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Election of New Vice-Moderator

- Nominations from the floor
- Cathryn Ziefle - Candidate Statement

I have been the solo librarian at Woodbury University School of Architecture in San Diego, California since October 2010. Prior to this position, I earned my MIS from the University of Toronto. I have been an active member of ARLIS since 2009. Currently, I serve on the Research Awards Committee and am the News Editor for my local ARLIS/Southern California chapter.

Most importantly, I am eager to support the incoming moderator by generating ideas to help align our Architecture Section initiatives with the ARLIS strategic plan. Foremost, I look forward to developing tools that will enhance our communication as a group and foster partnerships with similar organizations like AASL.

Becoming vice-moderator would be an exciting opportunity to make our section stronger and I have the upmost confidence that Jesse Vestermark and I will work well together to advocate for the Architecture Section.

Thank you for your consideration.
Strategic Plan Discussion

Timeline

11/15/12 The Architecture Section Survey on the ARLIS/NA Strategic Plan opens.
12/7/12 Survey closes.
1/15/13 Discussion of the survey results on ARCHSEC-I commences.
2/13/13 Final report written.
2/13 Discussion on the listserv wraps up.
3/2/13 Priorities poll closes.
3/13 Ad-hoc committee to consider options formed.
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Membership in Other Architecture-Related Organizations

- AASL (Assoc. of Architecture School Librarians)
- ACSA (Assoc. of Collegiate Schools of Architecture)
- AIA (American Institute of Architects)
- APA (American Planning Association)
- ASID (American Society of Interior Designers)
- ASLA (American Society of Landscape Architects)
- FIDER (Foundation for Interior Design Ed. Research)
- NAAB (National Architectural Accrediting Board)
- SAH (Society of Architectural Historians)
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Programs/Initiatives the Architecture Section Could Pursue with Related Organizations

- Conference Sessions: 31
- Webinars: 24
- Articles: 24
- Projects: 5
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Highlights from the comments & discussion:

• I wish we had a section blog...
• Projects related to bibliographies or best practices or accreditation...
• Web portals, web archiving, lists of digital projects, etc. Continue collab. with AASL re: NAAB standards.
• I wonder if the Section could host a clearinghouse for collection development policies?
• I would also be interested in reading blogs of other people's experiences working with architectural records, particularly at design firms.
• Some of the collaborative projects can be as ‘simple’ as creating a web portal with links to best practices, case studies, model projects, digital visualizations, etc.
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Goal IV. Emphasize Our Collections and Stewardship Role

Highlights from the comments & discussion:

- A disciplinary focus and shared collection development strategies for regional high-density storage collections.
- Protecting print materials when they are being shuttled back and forth to offsite shelving.
- Encourage contributions to ARTstor and SAHARA.
- Shared information on collection development and reference techniques.
- Mass digitization.
- Print journal preservation.
- ...encourage JSTOR to create an ‘architecture and design’ collection...
- Weeding.
- Shelving oversize materials.
- Security.
- Advocate for print on demand.
- When to switch to e-books, if ever.
- We need better ebooks! As a group we should be pushing publishers to develop these.
- Advocating for print on demand
- Access to collections.
- Promoting the collections.
ARLIS/NA Strategic Plan 2011-2015: Goal IV. Emphasize Our Collections and Stewardship Role

Highlights from the comments & discussion:

• Digitization of drawings, plans, and other archival collections of architecture materials.
• Preserving born-digital records.
• Preserving architectural models.
• ...what about coordinating architectural record surveys? (reviving COPAR?).
• The immense problems of maintaining architectural documents, both paper and digital.
• Public access to digitized architecture archives.
• Access to digitized architectural drawings, plans, sections and elevations from their archives and special collections, provided copyright/fair use clearance requirements are met.
• Access [to special collections] (it's TOO secure); promotion (beyond the creation of CDM collections, the average user is not excited by that); collaboration among library staff (you know that's not happening now)
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Highlights from the comments & discussion:

• ...the big need I see is for digitized plans, sections and elevations, since they are much more scarce in general than photos...
• ...a ‘portal’ where we could link to digital projects and a blog where we could announce architectural collections that our various institutions are digitizing.
• ...a partnership between working firms and academic libraries [to supply plans, drawings, etc.]
• ...consider a collaboration between the Architecture Section and the Architectural Records Roundtable on some of these issues.
• ...encourage librarians at institutions with significant holdings of original architecture materials to lobby their institutions to digitize their collections and make their holdings available to the public as well as through ARTstor.
ARLIS/NA Strategic Plan 2011-2015: Additional Goals to Support

Highlights from the comments & discussion:

• Mentoring: I see a role for section members to mentor new architecture librarians...

