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CHAPTER ACTIVITIES SUMMARY, Fall 2017-Spring 2018

This iteration of the Pratt SAA focussed its energy and resources on the production of a panel for both the School of Information and Art School. It was initially planned as two separate panels but later merged into one to best coordinate speakers. GSEF funding was acquired to support this event. Three of the five committed panelists were able to participate in the end—Lauren Bakst, Andrea Callard, and Martha Wilson. Outreach targeted the School of Information, School of Art, and other like minded programs in the City—SVA’s Art and Writing program and NYU’s Center for Humanities, and ART. The event was not well attended, three Pratt students were present and four professional archivists. The date of the event was April 28.

Low-impact and free field trips were planned early in the Fall of 2017. These included the Weill Cornell archive (low attendance, 2), The Center (cancelled due to low attendance), FIT’s archive (8 attended, excellent tour led by alum Molly Seegers). We partnered with other Pratt SI groups to lend our name in support of their trips to the Botanic Garden, the Century Club, and NYPR.

We began the term with several organizational meetings but we found keeping students posted with our plans via email to work for this iteration of the SAA.

The club President took on all operational responsibilities including communications, planning, treasury, budget, and GSEF due to lack of sufficient input from other club members.

Officer elections for the 2018-2019 school year were held. Positions were appointed internally as no nominations were submitted. Christine Hesch was appointed President and Eva Ives was appointed Communications. A transitional meeting was held between Richard, Christine, and Eva.