

MCBA

MINNESOTA CENTER FOR BOOK ARTS
FY2014 ANNUAL REPORT

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The Board of Directors and staff of MCBA are pleased to present our 2014 Annual Report. This annual report covers MCBA's Fiscal Year 2014, which spans May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2014. MCBA made every effort to acknowledge all those listed in this report accurately and provide proper recognition for artists and organizations. If we have made any errors or omissions, please notify MCBA Executive Director Jeff Rathermel at 612.215.2525 or jrathermel@mnbookarts.org.

Artwork featured on front cover:

Every visit to Minnesota Center for Book Arts is different — and unforgettable. MCBA is a place to get inspired. Create art hands-on in a professional artist studio. Build a collection of artists' books. Learn new skills and forms of expression. Shop for unique gifts. And much, much more. The opportunities are endless; the experience, enduring.

Mission

The mission of Minnesota Center for Book Arts is **to advance the book as a vital contemporary art form, preserve the traditional crafts of bookmaking, inspire diverse artists and learners, and engage audiences in educational, creative and interpretive experiences.**

MCBA serves a broad spectrum of the artist community, including letterpress printers and printmakers, papermakers, bookbinders, graphic designers, cartoonists, calligraphers and art educators. Opportunities at MCBA attract creative individuals in other disciplines as well, exposing writers, photographers, illustrators, filmmakers, sculptors, textile artists, musicians, graffiti artists, poets and performance artists to the book arts. Diverse participation strengthens the field and helps to advance book arts as a vital and relevant contemporary art form.

But MCBA's mission does not apply only to professional artists and creatives. The mission drives the creation of engaging and accessible opportunities for people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to explore the book arts. Through partnerships with schools and community organizations, MCBA broadens access to the arts and advocates for the use of artmaking in education and social services.

Strategic Vision

For over a quarter-century, Minnesota Center for Book Arts has served as a vital arts resource for audiences and artists and has made significant contributions to this community's cultural depth and diversity. To protect these gains and to preserve its assets as a nationally recognized leader in the book arts field, MCBA will respond to opportunities and challenges facing it by focusing on its mission and three strategic goals: Sustainability, Organizational Effectiveness and Enhanced Visibility.

Values

We deliver excellence in each of our programs, collaborations, projects and associations.

We share a passion for the artist's book and its power to inform and inspire audiences past, present and future. We honor and support the book artist.

We are champions of the book arts — we are stewards of traditional equipment and provide access to that historic technology. We preserve the book arts craft; protect its future; and raise public awareness of the art form.

MCBA's role as an international catalyst and leader in revealing the value and relevancy of book arts is taken very seriously. Artist and education programs are held to a high standard against both our mission and our position as role model to other like-minded institutions across the nation and around the world.

Artist Programs

Book Art Biennial

Book Art Biennial brings together leading scholars and practitioners to explore issues in the creation and appreciation of contemporary artists' books through panel discussions and presentations.

The MCBA Prize

The MCBA Prize is the first honor to recognize excellence in book art from across the field and around the world, celebrating the incredible diversity of this vital artform.

Artist Residencies

MCBA's Artist-in-Residence Program nurtures selected artists by providing dedicated space and funding to produce new work, as well as opportunities to share their expertise with the local community through teaching, public programs and exhibitions.

Fellowships and Mentorships

The Jerome Foundation helps artists push the boundaries of contemporary book arts by supporting the creation of new work through two vital programs. The MCBA/Jerome Book Arts Fellowship provides project grants and technical guidance for selected emerging book artists. The Book Arts Mentorship program introduces the book arts to emerging artists with backgrounds in other visual, literary or performing arts disciplines. Both programs culminate in a major gallery exhibition.

Artist Cooperative

MCBA's artist cooperative provides a community for book artists to access equipment, share technical expertise, promote and consign their work, and collaborate on book arts projects.

Exhibitions

MCBA's world-class exhibitions program is designed to involve, inform and inspire visitors by showcasing the book in all its contexts — aesthetic, historic, cultural and commercial.

Education Programs

Youth Workshops and Classroom Residencies

During hands-on workshops in MCBA's studios or in their school, students learn how to make paper, print, and/or bind a book. MCBA instructors also collaborate with teachers and staff at all grade levels and age groups to plan comprehensive, custom-designed book arts residencies that allow teachers to integrate the visual and literary excitement of the book arts into their curriculum goals.

