

DOCENT BOARD MEETING

SANTA BARBARA MUSEUM OF ART

DATE: May 14, 2014

Present: Vikki Duncan, Molora Vadnais, Joan Dewhirst, Ralph Wilson, Gail Stichler, Mary Eckhart, Ann Robinson, Mary Ellen Hoffman, Barbara Boyd, Mike Ramey, Kathryn Padgett and Rachael Krieps.

President Vikki Duncan called the meeting to order at 9:40AM in Luria room. She noted that this is the last meeting of just this Board. The final meeting of the 2013/2014 service year will be a Double Board meeting, the time for outgoing officers and chairpersons to present their notebooks to the new incoming Board members.

Vikki thanked everyone from the present Board for the thoughtful way they approached the duties of their office and their continued application of thoroughness and follow-through. She expressed special gratitude for all the patience and good humor exhibited throughout the year.

The minutes of the April 2, 2014 meeting were approved.

BOARD REPORTS

PRESIDENT: Vikki Duncan

OLD BUSINESS:

Vikki reported that, unfortunately, further Board attention was required regarding Carlos Hernandez' status as a New Active. Additional obligations (a Highlights tour and research presentation to the Council) had been missed subsequent to the advisory meeting Vikki held with Carlos in March, when requirements, missed tours, family obligations and medical issues were discussed. Following an active and open discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and the Board voted in a unanimous action to accept Carlos Hernandez' resignation from the Council. The Board also invites him in the future--- if circumstances allow--- to apply to re-join the Docent Council, approval being at the discretion of the Docent Board.

Vikki mentioned an invitation from Asian Art Curator Susan Tai to join the Friends of Asian Art on a special trip to LACMA on Friday, May 30th. Also, in working ahead for the 2014-15 service year as well as completing this year's odds and ends, she will meet with Patsy, Rachael and Molora on Friday, May 23rd. Vikki reminded everyone that Friday, June 6th, is the 2014 Provisional Class Graduation ceremony and the presentation of Docent Service Awards.

VICE PRESIDENT: Molora Vadnais

Pasadena Bus Trip

Molora reported the bus trip to Pasadena on April 9th was a great success and made a profit of \$300. Twenty-six docents, spouses and friends visited the Asia Pacific Museum and the Pasadena Museum of California Art. Participants enjoyed an excellent docent tour of the Alfredo Martinez exhibition currently on view in the latter museum. Molora expressed her thanks to: Gwen Baker for her impromptu presentation on the history of the building and collection of the Asia Pacific Museum; Sneh Singh for pointing out a beautiful sari and thankas, donations she made to that museum from the art collection she established with her late husband; Christine Holland for arranging the lunch at McCormick and Schmick; and Linda Adams for assisting with snacks and wine on the bus.

Molora mentioned that the Docent outing on Saturday, May 24th to see "Red," the play about Mark Rothko, has 14 docents signed up for dinner at the Arlington Tavern after the performance at the New Vic Theatre in downtown Santa Barbara.

Provisional Luncheons

Molora announced that all the Provisional luncheons have been completed. Thanks to Gabriella Schooley for arranging them and to the hostesses: Christine Holland, Jacqueline Simons, Jean Smith, Irene Stone, Vikki Duncan, Amanda McIntyre, Nancy Estes, Ann Robinson, Denise Klassen and Tricia Sullivan-Goss. Tricia has graciously offered to host an additional luncheon to honor the hostesses. It is being arranged this month.

In anticipation of next year's Provisional luncheons, Joan reported on a recent meeting she had with Gabriella and Molora. Gabriella noted the difficulties this year with inviting all Active docents plus Sustainers to attend a luncheon. The following ideas emerged from this meeting:

- 1) Establish a list of Actives not interested in attending a luncheon.
- 2) Discover which Actives and Sustainers have never been invited to a luncheon.
- 3) Schedule the luncheons in June and early July, after the Provisionals have graduated. This would serve the original intent of introducing the new docents to more of the Active members because weather would permit outdoor entertaining and larger groups could be accommodated. Several luncheons could be scheduled on the same date. And luncheons would not interfere with Student touring schedules.
- 4) Fill luncheons by having signup sheets available at docent council meetings listing the time and location of each luncheon. Signups would be on a first come-first served basis.
- 5) Plan a different event to honor Sustainers. For example, arrange a special General Council Meeting, once a year, specifically designed for Sustainers. Enlist the Café to provide a spread of goodies and coffee beforehand.

