

# MCBA

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MINNESOTA CENTER FOR BOOK ARTS  
**FY2017 ANNUAL REPORT**

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The Board of Directors and staff of MCBA are pleased to present our 2017 Annual Report. This annual report covers MCBA's Fiscal Year 2017, which spans May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017. 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 Interim Executive Director Amanda Kaler at 612.215.2531 or [akaler@mnbookarts.org](mailto:akaler@mnbookarts.org).

Cover: detail of *Love Letters* by Erica Spitzer Rasmussen

### Mission

The mission of Minnesota Center for Book Arts is **to lead the advancement of the book as an evolving art form.**

MCBA is committed to book art, artists, and appreciators. Our mission is achieved through quality programs that support a broad continuum of creators, learners, and admirers. We lead the field by promoting innovation, sustaining traditions, educating new enthusiasts, inspiring creative expression, and honoring artistic excellence. From the traditional crafts of papermaking, letterpress printing, and bookbinding to new methods of art-making and communication, MCBA supports the limitless creative development of book arts.

### Vision

Books and other “contained narratives” have existed for centuries, created through various techniques and taking numerous forms. They chronicled history, celebrated achievements, and communicated collective and personal knowledge. Books as multi-faceted and interdisciplinary methods of communication remain relevant. MCBA’s mission supports an important lasting vision: **a world where book art is created, cultivated, celebrated, and understood as a vital and lasting expression of culture.**

### 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 book arts residencies that allow teachers to integrate 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

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.

## Statement of Activities: FY2017 (May 1, 2016 – April 30, 2017)

<b>SUPPORT AND REVENUES</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Temporarily Restricted</b>	<b>Permanently Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>
Contributions:				
Individuals	\$ 64,988	\$ 9,920	\$	\$ 74,908
Corporate	1,230	7,500		8,730
Foundation	109,625	130,000		239,625
Government	65,494	19,886		85,380
Program Service Fees	179,952			179,952
Shop Sales	173,040			173,040
Tuition	119,525			119,525
Facilities Rental	36,689			36,689
Membership Fees	21,462			21,462
In-Kind Contributions	20,787			20,787
Gala Event	11,650			11,650
Miscellaneous	4,481			4,481
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	150,467	(150,467)		—
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 959,390</b>	<b>\$ 16,839</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 976,229</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Program Services:				
Artist Programs	56,090			56,090
Education Programs	360,401			360,401
Exhibit, Shop and Studio Programs	330,325			330,325
<b>Total Program Services</b>	<b>746,816</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>746,816</b>
Support Services:				
Management and General	91,009			91,009
Fundraising	137,044			137,044
<b>Total Support Services</b>	<b>228,053</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>228,053</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 974,869</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 974,869</b>
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(15,479)	16,839	—	1,360
NET ASSETS, Beginning of Year, as Restated	44,871	104,951	65,000	214,822
<b>NET ASSETS, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 29,392</b>	<b>\$ 121,790</b>	<b>\$ 65,000</b>	<b>\$ 216,182</b>

For complete financial statements with notes and references, or for FY2016 comparison, please request a copy of the FY2017 Independent Auditors' Report.

**Balance Sheet (as of April 30, 2016 and 2017)**

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016 (Restated)</b>
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$ 25,701	\$ 21,058
Accounts Receivable	10,138	3,136
Contributions Receivable	46,015	76,716
Inventories	67,247	97,191
Prepaid Expenses	11,054	7,226
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>160,155</b>	<b>205,327</b>
Property and Equipment:		
Furniture and Equipment	182,320	175,986
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(151,142)	(144,521)
Net Property and Equipment	<b>31,178</b>	<b>31,465</b>
Other Assets:		
Collections	99,340	92,300
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 290,673</b>	<b>\$ 329,092</b>
 <b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$ 31,115	\$ 52,639
Deferred Revenue	21,722	30,245
Line of Credit	15,000	15,000
Loan from Affiliate	5,551	15,501
Other Liabilities	1,103	885
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>74,491</b>	<b>114,270</b>
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted:	29,392	44,871
Temporarily Restricted	121,790	104,951
Permanently Restricted	65,000	65,000
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>216,182</b>	<b>214,822</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 290,673</b>	<b>\$ 329,092</b>

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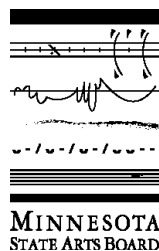
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