



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

Monthly Board Report September 8, 2020
Online via Zoom

Present:

Amye McCarther
Ashton Wingate
Anne Boissonnault
Patricia Glowinski
Cristina Fontáñez Rodríguez
Stephanie Neel

Absent:

Nicholas Martin
Colleen Daw
Emily Andresini
Deidre Dinnigan
Megan Williams
Maya Naunton

President

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Recap on August events:
 - First Skill Share on Airtable for Reference
 - Mentorship Community Hours & 1-1 Program launch
 - Skill Share on Getting Started as a Freelancer
 - Started website redesign with NY Archives Directory
- Upcoming
 - NYAW branding and logistics
 - Call for committee volunteers
 - Listserv revitalization / Jobs posting push
 - Membership categories
 - NEA Community Cultural Orgs grant funding/ART Internship Award

Past President

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- *No updates.*
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Vice President

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Treasurer

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- No updates.
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Advocacy

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Sign/endorse the 2020 Census Deadline Extension Act
 - Access to and archiving of NYPD body camera footage. Public Advocate Jumaane Williams has introduced a body-worn camera transparency bill to the New York City Council (Intro. 1989). <https://tinyurl.com/yxagp7qs>
Access to and archiving of this form of government record is crucial, especially given the body camera footage recently released of the killing of Daniel Prude and reporting that there actually may be police body camera footage of the killing of Breonna Taylor.
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Education

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- No updates.
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Publications

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Redesign of *Metropolitan Archivist* as digital quarterly
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Communications

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Social Media Metrics
 - Twitter: 4,078 (+34) followers ; 11.6K interactions with posts
 - Instagram: 460 (+35) followers ; 1,359 interactions with posts
 - Facebook
 - Group: 603 ; no data



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- Page: 711 ; 627 interactions with posts
 - LinkedIn: 926 followers ; no data
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Programming

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- *No updates.*
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Membership

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- Community Hours
 - 58 registrants, about 30 attendees.
 - Positive feedback from the community on the Mentorship program
 - Seems to be a need not just for job search help but also adjusting to virtual work; also, many mid-level, mid-career workers entering the job market for the first time in some time. So there is additional interest in that form of mentorship
 - Mentorship Launch
 - As of 9/6, we have 19 applications for mentees, 3 for mentors. I encourage those interested to apply to be mentors!
 - Close date is 9/17 with hopefully an orientation on October 1st.
 - Student Membership
 - An issue came up over the weekend, many students who have started their course do not have student IDs. They have not been on campus to receive them
 - We require student identification to confirm student membership.
 - A student who recently applied sent me a screenshot of her online student portal; something equivalent to that should work for student membership applications.
 - Thoughts?
 - Working to form a committee, already have one member. Will be contacting individuals this week. If you know of anyone who might be interested please let me know.
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Outreach

Open Issues and Discussion Items:

- *No updates.*
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Secretary

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- Website redesign with Pratt Institute Center for Digital Experiences