Adult Workshops

Workshops are offered from introductory to master levels with local instructors as well as visiting artists from around the world. MCBA's Book Arts Certificate Program recognizes dedicated adult students who complete significant coursework in the book arts and demonstrate proficiency across book arts disciplines.

Preschool and Family Workshops

MCBA's workshops for preschoolers provide authentic studio art experiences for children 3 to 5 years old, focusing on pre-literacy skills. Adults are active participants in the classes, learning and working alongside preschoolers on a variety of hands-on activities.

Teacher Workshops

MCBA's teacher workshops offer instruction in basic techniques and integration of book arts into classroom curriculum. MCBA also regularly presents at teacher conferences and school in-service days.

Community Programs and MCBA On The Road

Community education programming extends MCBA's reach throughout Minnesota and beyond by partnering with library systems, community festivals, service organizations, and other arts and cultural centers. Working in partnership with local arts organizations throughout the state, MCBA On The Road extends our educational reach to greater Minnesota through classes, exhibitions and free open house events designed to introduce the book arts to new participants, providing visitors of all ages with new opportunities for learning, creativity and self-expression.

Statement of Activities: FY2013 (May 1, 2013 – April 30, 2014)

SUPPORT AND REVENUES	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Contributions:				
Individuals	\$ 90,412	\$	\$	\$ 90,412
Corporate	6,960			6,960
Foundation	34,172	106,082		140,254
Government	76,514			76,514
Program Service Fees	154,401			154,401
Shop Sales	140,106			140,106
Tuition	103,506			103,506
Facilities Rental	25,194			25,194
Membership Fees	12,293			12,293
In-Kind Contributions	10,504			10,504
Miscellaneous	1,526			1,526
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	170,126	(170,126)		—
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUES	\$ 825,714	\$ 64,044	\$ —	\$ 761,670
EXPENSES				
Program Services:				
Artist Programs	42,781			42,781
Education Programs	367,042			367,042
Exhibit, Shop and Studio Programs	276,358			276,358
Total Program Services	686,181	—	—	686,181
Support Services:				
Management and General	95,462			95,462
Fundraising	119,387			119,387
Total Support Services	214,849	—	—	214,849
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 901,030	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 901,030
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(75,316)	(64,044)	—	(139,360)
NET ASSETS, Beginning of Year	38,484	204,968	65,000	308,452
NET ASSETS, End of Year	\$ (36,832)	\$ 140,9247	\$ 65,000	\$ 109,062

For complete financial statements with notes and references, or for FY2012 comparison, please request a copy of the FY2013 Independent Auditors' Report.

Balance Sheet (as of April 30, 2014 and 2013)

ASSETS	2014	2013
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$ 22,904	\$ 112,692
Accounts Receivable	5,491	10,367
Contributions Receivable	92,407	138,540
Inventories	79,380	78,769
Prepaid Expenses	4,054	6,864
Total Current Assets	204,236	347,232
Property and Equipment:		
Furniture and Equipment	147,673	147,673
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(129,476)	(123,297)
Net Property and Equipment	18,197	24,376
Other Assets:		
Collections	4,700	—
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 227,133	\$ 371,608
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	29,544	31,569
Deferred Revenue	17,864	30,375
Line of Credit	10,000	—
Other Liabilities	633	1,212
Total Current Liabilities	58,041	63,156
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted:		
Undesignated	(86,832)	(11,516)
Board Designated for Cash Reserve	35,000	35,000
Board Designated for Operating Reserve	15,000	15,000
Total Unrestricted	(36,832)	38,484
Temporarily Restricted	140,924	204,968
Permanently Restricted	65,000	65,000
Total Net Assets	169,092	308,452
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 227,133	\$ 371,608

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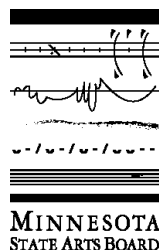
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Craftstravaganza
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Grace Minnesota
Guthrie Theater
Hennepin County Library
Highpoint Center for Printmaking
In the Heart of the Beast Puppet and Mask Theatre
IFP Center for Media Arts
International Cartoonist Conspiracy
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Minnesota Book Awards
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