

ARLIS/NA

ART LIBRARIES SOCIETY of NORTH AMERICA

2015: 43rd Annual Conference
Fort Worth, Texas | March 19–23, 2015

International Relations Committee Meeting

March 20, 2015

Submitted by Christina Peter

Attendees:

Christina Peter, Deborah Kempe, Sylvia Roberts, Rina Vecchiola, Sandra Brooke, Katie Keller, Liv Valmestad, Elisa Hansen, Michiel Nijhoff

Regrets:

Kathleen Salomon, Clayton Kirking, Holly Hatheway

- i. Membership:
 - a. Christina Peter will be Chair in 2015; Deborah Kempe will be Vice Chair/Chair-Elect.
 - b. Outgoing: Holly Hatheway, Katie Keller. Katie will continue to work on the reciprocal tour.
 - c. Extended: Rina Vecchiola, Clayton Kirking, Kathleen Salomon.
 - d. New: Liv Valmestad, Elisa Hansen
- ii. International Guests Reception: committee members will meet the guests in the hotel lobby between 6 and 6:10pm to walk the guests to the reception at the Sid Richardson Museum.
- iii. Report from Board Liaison: University of Chicago Press can send a box of Art Documentation journal issues to the host site of the Brazil study trip for distribution to symposium participants. The EB will need a proposal submitted as early as possible in order to approve the next reciprocal trip.
- iv. Report from IFLA Liaison: Art Libraries session in Cape Town is *Turning the Tables: Documenting Art Beyond the Western Canon*. The Art Libraries Section is also organizing a walking tour of Cape Town galleries, art projects, art libraries, and/or art bookshops. For IFLA 2016 in Columbus, Ohio, Melanie Emerson and

the local ARLIS/NA chapters are putting together a proposal for a satellite conference in Chicago.

- v. IRC's year in review: Held 7 online meetings. At the EB's request to improve relations with affiliates, a letter was drafted and sent. The study trips' role in member benefits includes a scholarship opportunity, relationship building, and conferences on the study trips with participants from multiple countries. The travel award initiative did not get past the funding approval process. Videotaping of international sessions is a new area for the committee and requires a new workflow to be established. Action item: Sylvia recommends applying for special funding for videotaping for the next trip (Brazil).
- vi. Kress Foundation Awards: IRC has a delegate on the group awarding grants. There was a small pool for the category of ARLIS/NA members traveling to overseas conferences. One award went to a Capetown attendee and another to an attendee to a conference in Denmark. Giving a paper is not a requirement to receive an award. There were 10 international attendees to the ARLIS/NA conference who received awards. Some are speaking at the conference and some are first time attendees. 2 Brazilian hosts are in Fort Worth.
- vii. Current tour in progress: 12 people are signed up.
- viii. Future trip planning: Michiel and the Dutch hosts will handle identifying hotels. He suggests June 2016 for the study trip and the committee agreed. A symposium or moderated discussion could be planned. The IRC's role is in selecting participants, and perhaps reaching out to German librarians to participate as well.
- ix. Hosting: Options are to tie the reciprocal trip to the Seattle conference in a west coast location or to hold the reciprocal trip in the fall in New York and Washington, D.C. Michiel noted he has 15 people from his area interested in a fall 2016 NY/DC trip and that interest in a west coast location would be lower.
- x. Review of action items: Christina was informed that the timeline for posting the videos from the Budapest conference via the ARLIS/NA learning portal is summer 2015.