

AHA 2012 ballot announced

Nominating committee members Annie Golden and M.J. Figard have put together a great slate of candidates for this year's election. Thanks for their efforts, and thanks to all those who have graciously agreed to run for office. Read about the candidates below and come to the holiday party on December 8th to cast your votes!

VICE-PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT

Vince Lee

Currently serving as Lead Archivist and Acting Assistant Manager at the African American Library at the Gregory School for the past two and half years. Received certification from the Academy of Certified Archivists on September 2010. Prior experience includes serving two years as Archival Assistant at the Charles H Wright Museum of African American History in Detroit, Michigan. Education includes Masters in Library and Information Science (MLIS) and Certificate in Archival Administration from Wayne State University.

Lorraine Stuart

Lorraine A. Stuart, C.A., has headed the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston archives and records management programs since 1995. Lorraine earned her MLIS with an archival specialization from Louisiana State University of Baton Rouge and graduated with honors from the University of Texas at Austin with a B.A. in art history and history. She served on the nominating committee of Archivists of the Houston Area (2002, 2009), the executive board of Society of Southwest Archivists (2005-07), and chaired the Jameson award committee of the Society of American Archivists (2008).

TREASURER

Terry Brown

Terry Brown volunteering at the Museum of Fine Arts archives 25 years ago. She has been a volunteer for many community organizations, and began the Houston Symphony Archives in 2001, serving as their Volunteer Archivist since then. In a previous incarnation Terry worked as an accountant in the oil and gas industry, and subsequently as a CPA.

Andy Hempe

Andy Hempe was an archivist at the Houston Metropolitan Research Center, Houston Public Library, for nine years. He has a Master's Degree in Library Science with an emphasis in archives from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and a Certificate of Advanced Studies in Electronic Records and Digitization from the School of Information at the University of Texas at Austin. He was founding treasurer of AHA!, and has served on various committees for AHA! and the Society of Southwest Archivists. He is recognized by the Academy of Certified Archivists as a certified archivist. Currently he is a reference librarian at Houston Community College.

SECRETARY

Dara Flinn

I'm Dara Flinn, and I had the pleasure of serving as AHA Secretary for 2011. I'm an archivist and special collections librarian in my second year of practice at the Woodson Research Center at Rice University, where I interned in 2009. This year I also passed my C. A. exam, thanks to study help from my wonderful colleagues.

Leslie Richards

Leslie Richards is a native Houstonian and alumnus of the University of St. Thomas where she earned her BA in History and her MLA with a concentration in History. She is currently employed at NASA where she oversees NASA Johnson Space Center's digital archive of on-orbit, manned mission video. Prior to her employment at NASA, she served as an

intern for the NASA JSC Oral History Project and volunteered at The Heritage Society and the Harris County Archives. Leslie is a member of the American Historical Association, the Greater Houston Preservation Alliance, and a Houston History Association board member.

Liz Sargent

Elizabeth Sargent is currently the Manager of the Houston Metropolitan Research Center (HMRC) which is part of the Houston Public Library. She began her tenure with Houston Public Library in 2008; first as Collection Development Librarian/Archivist in the HMRC where she selected new and rare materials for this special collection. She became the Collection Development Librarian/Lead Archivist in 2009. She was promoted to Assistant Manager/Lead Archivist in October 2010 and served as Acting Manager of HMRC from April 2011 to October 2011. She is a Certified Archivist as well. Ms. Sargent holds a BA in Speech Communications from Sam Houston State University, and two Master's degrees; one in Library and Information Science from Texas Woman's University and a Masters of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from Sam Houston State University. She is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Library Science from Texas Woman's University with a concentration in Special Collections and Archives in Public Libraries.