



The **Archivists Round Table** of Metropolitan New York, Inc.

Monthly Board Report April 5, 2021 **Online via Zoom**

Present:

Amye McCarther
Stephanie Neel
Cristina Fontáñez Rodríguez
Danielle Nista
Nicholas Martin
Ashton Wingate
Colleen Daw
Anne Boissonnault
Patricia Glowinski
Emily Andresini

Absent:

Megan Williams
Deidre Dinnigan

President

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Preservation Symposium planning underway
 - Co-organizers: Lorena Ramírez-López, Alexandra Lederman
 - Need to coordinate announcement and events calendar
 - MetLife grant
 - Sponsorships?
- Delay finishing Winter/Spring issue of Metropolitan Archivist
- What is the status with UOVO?
- Will resolve P.O. Box issue this week
- Elections are coming up soon!!

Outreach

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

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Past President

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

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Vice President

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Elections
 - Will add upcoming dates/deadlines to the board calendar
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Treasurer

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- 2019 taxes filed
 - 2020 extension, to-do list from Skody
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Advocacy

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Attended Tribal Archives Summit on March 23, 2021. This was one of seven strategic planning summits. The goal of this summit was to “establish a sustainable structure that will improve archives operations in Native Communities. Today’s Summit will share the needs of tribal archives, identify issues, and develop a prioritized action plan.” Question for the Board: should ART become an institutional or affiliated organization member? Beyond creating a land acknowledgement, how can ART collaborate with and support Indigenous archives and archivists, and Indigenous culture?
<https://www.atalm.org/node/514>
 - Federal, State, and Local funding for libraries and cultural institutions: Build America’s Libraries Act; New York State Legislature budget up for approval right now
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Education

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

Proposal for 2021 NYAW Symposium
Theme: Resiliency



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The past year has been trying on all of us professionally, emotionally, mentally, and physically. Our goal for this year's archives week symposium is to recognize hardship, celebrate achievements, and note areas for continued learning. We will also incorporate ideas about creative problem solving within the world of archives as well as cross-disciplinary collaboration with our colleagues in libraries, museums, education, information technology, and preservation.

Symposium Organization:

- Two, half-day events since one full day on Zoom can be long
- Approximately 8 presentations (including panels, workshops, and lightning talks)
 - One session would be set aside for self-care
 - One session would be set aside for keynote speakers
 - We would adjust based on the number of proposals we receive
 - If we receive fewer proposals than slots, we have ideas for filling in the gap with speed mentoring and/or a zine workshop
- Recording presentations, with permission from speakers and participants
 - Not recording sensitive topics or any Q&A sessions
- 60 minutes slots for sessions with 15 minute breaks in between
 - AM: Possible that these sessions will need to be longer -- closer to 90 minutes -- depending on the size of the panels

New Ideas for 2021:

- Asynchronous poster session (participants submit a brief recording of their poster (a powerpoint slide) and we compile them into a video
- Coffee Shop Networking - breakout rooms for each of the presenters to give people a chance to mingle like they would after a conference
 - Could potentially include the folks from the poster session too

Timeline:

- April 5 - presenting theme to the board for approval
- April 22 - Education Committee meets to discuss call for proposals (CFP)
- May 3 - Presenting the CFP to the board for approval
- May 4 - May 7 - Edits for CFP
- May 10 - Send out CFP
- Mid-June (TBD) - Deadline for submitting proposals
- June - July - Education Committee Reviews proposals
- Mid-July (TBD) - Education Committee sends out acceptance/rejections

Outstanding Questions:

- Budget for paying speakers?
- Are we okay with a two day symposium instead of one day?
- How many zoom accounts will we need?



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- Is the poster session idea viable?
 - Does the timeline work?
 - AM: Partnering with Center for Jewish History, as ART has done in the past for the symposium?
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Publications

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Possible this upcoming issue will be Winter/Spring (as opposed to just Winter)
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Communications

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Social Media Metrics ~ 3 announcements / posts last month
 - Twitter: 4,224 (+8) followers ; 3,543 interactions with posts
 - Instagram: 795 (+27) followers ; 966 interactions with posts
 - Linktree received 287 visits (+39 from last month) ; 152 (+ 26 clicks from last month)
 - Facebook
 - Group: 628 (+14) ; no data
 - Page: 728 (+4) ; 92 interactions with posts
 - LinkedIn: 970 (+6) followers ; no data
 - Canva Account (?)
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Programming

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Still working on collaboration with EAI
 - Archiving Covid panel went well, thank you to those who attended
 - Would like to discuss providing a stipend for panel presenters
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Membership

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Membership Report
 - Regular Member: 248 (+1)
 - Student Member: 69 (+2)
 - Friends of A.R.T.: 16
 - Sponsorship: 13



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- Honorary: 10
 - Sustaining: 3
 - 1-1 Mentorship Launch
 - Mentees applicants: 38
 - 16 Pairs, waiting to hear back from 1 mentor for final confirmation before notifying mentees
 - Holding orientation next week sending that email out Wed.
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Secretary

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

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