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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Looks like a busy 4Q ahead for appraisers across all disciplines! Did have a chance to enjoy a bit of a late summer lull, though. I actually took some time to purge old files and take a carload of bankers boxes from years gone by to the shredder/recycler. It got me thinking about the advances in technology that we have experienced in our field and in business as a whole. While part of me feels like the additional efficiencies are more than offset by higher volume, tighter deadlines and later nights, it is deeply gratifying to know that those bankers boxes that were cluttering my space will not be replaced now that I am on the path to a semi-paperless existence.

We kicked off our ASA-LA fall/winter season of Happy Hours with a visit from John Russell and Justin Kane from ASA-National for an update on government relations and how ASA leadership is serving the Chapters and membership. John is the Strategic Planning Officer for government relations and Justin Kane is the Chapter and Government Relations Specialist. Their roles include monitoring proposed federal as well as state legislation. Of particular interest was AB 948 in California (which was actually signed into law by Governor Newsom on September 28, 2021). With respect to the new California law, additional educational requirements have been added for applicants and those renewing their licenses, including curriculum addressing cultural competency. The "Fair Appraisal Act" (Section 11310.3 of the Business and Professions Code may be viewed in its entirety at **AB948**. It was also noted that the revisiting of Section 2704 of the Internal Revenue Code regarding discounts for fractional interests in family partnerships is expected to heat up once budget reconciliation is completed.

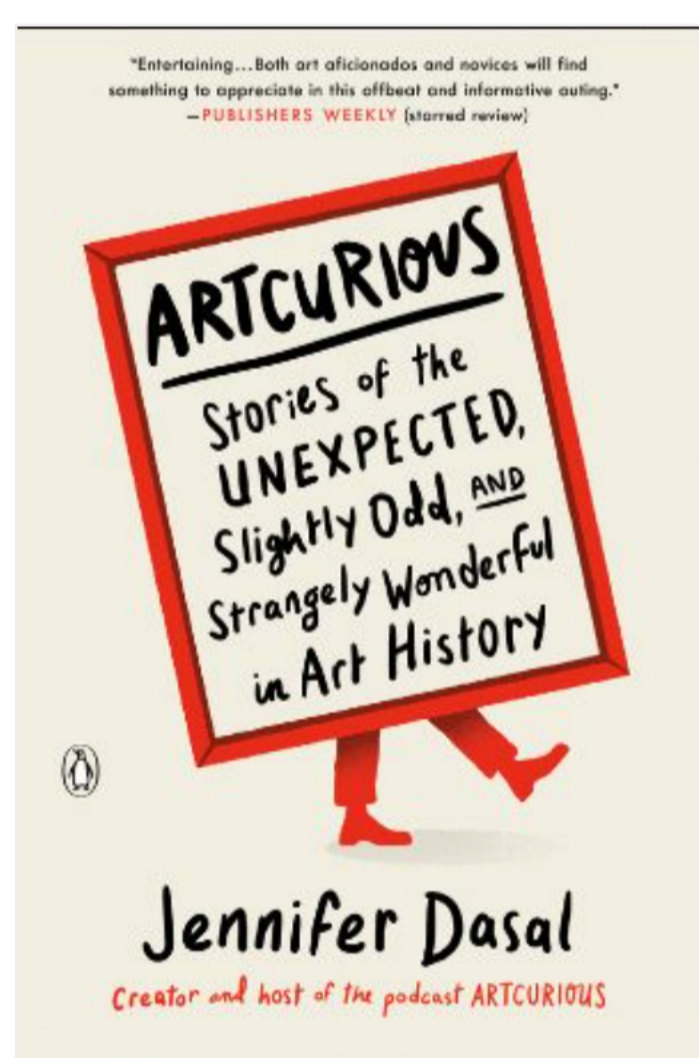
Other news included announcement of relocation to new National headquarters that will include classroom and conference space, as well as the much-anticipated launch of ASA-National's new website in 4Q 2021. And, to top it off, it was announced that the new Washington-Oregon-Montana chapter has been born, featuring a hybrid platform focusing on virtual participation but also including live events as well.

We here in traffic-choked SoCal will be keeping a close eye on this, since we do understand that in a profession that is driven by intense analysis and deadlines, driving across town (and county lines) to meetings and events can be challenging. While there is no substitute for face to face interaction, I believe we are seeing that virtual is likely here to stay in one form or another. Would love to hear your thoughts on the "hybrid model" and how it has shaped the way you envision your near-term and future professional life. While live events are coming back (the International Convention in Las Vegas is right around the corner), a fully virtual option is being offered as well. In addition, ASA-LA has an amazing fully virtual Happy Hour event planned for October 20, featuring Jennifer Dasal, host of the ArtCurious podcast and author of *ArtCurious: Stories of the Unexpected, Slightly Odd, and Strangely Wonderful in Art History*.

As we plan for the remainder of the 2021-2022 term, please feel free to write to me at gazellewichner@gmail.com with your thoughts as to whether you would like to see more live meetings, or if you find a "hybrid" model more appealing moving forward. Or...if the thought of sprucing up and driving to the office or an event is the last thing you ever want to do again, let us know that as well! The ASA-LA Chapter is here to provide education, information, opportunity and camaraderie. Let's keep the dialogue open.

All best,
Gazelle

Gazelle Raye Wichner, ASA
President, ASA-LA



**ArtCurious Program
Wednesday October 20th
4:00pm - 5:30pm**

Join the Los Angeles chapter over Zoom as we welcome Jennifer Dasal to discuss her podcast and recent book [ArtCurious: Stories of the Unexpected, Slightly Odd, and Strangely Wonderful in Art History](#).

ArtCurious is art history as you've never read it, stories that will shock and entertain, make you question what you thought you knew, and introduce you to unknown characters and hidden histories, conspiracy theories, scandal, and intrigue. Since 2016, Jennifer Dasal has been wowing listeners with her wildly entertaining podcast, [ArtCurious](#), where she delves into the weird and wonderful stories behind the world's greatest artists and artworks.

This virtual event is free and offers 1.8 CE credits.

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IN THE NEWS

Member Advancements

Congratulations to the following members:

- Michael Campagna, AM - BV
- Andrea Douglas, AM - BV

Appraisal Foundation News

The Appraiser Qualifications Board adopted changes to the *Real Property Appraiser Qualification Criteria* that will take effect on January 1, 2022. Key changes to the criteria include:

- Synchronous courses will now be considered equivalent to in-classroom courses.
- Synchronous courses will no longer be required to have delivery mechanism approval under the AQB and an alternative course delivery mechanism approval for asynchronous courses was introduced.
- Hybrid courses must meet the requirements for each specific course delivery method (e.g., a course that is hybrid synchronous/asynchronous must meet the synchronous requirements for the synchronous portion of the course and the asynchronous requirements for the asynchronous portion of the course).
- Qualifying and continuing education courses may use remote proctoring, including biometric proctoring.

Newsletter and Facebook

Excited about upcoming events or talks related to your discipline? Send us the details and we'll include it in next month's newsletter along with posting it on our Facebook page. Please email it to: info@appraisersla.com or cronkvukovic@appraisersla.com

Opening on Chapter Board

The Secretary position on the board for 2021-22 is open. This is a great opportunity to get involved with your local chapter, while gaining experience serving as a board member. Since we are now meeting via Zoom, monthly meetings are easier than ever to attend. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cindy Cronk Vukovic at: cronkvukovic@appraisersla.com

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