

ARLIS/NA

ART LIBRARIES SOCIETY of NORTH AMERICA

Annual Report 2014 ARLIS/NA MOQ (Montreal-Ottawa-Québec)

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Executive Committee 2014

President: Pierre B. Landry
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Membership and Activities

In 2014 the chapter reviewed its membership fees and created a category of "Friends" for an additional 15\$ donation over regular membership. A membership email address was created and a membership form and PayPal payment option added to our Web site to facilitate online transactions. Some issues resulting from the transition to an all new-members executive committee caused an inadequate follow up of member roster. As a result, only 27 members had paid their dues at the end of the year out of a list of 49 names.

Annual Conference and ARLIS/NA Canada Meeting, Washington, DC, May 3, 2014

Eight ARLIS/NA MOQ members attended the Annual Conference. A contribution of 200\$ was made to ARLIS/NA for the Annual conference.

Spring meeting, June 6, 2014, Carleton University, Ottawa

Fourteen members attended the business meeting. Thanks to Nancy Duff, members enjoyed a guided tour of the Archives and Research Collections, Carleton University Library, followed by curators' presentations of exhibitions *Imaginary Worlds: Scottie Wilson* and *"Art Brut" and Inuit Art: Skin Deep*, Carleton University Art Gallery. The day concluded with behind the scene talk on the W. McAllister Johnson print collection, Carleton University Art Gallery.

Fall meeting, November 28, Montreal

The business meeting was held at the Leonard & Bina Ellen Art Gallery, Concordia University, with 20 members in attendance. Members were then invited to a tour by curator Mélanie Rainville of an innovative contemporary art exhibition titled *Speculations. Risquer l'interprétation*. In the afternoon, members reconvened at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts for a guided tour of major exhibition *Van Gogh to Kandinsky* with curator Anne Grace. ARLIS/NA MOQ member Joanne Déry then invited participants to the MMFA Library for a presentation of its collection and mandate.

Awards

The Michelle Gauthier Travel Award (1000\$CDN) was awarded to Pierre B. Landry, director, Action patrimoine, Québec, to attend the 2014 ARLIS/NA Annual Conference in Washington, DC. The Daphne Dufresne Membership Award was awarded to David Sume (60\$US) for one-year ARLIS/NA registration (retired member).

Communications

The chapter publishes MOQDOC Bulletin twice annually to coincide with spring and fall meetings. The bulletin is distributed to all members. A PDF copy is also posted to the [ARLIS/NA MOQ website](#).

Finances

From January 1st to December 31st, 2014, revenues totaled 1243.03 \$CAD including membership, donations and registration to chapter activities. The chapter expenses reached 2018.98 \$CAD. They include annual awards (1060.30 \$CAD), contribution to the annual conference (200 \$CAD) and other operating costs (754.68 \$CAD). The balance at the end of the year was 1451.05 \$CAD.

As with the previous year, expenses exceeded revenues. The chapter's executive committee is now looking at ways to improve revenues by increasing membership and organizing fundraisers.

ARLIS/NA Strategic Plan

Goal I.B.1 Identify new membership and development opportunities to move the profession forward.

The chapter is designing a new membership brochure in collaboration with the Membership Committee. This document aims to be customizable at the chapter level in order to incorporate language, culture, and geographic elements unique to individual regions. [In progress]

Goal II.A.1 Encourage opportunities for early career professionals to serve on ARLIS/NA and chapter committees.

The positions of treasurer and secretary are currently filled by young professionals. Chapter younger members – early career professionals and graduate students – contribute largely to MOQDOC's editorial committee and content.

Goal III.B.1 Identify organizations with common interest...

For the November 2014 meeting, the chapter looked into a possible collaboration with the *Congrès des milieux documentaires*, a major conference co-organized by 9 professional associations of librarians, archivists, and record management specialists. The collaboration was turned down because of prohibitive costs, but MOQ members were made aware of this important event held yearly in Montréal.