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# **SJSU SAASC Annual Report**



San José State University Society of American Archivists Student Chapter (SAASC)

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## INTRODUCTION

The San José State University Society of American Archivists Student Chapter (SAASC) is pleased to submit to the Society of American Archivists (SAA) Executive Council the 2010-2012 Annual Report on achievements and events.

After a period of relative inactivity, the SAASC officers for the 2010-2011 academic year precipitated increased student engagement in and activity by the chapter. In the following year, SAASC has continued to engage students in the SJSU SLIS Management, Digitization and Preservation of Cultural Heritage and Records (Archival Studies and Records Management) career pathway, encouraging online and in-person involvement in chapter activities.

Our goal for the 2011-2012 academic year was to build on the previous year's efforts to connect archival studies and records management students with professionals in the field, and to provide opportunities for the students to supplement their education with practical experiences.

The document below summarizes SAASC chapter information, as well as notable achievements and events during the academic years spanning 2010-2012.

### MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

The following is a list of SAASC Members during the 2011-2012 academic year, comprised of the students who are enrolled in the SAASC Group Site on D2L, our online learning interface. All members of the chapter are not necessarily members of SAA.

#### Members

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## SUMMARY OF EVENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

#### In-Person Events, 2010-2011

- March 10, 2009 Tour of the Balch Library at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art with Alexis Curry.
- April 1, 2009 Tour of the National Archives, Pacific Region with Randy Thompson.
- May 20, 2009 and July 28, 2010 Tours of the Margaret Herrick Library with Barbara Hall.
- December 7, 2009 and March 4, 2011 Tour of the Huntington Library with Daniel Lewis.
- December 10, 2009 Tour of the Braun Research Library and Southwest Museum with Liza Posas.
- March 31, 2010 Members met with May Haduong at the Academy Film Archive.
- May 10, 2010 Stanford Music Library and Archive of Recorded Sound-Tour with Jerry McBride, Head Librarian. The tour consisted of Jerry talking about the collection and allowing members to look around the archive.
- May 25, 2010 SAASC co-organized an LA as Subject Mixer with MLIS students from UCLA and SJSU and LA archivists and librarians at The Dresden bar.
- May 26, 2010 and August 9, 2010 BAM/PFA-Tour with Nancy Goldman, Head of the PFA Library and Film Study Center. Nancy showed members the library, archive, and screening room, and talked about their collection and resources.
- June 14, 2010 Museum of Performance and Design-Tour with Kristen Tanaka, the Head Librarian and Archivist. Kristen showed members around the museum and talked about their current exhibitions. She also allowed access to the library and talked about their collections.
- June 30, 2010 Bay Area Television Archive-Tour with Alex Cherian, Film Archivist. Alex showed the equipment that he uses for remastering and color correction of 16mm film onto digital formats and explained the transfer process. He showed some footage that he had recently worked on.
- July 19, 2010 SF Media Archive/Oddball Film + Video-Tour with Stephen Parr, Archive Director. Stephen's assistant Ellie, initially headed the tour of the archive, pointing out newly acquired collections and explaining what they do. Stephen then talked a little bit about the company and archive.

- October 20, 2010 National Archives and Records Administration Tour with Daniel Nealand, Director of Archives, and Peggie Tran-Le, former Archivist now at SFMOMA. Daniel and Peggy showed members around the facilities and explained the process that researchers, and the public, have to go through to use the resources. Peggy showed the stacks and talked about a few pieces in the collection. They both then spent some time answering questions and handing out pamphlets on NARA.
- November 3, 2010 Stanford Special Collections/Green Library-Tour with Mattie Taormina, Head of Public Service and Processing Manuscripts Librarian. Mattie showed members around Green briefly, introduced the staff for the Special Collections and Archives, and took members to the Special Collections reading room to talk about a few of the items they house there.
- November 11, 2010 SFMOMA Library and Archives-Tour with Barbara Rominski, Head Librarian. Barbara sat with members in the library's reading room and talked about their collection. She also discussed the process for researchers to request and access materials and she brought out several finding aids for review.
- December 8, 2010 Tour of Twentieth Century Fox Research Library and Photo Archive with Lu Abbott.
- March 24, 2011 SF Maritime Museum Library and Archives/J. Porter Shaw Library-Tour with Gina Bardi, Reference Librarian, and Ted Miles, Reference Historian. Members received a behind-the-scenes tour of the library and archives.
- May 28, 2011 CA Genealogical Society-Tour with Tim Cox, Events Committee Volunteer, and Kathryn Doyle. The volunteers held a class on genealogy and helped members perform research using their resources.
- August 5, 2011 California Academy of Sciences-Tour with Danielle Castronovo, former Archives and Digital Collections Librarian now with NYPL. We got a tour of the library and archives, more of a behind the scenes tour.