LACMA Bus Trip

Joan thanked Molora and Vikki for their help in organizing a docent bus trip to LACMA on Monday, June 16th, to view the new exhibition "Expressionism in Germany and France: From Van Gogh to Kandinsky". This is a ticketed and timed-entry show. We will enter as a group at

11:30 AM for our self-guided tour. The LACMA tickets will include entry to the exhibit "Calder and Abstraction: From *Avante-garde* to Iconic" and all other museum galleries. Cost for the trip per person is \$70. This does not include lunch. LACMA has a good cafeteria and there are food trucks available on Wilshire Boulevard across from the Museum. To confirm a reservation send a check (made out to SBMA Docent Council) to Joan Dewhirst no later than June 4th.

SECRETARY: Joan Dewhirst

Correspondence:

1) Thank-you notes for presentations to Docent Council meetings:

Edward Dolnick for the Adele Nachman lecture on April 16th and Ken Gonzales-Day for his presentation on May 7th.

2) Congratulatory note to Nicola Ghersen for her Powerpoint presentation on the Tibetan Prayer Wheel to the docents on April 16th.

3) Get-well wishes to Gail Elnicky.

4) Sympathy card to Sylvia Maybee on the death of her husband.

TREASURER: Ralph Wilson

Ralph reported the Council Treasury has over \$15,000 in cash. He asked that all outstanding "Requests for Payment" be submitted to him before May 30th.

He submitted the following balances for month ending April 30, 2014

CHECKING ACCOUNT= \$5,182.62 SAVINGS ACCOUNT=\$10,280.49 (See attached report)

MEMBERSHIP: Gail Stichler

Gail passed around samples of all docent pins given for the various service awards including "Docent of the Year" and the 5, 10, 15, and 20 year pins. There is no existing 40-year pin for special awardee, Ellen Lawson. Following a lively and thoughtful discussion, Mike moved that a gift--- other than a pin--- be purchased for Ellen. Ralph seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous vote of the Board. Kathryn offered to shop for this special gift.

Gail reported that we now have 6 Provisionals. (See attached Membership Report)

ADULT TEAMS: Christine Holland & Mary Eckhart

Christine is excused from the meeting today. Mary reported that attendance numbers were solid in all categories of tours, especially Techniques (8.1 visitors average per tour) and Heavenly Bodies (7.4 visitors average per tour). The Slow Art Day was a great success, and we gave 5 mini-tours and toured 54 visitors for a total of 11 visitors average per tour.

However, in April there were 6 tours with no visitors. This was attributed to very low museum attendance. Also, one of the scheduled Special Request tours had no visitors because they did not show up. (See attached reports for March & April Adult Tours statistics.)

STUDENT TEAMS: Ann Robinson & Sylvia Mabee

(See attached report for April Student Tours statistics)

**Santa Barbara Museum of Art
Docent Council 2013-2014
Treasurer's Report
May 14, 2014 (for month ending April 30, 2014)**

CHECKING ACCOUNT #01551100		SAVINGS ACCOUNT #182329	
Beginning Balance as of			
March 31, 2014	\$3,237.62	Dec. 31, 2013	\$10,280.31
Deposits/Voiced Checks	\$1,945.00	Deposits	\$0.00
Withdrawals	\$0.00	1Q Interest	\$0.18
		Withdrawals	\$0.00
Ending Balance as of			
April 30, 2014	\$5,182.62	Apr. 30, 2014	\$10,280.49
Est. Outstanding Commitments	\$0.00		
Outstanding Deposits	\$0.00	TOTAL CASH	\$15,463.11

Year-to-Date (YTD) Budget Report
(July 1, 2013 - April 30, 2014)

INCOME	Budget	YTD Actual	Over/(Under) Budget
Docent Dues	\$3,570.00	\$3,765.00	\$195.00
Other Income: Symposium (carryover)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Art Show (11/10/13)	\$0.00	\$615.00	\$615.00
Previous year (carryover)	\$1,464.00	\$1,464.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$6,034.00	\$6,844.00	\$810.00

EXPENSES			Remaining in Budgeted Items
Docent Symposium	\$2,000.00	\$1,097.64	\$902.36
Docent Art Show - 2013-14	\$600.00	\$291.99	\$308.01
Docent Art Show (carryover)	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00
Holiday Party	\$550.00	\$692.48	(\$142.48)
Hardware/Computer Work/Maintenance	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Gifts and Flowers	\$400.00	\$291.56	\$108.44
Docent Directories	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Graduation and Service Awards Event	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
Docent Continuing Education	\$350.00	\$55.40	\$294.60
Provisional trainers reimbursement	\$1,050.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
Miscellaneous	\$209.00	\$0.00	\$209.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$6,034.00	\$2,429.07	\$3,604.93

