

# ARLIS/NA

ART LIBRARIES SOCIETY of NORTH AMERICA

**2015: 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference**  
**Fort Worth, Texas | March 19–23, 2015**

## **Chapter Chairs Roundtable Meeting**

March 20, 2015

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### **AGENDA**

- Welcome and Introduce incoming Chapters Liaison, Rebecca Friedman (Sarah Sherman, Chapters Liaison)
- Communication Tools (Sarah Sherman)
- Chapter membership (Sarah Sherman)
- Chapter Chair Introductions and share one chapter success since last annual conference (in less than 2-3 minutes!) (All)
- Open Forum & Questions (time permitting) (All)

### **NOTES**

Chapter Chairs meeting (focus was on chapter success this year; all Chapters shared successes with group—in separate Excel file)

- Participants were informed about conference happenings, and encouraged to attend the membership meeting
- There is a new ARLIS brochure—Sarah/Rebecca can assist in getting copies to Chapters
- The ARLIS policy manual is being revised
- ARLIS Bylaws will be revised to align with the policy manual
- Documentation to be worked on regarding members/friends (“affiliates”)/insurance coverage: to be incorporated in Chapter Success Book, which is due for a revision
- Proposals for 2018 conference hosts to be submitted in the summer/early fall; start this process now if your chapter is hoping to submit a proposal
- A reminder about communication tools: chapter chairs’ listserv, Basecamp (all chapter members are included): can be used to share documents, conduct conversations, facilitate sharing, retains history easily
- A reminder that Chapter Board members must be ARLIS/NA members
- Sylvia Roberts from Canada Chapter: only 12 Canadians attending the FW

conference this year

- Mountain West: trying to get a place together to discuss/share ideas about instruction: mentioned artsedge.org
- New England: focusing on personal connections within a Chapter context
- Southern California: 80% young/new professionals; programming—focus on graduate students, try and get involved with student chapters of area library schools
- Upstate NY: they noticed that solicitations for donations to Chapter members were going to users’ junk mail
- Ideas: panels for library schools; Chapters and student chapters co-hosting event to articulate the value of ARLIS membership; promote offerings to students via marketing [possible avenues to work with Membership Committee of ARLIS]; forwarding fellowships of interest, etc.
- Brief discussion of the hosting of Chapter websites by TEI (versus hosting/maintaining on own or own institutions); TEI can host, Chapters maintain
- Special funding requests: chapters can submit in early summer; examples: help underwrite the cost of conference doodads by host Chapter; tie in needs to ARLIS strategic plan; \$500, but can make a case for more; guidelines are on the ARLIS website

**CHAPTER SUCCESSES**

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Chair Name</b>	<b>Attended</b>	<b>Chapter Rep Attending</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Canada	Sylvia Roberts			
Central Plains	Thomas Young			2 meetings a year. New chapter members. Some retiring.
Mid-Atlantic	Jacqueline Protka		Tessa	Hosted 2014 conference and changed chapter name. Revamped website.
Midstates	Rebecca Price			Success is when we meet together. Involved in IFLA 2016. Chapter mentoring is challenging and will explore changing to a colleague and colleague model vs. mentee/mentor.
Montreal-Ottawa-Quebec	Nancy Duff	No		

Mountain West	Luke Leither			Virtual conference. Pre-recorded with discussion forum and Q&A. In one year, will be in learning portal to allow paying attendees to get their money's worth.
New England	Ashley Peterson		Gabrielle Reed, Past Chair	Collected books for Mackintosh library. Held Art+Feminism Wikipedia edit-a-thon; 17 people attended & received Wikipedia funding.
New York	Janis Ekdahl			Programming. Trip to Google and learned about Google Art Project. Have representation of chapter members who present at conference give their conference presentations at home to the local chapter.
Northern California	Dayna Holz	No		
Northwest	Traci Timmons			Hosting the 2016 joint conference with VRA. Old website moved to WordPress.
Ohio Valley	Mo Dawley			Partnering with Midstates to host IFLA.
Ontario	Nancy Perrin	No		
Southeast	Kasia Leousis			2017 conference host.
Southern California	Claire Kennedy		Ben Lee Ritchie Handler	Past tours and future tours. New professional members.
Texas-Mexico	Sha Towers	Yes		Host of 2015 conference. Has a Mexican city member.
Twin Cities	Shannon Klug		Margit Wilson	Chapter mentoring program. Had Letterpress workshop as a mentoring event with ARLIS special funding.
Upstate New York	Rose Orcutt		Didn't get name	Onsite payment system for meetings/events. Chapter member Barbara Opar is the AASL distinguished member of the year.