

Arlis/ANZ Victorian Chair's Report 2016

While the Victorian Chapter hasn't hosted any stand-alone events this year our members have been invited to a few externally organised events.

In May and again July the Lenton Parr Library at the VCA invited our members to attend two artist book talks – Thanks to Georgina Binns for extending the invitations to our members.

In the July presentation artists book makers Gracia Haby and Louise Jennison showed their processes for making and archiving their work with a focus on collections held by the University of Melbourne Library. This event was part of Melbourne Rare Book Week.

In May, artists Angela Cavalieri and George Matoulas spoke about their individual practises and about their collaborations, and presented a range of artists books for viewing and discussion.

Also in May, our members were invited to the NGV to attend the Melbourne Art Book Fair keynote address where Max Bach, editor at Sternberg Press, was in conversation with writer/academic Justin Clemens. Sternberg Press grew out of the small publishing house Lukas & Sternberg, founded in 1999. With a focus on art criticism, theory, fiction, and artists' books, the Berlin-New York publishing endeavour is dedicated to an expanded notion of writing on art. Appearing for the first time in Australia, Sternberg Press were a special guest at the Melbourne Art Book Fair.

All three office bearers for the Victorian Chapter (President, Secretary and Treasurer) will be vacating these roles as of 31 January 2017. Expressions of interest are currently being sought to fill these positions.

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Victorian Chair
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