YTD TOTALS (Income less Expenses) \$6,899.62

YTD UNBUDGETED ITEMS (thru 3/31/14)	Receipts	Expenses	Net Over/(Under)
LACMA bus trip (11/18/2013)	\$1,650.00	\$1,110.31	\$539.69
Pasadena bus trip (4/9/14)	\$1,945.00	\$0.00	\$1,945.00
TOTAL UNBUDGETED	\$3,595.00	\$1,110.31	\$2,484.69

>>>PLEASE SUBMIT ALL OUTSTANDING "REQUESTS FOR PAYMENT" BEFORE MAY 30th<<<

Ralph G. Wilson
Docent Council Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR REPORT

As of May 14, 2014

Active Docents	76
Active Docents - LOA	4
Sustainers	26
Provisional	6

MONTH	PUBLIC	RESEARCH	PROVISIONAL	TOTAL HOURS REPORTED
JULY	103	842		945
AUGUST	94	914		1008
SEPTEMBER	72	1020	146	1238
OCTOBER	145	1306	416	1867
NOVEMBER	154	1292	543	1989
DECEMBER	170	1116	419	1705
JANUARY	235	1209	465	1909
FEBRUARY	215	1108	567	1890
MARCH	134	924	527	1585
APRIL	101	723		824
MAY				0
JUNE				0
Total Hours	1423	10454	3083	14960

Note: July 2012 - June 2013 total hours = 18,314

Submitted by Gail Stichler

ADULT TEAM CHAIR REPORT
DOCENT COUNCIL BOARD MEETING
APRIL 2, 2014

DOCENT TOURING STATISTICS
MARCH 2014

ALL TOURS

Total visitors toured: 356
Total Number Tours: 55
Visitors per Tour average: 6.5

REGULAR TOURS

Total visitors toured: 331
Total Number Tours: 52
Visitors per Tour average: 6.4

SPECIAL REQUEST TOURS

Total visitors toured: 25
Total Number Tours: 3
Visitors per Tour average: 8.3

TEN TALKS

Total visitors toured: 58
Total Number Tours: 7
Visitors per Tour average: 8.3

HIGHLIGHTS

Total visitors toured: 110
Total Number Tours: 21
Visitors per Tour average: 5.2

ASIAN

Total visitors toured: 39
Total Number Tours: 5
Visitors per Tour average: 7.8

EUROPEAN

Total visitors toured: 18
Total Number Tours: 3
Visitors per Tour average: 6

PORTRAITS

Total visitors toured: 39
Total number tours: 5
Visitors per tour average: 7.8

CHRISTIAN IMAGES / BYZANTINE ICONS

Total visitors toured: 24

Total number tours: 5

Visitors per tour average: 4.8

AYCOCK AND STUART

Total visitors toured: 43

Total number tours: 6

Visitors per tour average: 7.2

Notes:

Numbers are based on number of tours actually given and do not include tours scheduled but not given because there were 0 visitors

“All Tours” statistics include “Special Requests” tours and “Ten Talks” tours

“Regular Tours” statistics include all tours including “Ten Talks” but do not include “Special Requests”

2 Portraits tours had 0 visitors; thus, 7 tours were scheduled but only 5 given.

1 Christian Images/Byzantine Icons tour had 0 visitors; thus, 6 tours were scheduled but only 5 given.

1 Ten Talks evening was a “docent no-show” but another docent present in the museum generously stepped up and did the second of the scheduled talks. Thus, for the month, 8 were scheduled but only 7 given.

There were 3 “Special Request” tours in March.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Holland
Adult Teams Co-Chair

ADULT TEAM CHAIR REPORT
DOCENT COUNCIL BOARD MEETING
MAY 14, 2014

DOCENT TOURING STATISTICS
APRIL 2014

ALL TOURS

Total visitors toured: 422
Total Number Tours: 63
Visitors per Tour average: 6.7

REGULAR TOURS

Total visitors toured: 390
Total Number Tours: 60
Visitors per Tour average: 6.9

SPECIAL REQUEST TOURS

Total visitors toured: 32
Total Number Tours: 3
Visitors per Tour average: 10.6

TEN TALKS

Total visitors toured: 64
Total Number Tours: 7
Visitors per Tour average: 9.1

HIGHLIGHTS

Total visitors toured: 82
Total Number Tours: 18
Visitors per Tour average: 4.5

ASIAN

Total visitors toured: 11
Total Number Tours: 3
Visitors per Tour average: 3.6

EUROPEAN

Total visitors toured: 3
Total Number Tours: 1
Visitors per Tour average: 3

AYCOCK AND STUART

Total visitors toured: 36

Total number tours: 8

Visitors per tour average: 4.5

HEAVENLY BODIES

Total visitors toured: 67

Total number tours: 9

Visitors per tour average: 7.4

TECHNIQUES

Total visitors toured: 73

Total number tours: 9

Visitors per tour average: 8.1

SLOW ART DAY

Total visitors toured: 54

Total number tours: 5

Visitors per tour average: 11

Notes:

