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ARLIS/NA Honors Judy Dyki with the 2023 Distinguished Service Award

WESTFORD, Massachusetts – The Art Libraries Society of North America (ARLIS/NA) is pleased to announce Judy Dyki as the recipient of the 2023 Distinguished Service Award. She is the 33rd person to receive the Society's highest honor. The Distinguished Service Award recognizes an individual whose exemplary service in art librarianship, visual resources curatorship, or a related field has made an outstanding national or international contribution to art information.

The award was presented to Judy at the Society's 52nd anniversary conference and convocation ceremony in Pittsburgh, on Thursday, April 4, 2024, by Lori Salmon.

Judy's active involvement in ARLIS/NA goes back to March 1977. Little did Judy (or any of us) know how far she would go in tending to the Society's communication channels over the next 40 years with the utmost care, diligence, professionalism, and impact.

As editor of Art Documentation, Judy has been responsible for editorial principles and practices that conform to the conventions in our field while adhering to rigorous, fair, and timely peer review. She has done this while mentoring generations of writers with a positive mindset, genuine interest, and curiosity.

Judy has been moderating the Society's primary daily communication channel, ARLIS-L, since 2006. It is nearly impossible to fathom the amount of work and attention needed to perform this service on behalf of all of us, nonstop for such an extended period, and with so few hiccups. She has ensured the efficiency of our professional communication without ever pointing out the effort that goes into it. She has done this work with extreme efficacy and diplomacy.

Her colleagues' testimonials indicate that Judy has served as a lynchpin in the life of the Cranbrook Academy of Art, and provided the same sustaining "quiet leadership" to Cranbrook as she has to ARLIS/NA.



Another letter of support states: “Where would ARLIS/NA be if not for Judy’s unceasing dedication and commitment to the very highest standards of ARLIS? Her career has been one of outstanding and sustained service to our Society.”

For her contribution to art librarianship and to ARLIS/NA in particular, the Society is pleased to honor Judy Dyki with the 2023 Distinguished Service Award.

The nomination was submitted by Lori Salmon and Maria Oldal. Members of the 2023 ARLIS/NA Distinguished Service Award Subcommittee were: Cara List (Chair), Courtney Hunt, Gwen Mayhew, and Laura Graveline.

About the Art Libraries Society of North America

Founded in 1972, the Art Libraries Society of North America (ARLIS/NA) is a dynamic, international organization of close to 1,000 individuals devoted to fostering excellence in art and design librarianship and image management in the United States, Canada and Mexico. The membership includes architecture and art librarians, visual resources professionals, artists, curators, educators, publishers, students, and others interested in visual arts information. To serve this diverse constituency, the Society provides a wide range of programs and services within an organizational structure that encourages participation at every level.

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