

THE CAMILLE AND ERIC DURAND DOCENT COUNCIL

Orange COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART

Docent Doings

October 2015

President's Message

Dear Docents,

It was gratifying to see so many docents at the September 28th General Council meeting. We had the opportunity to hear Todd Smith, Director and CEO of OCMA, speak about the State of the Museum (it's very sound), to be introduced to various staff members, and to hear more about upcoming exhibitions. Todd also brought us up to date on progress towards a new museum site.

We also had the pleasure of welcoming Cassandra Coblentz, Director of Public Engagement. Cassandra has an impressive background in arts education as well as that as a curator of a number of exhibitions. She will be working directly with council members as we start the schedule of tours. And I'm happy to let you know that Cassandra will also be involved in planning some of our field trips and other docent activities.

Kudos to thank Gale Edelberg and Phyllis Mandel, Hospitality Co-chairs for planning the Fall Luncheon. From the very creative invitation through dessert the current exhibition was highlighted. And thank you to of those docents who prepared the 'yummy' lunch.

Two new exhibitions will open on November 7th, *R. Luke Dubois: Now and*

Sadow Birk: American Qur'an. Cassandra Coblentz and Alyssa Cordoba will be giving the briefings. Please plan to attend, as important information relative to touring will be discussed.

Some other dates to calendar: Friday November 6th, a walkthrough at 2:00pm: and at the November 9th Council Meeting, a Continuing Education program. Additional information can be found in IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER.

I would be remiss not to mention the passing of fellow docent Connie Sakamoto. Connie became a docent in 2000. During her years as a docent in addition to touring children she took on many responsibilities as a board member, not the least of which was putting together the monthly Docent Doings. She was a gentle woman and always helpful and encouraging to fellow docents. Through the generosity of our membership a donation in her memory has been made to the American Parkinson's Disease Association to fund various service programs in the Orange County area. And, on behalf of the entire Docent Council, I would like to offer our condolences to Anita Mishook on the loss of her husband, Stan.

ROSTER CHANGES/ADDITIONS:

1. Ann Anderson email address: RFAnderson@aol.com

2. Nancy Kiddie email address:
nkiddie@me.com

Thank you for your continuing commitment to the Docent Council and, as always, if you have any questions or suggestions for programs during the year please contact me.

Joyce Rosenblum
President
Sustaining Docent 2000

Important Dates to Remember

10.11.15

My Generation: Young Chinese Artists closes.

10.12.15 – 10:00am

Docent Council General Meeting and briefing on *R. Luke DuBois: Now*, and *Sadow Birk: American Qur'an*, the exhibitions scheduled to open on November 7, 2015.

The exhibition research links can be found in this edition of *Docent Doings*

11.02.15 – 10:00am

Docent Council Board Meeting

11.06.15 – 2:00-3:30pm

Walkthrough for the *R. Luke DuBois: Now* and *Sadow Birk: American Qur'an* exhibitions.

11.08.15 – Time TBD

R. Luke DuBois in conversation with Cassandra Coblenz. Sadow Birk will lead a walkthrough in gallery. Olga Lah will be in the Pavilion to discuss her artwork.

11.09.15 – 10:00am

Docent Council General Meeting with Continuing Education program (part one)

11.16.15 – 10:00am

Part two of Continuing Education

Fall 2015 Availability

Please submit your touring availability for the upcoming exhibit by **Friday, October 16.**

<https://ocmatours.wufoo.com/forms/r1s1sjuv09nl93e/>

Fall 2015 Research Links

Sadow Birk:

<http://www.sadowbirk.com/>

<http://www.koplindelrio.com/content/sadow-birk>

<http://cclarkgallery.com/artists/series/sadow-birk>

<http://cclarkgallery.com/artists/press/sadow-birk>

<http://www.ppowgallery.com/artist/sadow-birk/available-work#&panel1-1>

<http://www.dantefilm.com/>

Luke DuBois:

<http://lukedubois.com/>

<http://www.bitforms.com/artists/dubois>

<http://engineering.nyu.edu/user/1797>

<http://www.ringling.org/events/r-luke-dubois-now>

<http://www.nytimes.com/2014/01/12/arts/design/r-luke-dubois-mines-data-to-reveal-art.html? r=2>

http://www.artspace.com/magazine/interviews/features/meet_the_artist/luke_dubois_at_the_ringling-52028

Olga Lah:

<http://olgalah.com/home.html>

Upcoming Field Trip: Faith Wilding and Corita Kent in Pasadena

A trip to Pasadena is being organized to see the Faith Wilding exhibit at the Armory, and work by Corita Kent at the Museum of California Art on Thursday, October 22nd. The group will leave OCMA at 10:00am and return by 4:00pm. We will be traveling by carpool.

Please contact Mary Blacker at jaxon22@cox.net regarding attendance and carpooling.

Seeking Photographs from Docent Activities

The Docent Council is seeking photographs taken at docent-related events during the last two years to augment our history keeping efforts.

Please email any relevant images (along with the date and title of the event at which they were taken) to Docent Council Historian Ann Marie

Rousseau at
amrousseau@mindspring.com

November Reading Group Selection

The reading group will meet on Monday, November 2nd to discuss How to Live: Or a Life of Montaigne in One Question and Twenty Attempts at an Answer by Sarah Bakewell.

For all of the planned upcoming selections, please see the entire 2015-2016 reading list attached.

Upcoming Birthdays

October:

Barbara DeGroot – 10/31

November:

Mary Lee Gair – 11/5

Jackie Engebretson – 11/20

Bonita Stern – 11/23

Call for Contributors

As always, *Docent Doings* is looking to increase its offerings of unique, original content pertaining to the OCMA docent experience. If you attend a fieldtrip, view a film during Movie Madness, take part in book club, or participate in any other docent activity and are interested in writing about your experience, we'd love to hear from you!

Deadline for the next *Docent Doings*

Monday, October 26, 2015

Submit all copy to:
desiree.glenn@gmail.com

**Orange County Docent League:
Upcoming Meeting**

*HELLO – ORANGE COUNTY
DOCENT LEAGUE MEMBERS AND
FRIENDS*

Please put the next OCDL event on your
calendar = NOVEMBER 2, 2015 !!!!!

**GUESS WHAT SMALL BUT MIGHTY CREATURE IS SHARING THE
HISTORIC TAILS (PUN ON WORDS) AT THE STANLEY RANCH?**

JOIN US NOVEMBER 2 TO FIND OUT.

Plus, have fun networking, making new friends and letting us all know what are
the latest activities happening at your site.

Warmly, with much regards for all you do to continue Orange Counties legacy of
excellence!

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2015-2016 Reading List

DATE	BOOK	LEADER
May 4	<u>The Blazing World</u> , Siri Hustvedt (369 pp)	Anita
June 1	No book group meeting because of conflict with old/new board; spring luncheon	
July 6	<u>The Heist</u> , Daniel Silva (497 pp)	Katherine
Aug 3	<u>Seeing is Forgetting the Name of the Thing One Sees</u> , Lawrence Weschler (336 pp)	
Sept 7	date conflicts: 9/7 Labor Day; 9/14 Rosh Hashanah; fall luncheon	
Oct. 5	<u>Rendez-vous with Art</u> , Phillippe De Montebello (248 pp)	
Nov. 2	<u>How to Live: Or a Life of Montaigne in One Question and Twenty Attempts at an Answer</u> , Sarah Bakewell (401 pp)	Karen
Dec. 7	Holiday	
Jan. 4	<u>Lisette's List</u> , Susan Vreeland (433 pp)	Mary
Feb. 1	<u>33 Artists in 3 Acts</u> , Sarah Thornton (448 pp)	
March 7	<u>Master Thieves</u> , Stephen Kurkjian (274 pp)	Diane
April 6	<u>History of Beauty</u> , Umberto Eco (440 pp)	Nancy
May 9	<u>Out of Sight</u> , William Hackman	