Numbers are based on number of tours actually given and do not include tours scheduled but not given because there were 0 visitors

“All Tours” statistics include “Special Requests” tours and “Ten Talks” tours

“Regular Tours” statistics include all tours including “Ten Talks” but do not include “Special Requests”

3 Highlights tours had 0 visitors; thus, 21 tours were scheduled but only 18 given.

2 Europe tours had 0 visitors; thus, 3 tours were scheduled but only 1 given.

1 Heavenly Bodies tour had 0 visitors; thus, 10 tours were scheduled but only 9 given.

1 Ten Talks tour had 0 visitors; thus, 8 tours were scheduled but only 7 given.

One of the Special Requests tours was a “no show” for the visitor group. Thus, 4 tours were scheduled but only 3 given.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Holland
Adult Teams Co-Chair

Santa Barbara Museum of Art
Docent Council Board of Directors

Student Teams Report

April 2014

Museum Tours

Number of Students 421
Number of Tours 16
Grade Levels 4-2nd. grade; 5-3rd. grade, 1-4th, 6-6th. grade
Schools: Aliso, Carp MS, Foothill, Mnt View, Montecito Union,
Mound, Isla Vista, SB Charter

Classroom Presentations

Number of Students 268
Number of Tours 13
Grade Levels 10-2nd. grade, 3-3rd. grade
Schools: Adams, Isla Vista, La Patera, Montecito Union, SB Charter

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Robinson

Student Team Coordinator

PROVISIONAL CHAIRS: Mary Ellen Hoffman & Ralph Wilson

Mary Ellen reported that after one more resignation, there are six remaining members in the Provisional class. The six losses were due to a variety of issues: one left primarily for work conflict reasons; one because of discomfort with public speaking; one for major changes in life circumstances; and the others for health of themselves or family members. She and Ralph both emphasized that the remaining members will make incredibly outstanding additions to the Docent Council.

She noted that Thursday, May 15th, is the last regular Provisional class meeting. On May 22nd the group will be evaluated for their Highlights tours. The afternoon exercise of having each provisional present one piece from his/her Highlights tour has been very successful. May 29th will be a ½ day meeting to go over scheduling for the summer. Graduation is Friday, June 6th.

May 6th was the Recruitment Tea with approximately 18 interested persons in attendance.

RESEARCH: Barbara Boyd

Barbara expressed the need to develop a Research Committee made up of docents with specific subject matter expertise. This committee would serve in an advisory capacity to assist the Research Chair in the preliminary review of research papers still in the process of formal curatorial vetting. Only those papers related to date-specific exhibitions will be reviewed.

EVALUATIONS: Paul Guido

No statement this month.

WEBMASTER: Mike Ramey

One of our goals this year has been to archive all of the exhibition materials we place on the website. In the case of visiting exhibitions, however, this conflicted with an SBMA requirement that all images of loaned objects be destroyed at the end of the exhibition. The Director of Education kindly intervened on our behalf, consulted as necessary, and obtained permission for us to archive all materials placed on the website. Thank you Patsy.

PAST PRESIDENT/NOMINATIONS: Kathryn Padgett

Nominations have been completed.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: Patsy Hicks and Rachael Kriepps

Rachael noted no formal report this month. Seven applications have been received for the 2014-15 Provisional Class.

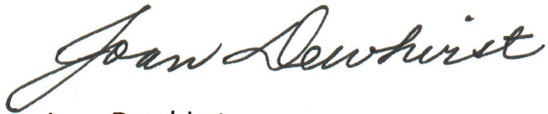
NEW BUSINESS:

There is an open touring date on September 21st. It was decided to make this a Highlights Tour.

ADJOURNMENT: President Vikki Duncan adjourned the meeting at 10:55 AM.

NEXT MEETING: The Double Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 11, 2014, in Luria Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joan Dewhirst". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Joan Dewhirst
Secretary