

## 2015/2016 Division & Class Report to the ACerS Board of Directors

Division/Class: Art, Archaeology, and Conservation Science (AACS)

Current Division/Class Officers: (complete as appropriate for your Division or Class)

Chair: Pamela Vandiver (vandiver@mse.arizona.edu)
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Treasurer: Blythe McCarthy (MccarBl@si.edu)
Trustee: Edwin Fuller (edwin.fuller@gmail.com)

Incoming Division Officers: (complete as appropriate for your Division or Class)

Positions rotate through daisy chain: Pamela, as past Chair, will become Chair of the Nominating Committee.

Treasurer-elect: Carol Handwerker (handwerker@purdue.edu)

Summary of Meetings and Activities Held/To Be Held (from Oct. 2015 through Oct. 2016):

**Background:** This last year was the fourth full year of the revitalized AACS division (formerly the ACerS Art Division). The division focused on increasing visibility, and generating programmatic content focused on the application of the physical and sciences to the analysis of cultural objects made from glass, ceramic, and metal material. Membership is expected to be approximately 110 members by the end of August 2016, approximately the same as the previous year.

**ACTIVITIES:** The AACS Division of the ACerS has undertaken the following items in 2015-2016:

- Recruited Carol Handwerker, Professor of Materials Engineering, Purdue University, for the AACS Executive daisy-chain, beginning as Treasurer in October 2016
- Another *Bulletin* Cover Story appeared in May 2016: "Ensuring longevity: Ancient glasses help predict durability of vitrified nuclear waste" by Jamie L. Weaver and AACS Secretary John S. McCloy, *et al*.
- Submitted SWOT analysis to ACerS; POC: P. Vandiver

Future Planned Meetings/Activities (from Nov. 2015 – October 2016):

AACS will conduct a two-day symposium during the fall 2016 meeting at MS&T16 in Salt Lake City, UT called "Art and cultural heritage: discovery and education". This symposium will highlight:

- 1. the latest discoveries in the scientific study of cultural heritage, and
- 2. showcase novel strategies that employ cultural heritage for education in engineering and science;

POC: D. Butt & G. Gates

New Initiatives/Opportunities: n/a

Action Items for ACerS Board Consideration at October 22, 2016 meeting: n/a

## Issues/Concerns:

Submitted By: Pamela Vandiver

AACS is indebted to ACerS for providing supplementary funding. Along with virtually all 2016 AACS funds, this additional funding allowed the division to partially subsidize eight students' travel expenses to present their research at the AACS-hosted symposium at MS&T16, along with one Egyptian conservator.

The entire AACS Executive wishes to express our deepest appreciation and gratitude for this financial support from ACerS. ACerS supplementary funding makes student support possible.

Additional Items of Note:
Financial Statement: (Including year-end summary of expenditures from the Division's Funds)

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