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Exhibits 2011

Annual Members Exhibit

April 4 – May 28, 2011

LIBROS will hold its annual members show at the downtown Library this April and May. The second month of the show, Esther will arrange our Collaborative Books in the cases. Your entries will be saved for the Los Alamos show in June. There will be two Demos by members, one on April 9, 1 to 3pm, and one on May 21, 1 to 3pm.

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Mesa Public Library, Los Alamos

June 1 – 30, 2011

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LIBROS members creating the 2011 Collaborative Books at a recent meeting (left); some of the finished books (right).

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Please renew your LIBROS membership, \$25.00 due in September but pay anytime; send checks payable to LIBROS to Treasurer Margy O'Brien, 3020 San Patricia Pl. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107. Contact Margy at 344-8514, Kfmlobrien@cs.com

CALENDAR

LIBROS Monthly Meeting Schedule 2010–2011

Saturday, May 7 (9am–12noon)

Annual Business Meeting and Election

Officers and Committees report; election of new board members.

Show and Tell: Members will share the books they made throughout the year.

Pocket Book, with Toni Lyons: Toni will show how to make a quick and easy “pocket” book. The each page has a “pocket” to hold a photo, poem, or other treasure.

Saturday, June 4 (9am–12noon)

Guest Artist, TBA.



At the March 2011 meeting, Marilyn Stablein demonstrated the Gallery Fold Book. Many examples were shared including *Trees* and *Ages of Women* by Esther Feske (above) and *Tibetan Variations* by Marilyn Stablein (below).



New Meeting Time & Location!

LIBROS meetings are the first Saturday of each month unless otherwise noted, 9am – 12 noon at the #3 Classroom at the Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center, 501 Elizabeth SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123, 505-275-87123. <http://manzanomesacenter.com>.
The Center has plenty of convenient parking.

LIBROS STUDY GROUP

The LIBROS Bookbinding Study Group was board-approved in 2005 to encourage those who wanted the challenge of learning new bookbinding techniques and structures beyond the time limitations of the regular meeting.

We have begun to calendar the schedule for 2011. The calendar is divided in two-month segments and members of the group choose the dates and the projects for the remainder of the group. It is expected that participants will have the basic bookbinding skills behind them and then can enjoy working with others on bookbinding and book arts activities. Study group members are asked to participate on a regular basis and to prepare and offer presentations, rotating through the schedule with all other participants in the group.

During the past year, the group studied Daniel Kelm’s wire edge binding, Keith Smith’s exposed spine bindings, making woodcuts and using the boards as covers as well as exchanging prints with others in the group, variations on Hedi Kyle’s Secret Belgian Binding, the checkerboard binding, pop-ups, embellishing metal covers, and various methods of closures.

If you are not on the BBSG e-mail list to participate, and would like to join us starting with the next study group workshop on July 24, 2011, please e-mail Carol Erickson at caroleliz11@msn.com

BOOK ARTS CLASSES

LIBROS member **Mita Saldano** offers ongoing classes at her East Mountain bookbinding studio Against The Grain as well as at other locations in Albuquerque. For details call (505) 286-8592 or check out the Classes page on her website at www.atgbooks.com/classes.html

LIBROS Yahoo Group

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/librosnmbag/>

Membership chair Charlotte Kylin is also the Moderator of the LIBROS Yahoo Group. To sign up so you can post messages, first open a Yahoo Groups account, then send Charlotte an email at: librosnmbag@yahoogroups.com

The 10th Anniversary of LIBROS!

December 2011 is the 10th Anniversary of LIBROS! Congratulations all and look for more details about Anniversary events and celebration on the website and Yahoo group postings.

Call For Artist Entries

The Placitas Artists Series is calling for artists to exhibit their works for the 2011-12 season at the Las Placitas Presbyterian Church. This will be a special season, our Silver Anniversary, celebrating 25 years of excellent music and art in Placitas!

We have nine musical concerts each year, complemented by art shows, in a beautiful, spacious gallery setting, with a reception for the artists the day of the concerts. Four artists are selected, by jury, for a show each month, September through May 2011-12. Three of the artists' work hangs on the walls of the gallery and the fourth artist will be one whose work is free standing or sits on a table (for example, sculpture, weavings, jewelry, pottery, and so on), who will show the day of the concert only. All artists receive a year's exposure on our website, and two tickets to the concert.

The application process closes **May 1, 2011**. Notification will be by July 1, 2011. Go to our website at www.placitasarts.org, click on Our Visual Artists, and download application form.

Favorite Books!

If you happen to have a favorite bookmaking/book arts-related book that you find yourself referring to again and again, we'd like to hear about it! Trish is going to post the titles along with a short, 2-3 sentence review (yours) of each, on the LIBROS website.

Not only will we get some ideas for good reference materials, these titles will be linked to Amazon.com. If someone purchases *anything* from Amazon, having gone through the LIBROS link, LIBROS will receive a small kick-back.

So, if you wouldn't mind, think about your favorite book(s) on book arts, write a short description/review and email it to me or bring it to the next meeting. - Pam Sandoval

LIBROS Online

www.librosnm.org

Find the latest meeting and workshop information on the LIBROS website, as well as download newsletters, membership forms and more. If you are holding bookbinding workshops in New Mexico, please email your info to Dale Harris at poetdale@yahoo.com.

Making a Bookbinding Kit

By Jo Bryant and Mita Saldana

I'm excited about the upcoming LIBROS programs, and while looking at the calendar I was reminded that it might be well (particularly for our newer members) to list items for a Bookbinding Kit. Making up a Kit is something that every member will want to do over time and you will find it invaluable for hands-on programs and workshops, as well as for your general bookbinding efforts. Below is a list recommended by Mita Saldana in a previous Newsletter:

A good kit should include --

- ✿ Bonefolder
- ✿ Scissors
- ✿ Bookbinder's Sewing Needles
- ✿ Linen Thread
- ✿ PVA Glue and glue brush
- ✿ Exacto Knife (a breakaway one is more useful)
- ✿ Steel Ruler (cork-backed for non-skid purposes)
- ✿ Bookbinders's Awl
- ✿ Paper Knife/Bookbinder's Knife
- ✿ Cutting Mat
- ✿ Bees Wax
- ✿ Triangle
- ✿ Pliers
- ✿ Sand Paper/Emery Board

Members can, of course, add their own items that they find useful such as a glue stick, bulldog clips, pencils and a sharpener, etc.

If you have questions about any of these tools, just put them out to the group or ask some of the more experienced members at the meetings. Also, if anyone has other tools to suggest that have been especially helpful, please share with the group. - Jo Bryant