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### **ANNOUNCING THE 2024 ARLIS/NA H.W. WILSON FOUNDATION RESEARCH AWARD**

WESTFORD, Massachusetts – The Art Libraries Society of North America (ARLIS/NA) is pleased to announce this year's recipient of the ARLIS/NA H.W. Wilson Foundation Research Award.

The H.W. Wilson Foundation Research Award supports research activities by ARLIS/NA individual members in the fields of librarianship, visual resources curatorship, and the arts. The award encourages the professional development of members in their capacities as information intermediaries and as subject specialists in the arts.

The recipient for 2024 is Becky Alexander for her project *Final Chapters: How Academic Art Librarians Navigate Institutional Closure* which will explore the decision-making processes for library and archival collections, emotional and professional challenges, support provided to students, and the final destinations of collections and other resources. Alexander plans to publish an article for *Art Documentation*, propose a panel for the 2026 ARLIS/NA Conference, and develop a website to serve as a supplementary resource.

The members of the ARLIS/NA Research Awards Sub-Committee are: Lynn Kawaratani (Chair), Stacy Nakamura Brinkman, and Karen DeWitt.

#### **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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