

**Society of American Archivists  
Council Meeting  
Anaheim, Ca**

**Group Name: Annual Report  
(Prepared by: Emily Mizokami)**

Year: 2024- 2025

**OUTGOING ROSTER:**

**Steering Committee**

Emily Mizokami - Chair – 2025 term ended

Kay Slater - Vice Chair – 2026 term ends

Nicole Font - Secretary - 2025 term ended

Amy Archambault – Steering committee member-at-large - 2025 term ended

Emma Barton-Norris - Steering committee member-at-large - 2025 term ended

Erica Leff - Steering committee member-at-large - 2025 term ended

**ExOfficio Members**

Laura Kathryn Nicole Jones- 2025 term ended

Erin Robinson – 2025 term ended

Katie Kerekes - 2025 term ended

Lily Wilson - 2025 term ended

**CURRENT 2025-2026 ROSTER**

Kay Slater – Chair – 2026 term ends

Erin Robinson – Vice Chair – 2027 term ends (will be Chair 2026-2027)

Maya Scheirer – Secretary – term ends 2026

Katie Higley – At Large Committee Member - term ends 2026

Katelyn Landry Carranza - At Large Committee Member - term ends 2026

Emma Powell - At Large Committee Member - term ends 2026

## Ex-Officio members

Sarah Lewis – term ends 2026

Mary Katherine Kearns – term ends 2026

Jason Smith – term ends 2026

**Council Liaison:** Joyce Gabiola

## PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

*(Please indicate all projects and activities that your component group has completed this year, continues to work on, or plans to implement in the following fiscal year.)*

### Completed:

- Reorganized section's digital files, archived and uploaded relevant recordings to the SAA YouTube channel, transcribed past recordings of meetings and deaccessioned recordings. This was done to free up space in our Google Drive and make the Google Drive more user friendly
- Started accounts on Discord and Bluesky
- Conducted a member survey to determine what members want from the SNAP section
- Created two new blog series: *SNAP Show and Tell*; *School Chapter Spotlight*

### Ongoing:

Maintaining the blog, and adding content to social media platforms

### New:

- Beginning new programming called "Snap-py Hours" These virtual sessions are meant to be low-stakes, minimal effort ways to get to know fellow SNAP section members as well as the members of the SNAP Steering Committee. Participants are *not* expected to come prepared with anything; however, we encourage them to come prepared with topics they may want to talk about! This is an open space to enjoy the company of fellow SNAP members, no matter where you are in your professional journey. These are drop-in events, so they are welcome to attend as allowed by their schedule, whether for the full hour or only a few minutes.
- Develop more programming, perhaps a panel discussion or speaker series

## SAA STRATEGIC PLAN

*(Please review the current [Strategic Plan](#) and indicate below how the component group has or plans to contribute to one or more of the four main goals.)*

### Goal 4: Meeting Members' Needs

Over the past year, the Students and New Archives Professionals (SNAP) Section has worked to support Goal 4 of the SAA Strategic Plan by fostering an inclusive, responsive, and

supportive environment for emerging archivists. SNAP has continued to serve as a critical space for early-career professionals and students navigating the challenges of entering the archival field, offering community, resources, and opportunities for engagement. Through virtual meetups, resource-sharing via the SNAP blog and social media, and ongoing peer support, the section has helped facilitate effective communication among members (Strategy 4.1) and provided meaningful opportunities for connection and professional growth. Despite the difficulties of the year—including political unrest, professional uncertainty, and personal hardships among members—SNAP maintained a commitment to accessibility and inclusivity. By encouraging open participation in meetings and initiatives, offering volunteer roles with low barriers to entry, and uplifting diverse voices within the profession, SNAP has supported SAA's goals of fostering a welcoming environment (Strategy 4.3) and ensuring transparency and accessibility in leadership (Strategy 4.4). In particular, the section provided a platform for members to share their experiences and concerns during a time of widespread disruption, demonstrating responsiveness to member needs and reinforcing SNAP's role as a vital support system within SAA.

## SAA ANNUAL MEETING

**Number of attendees:** About 40 overall (with some attendees arriving late or leaving early)

**Link to meeting minutes:** Link to recording of our meeting (minutes were not created)  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nlurpSHUtnCwuehDlpEywP9FVnvG2m3D/view?usp=sharing>

**Summary of meeting activities and highlights:** Report on social media overhaul, member survey, and our Google Drive Clean-up; We also hosted five presenters who presented posters for our “Records of Resistance” themed presentation. This theme was our section’s response to the political upheaval and recent attacks on the information profession. Each emerging professional interpreted this theme differently and each one was engaging and thought-provoking. This presentation was inspiring for those watching and a wonderful professional development opportunity for the presenters.

## SELF-ASSESSMENT

*How would you describe the health or energy of the group, and how engaged are the members?*

During the 2024–2025 year, the committee demonstrated a moderate level of engagement. Approximately half of the members were consistently active and involved in the group’s work. However, we observed a noticeable decline in overall energy and participation as the year progressed.

Several external and personal factors likely contributed to this shift. The broader political climate and sustained attacks on the profession created added stress and uncertainty, which may have impacted members’ capacity to fully engage. Additionally, some committee members experienced significant personal hardships, including the loss of family members and employment changes. These challenges understandably affected their ability to participate as fully as in previous years.

Despite these difficulties, the group remained committed to its goals, and those who were engaged contributed meaningfully throughout the year.

*Did the component group's leadership encounter any challenges in achieving its goals for the year?* No, but we kept our expectations pretty low due to inexperienced leadership and professional and scholastic uncertainty. We didn't want to take on more than we could handle.

*What suggestions do you have for the SAA Council and staff that might help address these challenges in the coming term?*  
N/A

*What questions or concerns do you have for the SAA Council and staff?*  
None