• Foster partnerships: we should be reaching out to colleagues outside of N. America and to colleagues in architecture related subgroups in SAA & SLA.

• Support the idea that the best qualified candidates for position openings are formally trained in a subject area such as art or art history...

• User needs assessment in Architecture Collections would be a good project.
Summary of Projects and Ideas

**Collaboration**
- Joint conference sessions with other organizations
- Joint webinars with other organizations
- Collaborative articles
- Collaborations in research and publishing

**Projects**
- An Architecture Section blog
- Portal of digital projects
- Portal for architectural plans
- Clearinghouse for collection development policies
- Coordinated architectural record surveys
- User needs assessment in architecture collections
- Common LibGuides
- Disciplinary focus and shared collection development strategies for regional high-density storage collections.
- Shared information on collection development and reference techniques

**Advocacy**
- Advocate for better e-books with publishers
- Advocate for print on demand
- Support the idea that library positions require training in library science (i.e. not solely a PhD in the subject area, with no formal library training)

**Support**
- Support Architecture Section participation in ARLIS/NA Career Mentoring Program
- Encourage contributions to ARTstor and SAHARA

**Preservation, Digitization, and Access**
- Digitization of archival collections of architecture materials
- Preservation of archival collections of architecture materials
- Public access to digitized architecture archives
- Access to collections
Priorities Poll Results

Architecture Section - Top Priorities

1. Portal for architectural plans
2. Shared info. on collection development & research
3. Advocate for better e-books with publishers
4. Encourage contributions to ARTstor and SAMARA
5. Preservation of archival collections of architectural materials
6. Public access to digitized architecture archives
7. Access to collections

Issues:

- Joint conference sessions with other organizations
- Joint webinars with other organizations
- Collaborations in research and publishing
- An Architecture Section blog
- User needs assessment in architecture collections
- Common LibGuides
- Architecture Section Meeting 2013
Priorities Poll Results

Architecture Section - Secondary Priorities

- Joint conference sessions with other organizations: 3
- Joint webinars with other organizations: 2
- Collaborations in research and publishing: 2
- An Architecture Section blog: 1
- Portal of digital projects: 1
- Portal for architectural plans: 1
- Coordinated architectural record surveys: 4
- Shared info. on collection development in architecture collections: 5
- Advocates for better e-books with publishers: 1
- Common LibGuides & research...: 1
- Support the idea that library positions require training...: 3
- Support Arch. Section participation in ARLC/NA Career...: 1
- Digitization of archival collections of architecture...: 1
- Preservation of archival collections of architecture...: 1
- Public access to digitized arch. archives: 1
- Access to collections: 2

Architecture Section Meeting 2013
Ad-hoc Committee

Charge: consider next steps and present options at the Architecture Section meeting in Pasadena.

Members: Amy Trendler (moderator), Jesse Vestermark (vice-moderator), Kathy Edwards (volunteer), and Karen DeWitt (volunteer).
Ad-hoc Committee

Findings:

• The blog idea received the most support.
• Several other project ideas could be tackled through the blog.
• The blog could also be used to explore future endeavors for the section (collaborations with other organizations, projects, etc.)
• The moderator and vice-moderator will be responsible for projects the section undertakes. In the coming year this means getting the blog going.
Ad-hoc Committee

• Options for the blog:
  – Wordpress with ads (free)
    • RISS and ADSL blogs are in Wordpress
  – Wordpress ad-free ($30 per year)
  – Blogspot (free)

• Goals for the blog
  – Spark discussion on current issues in the field
  – Communicate institutional value and holdings to the greater community
  – Create a forum for presentation and discussion of future conference sessions & panels
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Looking Ahead to the 2014 Conference

Many of the topics that came up would make great paper or session proposals!

- Collaborations with other organizations including AASL, Architectural Records Round Table, and SAH
- Digitizing archival collections
- Preserving archival collections
- Design firm libraries
- Collection development
- Off-site and/or high-density storage
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