Mentoring Report (Eden Orelve)

Eden, 2013 Caroline Backlund award winner, discussed that her plan for chapter level mentoring will start in the fall and is centered around matching students with professionals. She also suggested looking outside of the MLS programs at local museum studies programs. Eden will be sending out an email during the second half of May asking people to sign up to be mentors.

7. Chapter Members’ Conference Activities

The full record of chapter members’ activities will be posted to the chapter website.

8. Other business

The Summer 2013 meeting is slated to be at Dumbarton Oaks in August. NMWA was discussed as a potential venue for the Fall meeting. There was also a suggestion for the chapter to visit the conference hotel as a group.

Sarah encouraged members to consider serving on the Gerd Muehsam Award committee for the 2014 cycle. Shalimar also mentioned that the Research Awards committee is seeking new members.