#### In-Person Events, 2011-2012

- January 12, 2012 Chapter members met at the Library and Archives at the California Academy of Sciences with Digital Projects Manager Christina Fidler, to tour the archives stacks, visit the digitization lab to learn about an IMLS-funded Connecting Content project, and talk with Christina and Danielle Castronovo (Archives and Digital Collections Librarian) about archival careers.
- March 8, 2012 SAASC arranged a tour of the Stanford Special Collections and University Archives, with University Archivist Daniel Hartwig. Members visited the Reading Room and processing areas and spoke with Daniel about the future of archival work, job opportunities, and digital preservation.

- March 9, 2012 Chapter members attended a tour of the Mount St. Mary's College Archives, led by Archivist and SJSU SLIS instructor Vicky McCargar. The tour provided access to the archives stacks and special collections and included a discussion of the impact of the religious affiliation of an institution on the archives collection policy.
- March 21, 2012 Archivist Barbara Hall led seven chapter members through a tour of the Margaret Herrick Library. The group viewed the reference collection, the newlyimplemented online catalog, select items from the archives, visited the photographic storage area and preservation labs, and the poster preservation labs. During the tour, members had the opportunity to speak with Matt Severson (Photograph Curator) and Anne Coco (Graphic Arts Librarian) about their areas of specialty.
- April 20, 2012 SAASC joined Getty Research Institute Library, SAA Student Chapter-UCLA Department of Information Studies, UCLA Records Management, UCLA Library Special Collections, and University of Southern California University Archives in co-sponsoring the Fourth Annual Los Angeles Area Archivists Get-Together at UCLA University Archives. Members had the opportunity to meet colleagues and vendors and share information through informal discussion - including updates from the August 2011 Society of American Archivists (SAA) conference and the Society of California Archivists meeting in Ventura, CA.
- May 10, 2012 Chief Curator of Manuscripts Daniel Lewis conducted a tour of the Huntington Library. The group viewed the current exhibit "Beautiful Science: Ideas that Changed the World," visited the state-of-the-art Imaging Services department, and learned about manuscript curation and exhibit design.

#### Virtual Events, 2010-2011

- November 29, 2010 -- Presentations by SJSU SAA student chapter members Susan Gehr, Lindsay Moxley, and Eira Tansey.
- January 31, 2011 -- Perian Sully, Balboa Park Online Collaborative.
- February 28, 2011 -- Presentations by SJSU SAA student chapter members Kate Tasker and Stephanie Roach.
- March 28, 2011 Rochelle McCune, Archivist at Gap and Aubrey Carrier, Wells Fargo Corporate Archives.
- April 25, 2011 Louis Jones, Regent for Outreach for the Academy of Certified Archivists (ACA).
- May 23, 2011 -- Anne Hall, Research Librarian and Archivist at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.
- September 28, 2011 -- Terry Baxter, Multnomah County (Oregon) records manager/archivist and past chair of SAA's diversity committee.

#### Virtual Events, 2011-2012

- November 28, 2011 -- Christina Fidler, SJSU SLIS alum and projects manager at the California Academy of Sciences.
- December 9, 2011-January 24, 2012 -- Chapter members participated in a Winter Break Book Club to discuss the themes of preservation, access, and knowledge in Walter M. Miller's classic science-fiction novel A Canticle for Leibowitz.
- January 30, 2012 Kate Theimer, author of the blog ArchivesNext, books entitled Web 2.0 Tools and Strategies for Archives and Local History Collections and A Different Kind of Web: New Connections between Archives and Our Users, and SAA Councilmember.
- February 27, 2012 -- Victoria McCargar, SJSU professor of preservation management and archivist at the Mount St. Mary's College Archives.
- March 22, 2012 -- SAASC joined SJSU student chapters of the American Library Association (ALASC) and the American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) to co-host a virtual student mixer in Second Life. The event encouraged the use of virtual communication tools and promoted social and professional exchanges between student groups. The event included a business card exchange, a tour of virtual Paris, and dancing.
- March 26, 2012 -- Karen Sundheim and Susan Goldstein, Librarian and Archivist from the Hormel Gay and Lesbian Archives at the San Francisco Public Library.
- April 30, 2012 Cory Nimer, SJSU SLIS alum and Manuscripts Cataloger/Metadata Specialist in the L. Tom Perry Special Collections at Brigham Young University.

#### Achievements

- The chapter started a Facebook page, which has 164 members at the time of this report's compilation.
- SAASC Collaborated with other library and information science professional groups within San Jose State University as well as at other institutions.
- Appointed a task force to revise the chapter constitution, which was approved by the membership in May 2012.
- Chapter officers designed and launched a new chapter web site.
- SAASC SJSU chose a new chapter log from member designs.