

McGill University
Student
Association of Canadian Archivists
2023-2024

Chapter Meeting
Feb.8 2023, 12.30-1.30 @ Thompson House

General Housekeeping

- New Exec Members! Amelia Keenan- secretary, Kevin Mancini- financial officer
- Vote on constitution change.
 - “The position of Coordinator cannot be held by a student in his/her first year at the School of Information Studies (SIS).” Motion passed- the constitution will be amended and Natasha Fisher will hold the position of Coordinator for this council’s term.
- MyInvolvement account submitted.
 - For ACA membership, you must be a member of the ACA to receive credit. ([sign up here](#))

Proposed Chapter Focus for 2023 is on networking for our future careers, therefore interest will be gauged on the following-

- Archives representation at the career fair. Meeting participants were invited to put their suggestions in the chat for organizations they would like to see at the career fair.
- Workshop on making job applications to archive organizations (led by industry professionals). A practical workshop to discuss skills and knowledge that participants need and things that can help candidates stand out when they make applications.
- Outings/Tours in archives. Meeting participants were invited to mention specific archives of interest and share contacts at archives.

Pause for comments. No verbal comments. Approval in the chat.

- Archive display at McLennan library- plan a takeover/ shadowing. Opinions on this were requested.
- Resurrecting the planned AMA (ask me anything) panel with industry professionals that was canceled in 2022. Explained that the previous group had arranged a formal panel online that was canceled but as this group is small it is suggested that we take a less formal, smaller scale approach.

- Coffee mornings / informal chats at Thompson house with industry professionals.

Members were invited to reach out with contacts and ideas for future events. Members are welcomed to approach council members with ideas whenever they see them.

Messages from the ACA:

- Summer Conference proposal deadline
 - *“Submit a proposal to present at the PEI conference by February 10! All you need to submit is a 250-word description of your presentation and a brief biography. Three successful submissions also receive complimentary conference registration (\$212.50 value) and a monetary award (\$2500 will be split between three students and pro-rated by distance).”*
 - The conference is in person in Charlottetown, PEI, from June 28 to July 1, 2023.
 - <https://archivists.ca/ACA-2023-Emerging-Voices>
 - The conference website is here: <https://archivists.ca/ACA-2023>
- Update to the Canadian Museum Policy Renewal.
 - *“The next Museum Policy, for the period beyond 2023, will set out aspirations for the museums of the future and have an impact on how we protect our heritage and how Canadians will be able to access it.”*
 - <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/renewal-museum-policy.html>
 - The ACA will be holding meetings and Town halls to get archivists involved in this process.

Upcoming Programs & Events:

- Jill - Note about the UBC Symposium

This is the link to register (it is free). 4 students will give 15 minute lightning talks. SIMPSA archives opened for students to get involved- this will be covered in 1 of the talks.

<https://www.showpass.com/acaubc-14th-annual-international-seminar-symposium/>

<https://acasymposium.arts.ubc.ca/program/>

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