

CBBAG - OTTAWA VALLEY

Minutes

June 10, 2015

Theme: Annual General Meeting

Chair

Next year's meetings will be held upstairs in the Games Room. Thanks to Spike for asking.

Maggie and Spike reported on a successful time at Manotick's Dickinson Days, on June 6, although their side of the street was rather cold. Children made almost 50 little books. Having the tablecloth on the table made our group look professional, as well as attracted questions about book repairs. In addition, flyers were handed out.

It was noted that our fees to hold meetings are \$162 for the year. Since our designation is open group, the fees are much lower. Open means that anyone can attend our meetings.

Mary accepted proxy votes and Steve passed out invitations for his and Gayle's BBQ in August.

Workshops

Bookbinding II with Dan Mezza was very good. He will be returning later this month, June 27-28, to do a workshop on leather. It is now full.

Other news

Mary noted that not much had been submitted to the e-newsletter. Susan offered to send a picture of Dan Mezza teaching, along with a one-line blurb, to Anne.

Show and tell

Susan and Spike showed the books they had made in Bookbinding II.

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Roxanne explained about the new executive position, that is, of having a co-chair. This position would be for one year, then the co-chair would advance to take the chair for the second year. Every September, a co-chair will be elected.

The role of the events coordinator is a big one. Instead of having a designated "two year job", we will have ad hoc committees, composed of interested members. Last year, we put on three exhibitions with ad hoc committees. We hope to hold another book arts show next year, provided we can find a venue. Kelly, Josiane, Spike and Larry are looking after the details, and will report back to the executive. It was noted that Larry has good notes about how to organize events.

Since meeting attendance increased this year, starting in February (the night of Larry's presentation on Greyweathers Press), making it difficult to limit the meeting time to two hours, we wish to change our meeting format. Beginning in September, the business portion with the executive will start earlier. The

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chair can then report to the members on it and a discussion with the group can take place, as well as leave good time for other news, show and tell, and the program.

On May 18, a meeting was held at Gayle's, to consider the programs and workshops for the coming year. As the meeting programs consisted mostly of presentations this past series, they sought to find a balance, adding more hands-on demonstrations for the next series.

The schedule for meetings is as follows:

September 9, Holly on Wabi Sabi
October 14, Gayle will lead "Tricks of the trade", members are invited to share their favorite book arts tips
November 11, Geneviève and Maria will give part II of the 32nd IPH congress, including a hands-on examination of watermarks and information recording.
December 9, Christmas party, with gift exchange or other festive activity
January 13, Movie Night
February 10, Gayle on Wheel Chart booklets (volvelles)
March 9, Spike on Page Design
April 13, planning the book arts show
May 11, the swap (to be determined)
June 8, annual general meeting

Workshops for 2015-2016:

September 19: Bookbinding 101 (Spike Minogue)
October 17-18: The Sensuous Book (Martha Cole, guest)
November 14: Cross-structure binding (Val Bridgeman)
December 12: we hope to get Lynn Curry to show us a binding technique used in the Haggadah
January 16+: Wood Engraving II (Larry Thompson), possibly on 2 Saturdays, if people want to carve illustrations. Some previous experience is needed.
February 13: Round Box Making (Spike Minogue)
March 11+ and 18+ (2 3-day weekends): Bookbinding I (Spike Minogue and Mary McIntyre)
April 9 (to be confirmed): Coptic binding on wooden boards (Paul Champion-Demers)
May - no workshop because of the book arts show
Two other ideas: Anne Warburton can do stitching on books, and Susan do Chinese sewing kits.

Seth Apter will present workshops June 10-16, 2016 in Carp, which the West Carleton Arts Society will host. There is room for 14 people in each class.

Treasurer

Spike reported that we have around \$7,000, and that we have made a little money on workshops.

Next Meeting

September 9, Holly on Wabi Sabi

16 in attendance

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