

## ARLIS/NA Twin Cities Chapter Meeting Minutes

November 03, 2008

Perpich Center for Arts Education

Golden Valley, MN

### **In attendance (11):**

Deborah Ultan Boudewyns – University of Minnesota (U of MN)

Heidi Eyestone – Carleton College

Kathy Heuer, Past Chair – College of Visual Arts (CVA)

Janice Lurie, Chair– Minneapolis Institute of Arts (MIA)

Kristen Mastel, Secretary/Treasurer –U of MN

Jessica McIntyre, Chair-Elect – MIA

Jeanne Iverson – Perpich Center for Arts Education (PCAE)

Karen Neinstadt - PCAE

Daniel Smith – Walker Art Center (WAC)

Rosemary Furtak – Walker Art Center

Kay Streng -MCAD

The ARLIS/NA Twin Cities Chapter held its Fall meeting on Monday, November 03, 2008 at the Perpich Center for Arts Education in Golden Valley. Janice Lurie, chapter chair, convened the business meeting at 10:15 am. The meeting began with introductions of all in attendance. The minutes from the summer meeting were approved. Kristen Mastel, treasurer, reported the current balance of the chapter bank account was \$763.83. She accepted 2008 dues that have not been paid yet, and is accepting dues for 2009. The slate of officers for 2009 included: Janice Lurie, Chair; Jessica McIntyre, Chair-Elect; Kristen Mastel, Secretary/Treasurer. All voting members present unanimously approved the nominations for 2009. (Janice Lurie has agreed to stay on as Chair for a second year, as Sarah Quimby removed herself from the Chair position this year due to a recent job change.)

Kathy Heuer discussed the ARLIS/NA Twin Cities Travel Award. Applications for the \$200 award are due on February 13, 2009, with a notification date by March 1, 2009. More information including eligibility will be located on the ARLIS/NA Twin Cities website. Janice mentioned that the official website for the ARLIS/NA conference in Indianapolis (April 16 –21, 2009) made its debut on September 8th. The members discussed a Welcome Party donation to the ARLIS/NA 2009 Conference. All voting members felt that it was important to show support and approved a \$100 Welcome Party donation. Janice will notify both Cate Cooney (ARLIS/NA Chapters Coordinator) and Barbara Rockenbach (Chair, ARLIS/NA Development Committee) about our chapter's planned contribution. The group also decided to submit a silent auction chapter basket to the conference. Jessica McIntyre agreed to coordinate the effort and will be emailing our chapter about donations. It was decided that members should seek creative items that are about Minnesota or made in Minnesota from their institutions and community and bring the items to our meeting in February.

Kathy brought up a wonderful idea of having a social gathering of ARLIS/NA Twin Cities and local VRA members, so we can better get to know one another, especially since we will all be working together on the joint 2011 conference. Kathy proposed hosting the "Happy Hour (or more!) Conference kick-off 'Icebreaker'" at her house in St. Paul. The group decided the best date in January would probably be Friday, January 23, 2009. Those that were interested could attend a rare books exhibit at the University of Minnesota and then carpool over to Kathy's home. Participants in the "Icebreaker" are encouraged to bring a Hors d'œuvre or dessert to share, and Kathy will provide some spirits.

Janice made several announcements regarding grant/award opportunities which are posted on ARLIS/NA 's website, such as the ARLIS/NA Distinguished Service Award (deadline,1/9/09) , H.W. Wilson Foundation Research Grant (deadline,1/20/09), and the George Wittenborn Memorial Book Award (deadline,12/31/08). As Minneapolis will be hosting the 2011 joint conference, it's important to consider travel awards as an option for attending conferences, such as those from our chapter, as well as the numerous awards made available through ARLIS/NA.

As November 3rd was the last day to vote on the proposed increase of ARLIS/NA membership dues, Deborah Ultan Boudewyns reminded the chapter that it's important to vote. Janice mentioned that ARLIS/NA Twin Cities will not be raising their dues this year. Janice reviewed the highlights of ARLIS/NA President, Ken Soehner's update, which had been recently posted on ARLIS-L. She also asked if anyone knew whether ARLIS/NA had made progress in its plans for hosting chapter websites. Deborah said that we would know more about this after a contract is established between ARLIS/NA and a new association management firm.

Janice mentioned in 2009 we will have three chapter meetings: February; June/July; and November. She asked the chapter to forward ideas to her for potential meeting locations/activities. For our February (spring) meeting Rosemary Furtak had the wonderful idea to tour the art collection at the Chambers Hotel and possibly the Foshay Tower Museum, if time allowed. Rosemary kindly offered to coordinate this tour with Jennifer Case Phelps (Chambers Hotel /Foshay Tower Museum art director), and will aim for a Monday in February.

The meeting ended with a discussion by Rosemary Furtak on the artist book exhibit/review on Flickr and its integration into the Walker's blogs. One can read the interview with Rosemary and see the Flickr images expanding her library display to the virtual world, at:<http://blogs.walkerart.org/design/2008/07/15/rosemary-furtak-artist-books/>Also, as a side note, starting in December many of the artists books from the library at the Walker will be on display in the Medtronic gallery. This concluded the Business Meeting.

After the business meeting Jeanne Iverson discussed the library's unique collections at the Perpich Center for Arts Education. The library not only serves the high school students and staff but also is a government agency and arts education facility. After viewing one of the best dance education collections in the Midwest and the diversity collection we toured the exhibit spaces for student artwork in the building, along with seeing some of the classrooms. PCAE is a unique facility that we all appreciated having the opportunity to learn more about!

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristen Mastel