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A NOTE FROM THE CBAA LEADERSHIP

In early 2018, at the beginning of our tenure as CBAA President and Executive Vice President, we shared our vision for the future of the organization—to better serve our members and expand outreach, with an overarching focus on transparency, diversity, and inclusivity. The Rising Together exhibition, initiated under the leadership of our previous President, Julie Chen, was the perfect opportunity to see these intentions enacted.

It was also a chance to further CBAA’s mission—to support and promote academic book arts education by fostering the development of its practice, teaching, scholarship, and criticism. The powerful work included in Rising Together politically contextualizes these tenets as it strengthens our nationwide community, opening up dialogue both within and between the exhibit’s multiregional institutional hosts.

Tirelessly executed by our current Board Member and Vice-Chair for Programs, Camden Richards, and thoughtfully juried by three accomplished artists who share a deep commitment to social justice, Rising Together showcases the potential of the book arts to engage—through messaging, through critique, through action—and to speak truth to power in an era when such truth is direly needed.

Bridget Elmer, President
Matt Runkle, Executive Vice President
A NOTE FROM THE JURORS

In the fall of 2017, we gathered to jury Rising Together, an exhibition featuring work with a political focus by CBAA members. Spending nearly three hours on a conference call exploring 76 artist books and broadsides, we were confronted with very meaningful work and difficult choices. While lively debate ensued on the elements of successful political book art, we found ourselves in agreement on the importance of risk-taking, good craft, and the recognition of marginalized voices.

Another challenge was ensuring a good variety of structures and techniques, considering the show will travel to multiple venues with variable galleries. While broadsides are fairly straightforward to view and evaluate, artist books bring the additional complications of display and ability to engage the reader. As jurors and makers, too, it was really tough to engage with work through a screen, and enlarging didn’t always offer clarity.

What is clear, however, is the unending inspiration provided by the last few years of turmoil in our country and abroad: there is so much to say and it needs saying. We appreciate the opportunity to engage with all the work, and are encouraged by the power of voices through the printed page.

Amos Kennedy
Chandler O’Leary
Jessica Spring

Please note that all works featured in this catalog are part of the official Rising Together exhibit, though all works may not be necessarily be on display at each respective host institution.
RECTO / VERSO
2017

RECTO / VERSO is a unique book, letterpress printed from handset type and made as a response to current events. The book quietly demands care and forethought for our country, whose future is in our hands. The idea of Recto and Verso serves as a metaphor for Right and Left, and the transparency of the pages allows a simultaneous reading of what has come before and what is still to come—and asks that we do the same.

Size: 9” x 12”
Methods: relief and letterpress from handset type and magnets, multiple signature binding with fold-outs
Materials: Thai Kozo, newsprint
Edition: 1/1
**Martha Chiplis**

**Women Power**  
2017

This print was created for the Women’s March in Chicago—and was carried by me and several other people who I didn’t know—I brought extra to give away. It was inspired by protest posters, and was made in that spirit.

**Size:** 14” x 17”  
**Methods:** letterpress printed with wood and metal type on a Vandercook Universal  
**Materials:** recycled bristol  
**Edition:** 30, unnumbered

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**Maureen Cummins**

**The/rapist**  
2017

The/rapist is an exploration of the gendered history of psychosurgery, as illustrated by the career of Doctor Walter Freeman, a Strangelovian character who was single-handedly responsible for popularizing lobotomies in America. Freeman rode around in a “lobotomobile,” drove ice-picks through patients’ eyeballs (often two-handed) and lobotomized over 4,000 patients, many suicidally depressed housewives. A chilling investigation into abuse of power and the narcissistic personality, The/rapist is constructed entirely out of aluminum.

**Size:** 11” x 8.5” x 1”  
**Methods:** silkscreen on aluminum, bound in the style of a medical binder  
**Materials:** aluminum, DNA  
**Edition:** 30 /40
AMANDA D’AMICO  TINY REVOLUTIONARY PRESS

Better Presidents, Volume 1
2017

This series of zines was started after the inauguration of the 45th President. I began thinking about the next presidential election, and issues of visibility. Is it a good idea to elect celebrities? How do local politicians and civic leaders gain the same kind of visibility? Better Presidents is an attempt to bring recognition to some of the folks positively contributing to American society, either through direct action or through spreading a positive and inclusive message. Nominations are welcome through an Instagram account of the same name.

**Size**: 8.5” x 5.5”
**Methods**: Xerox collage, saddle stitch binding
**Materials**: copy paper
**Edition**: open

SUZANNE GLÉMOT  STOAT AND HEATHER PRESS

Dear White Friends (The Lynching)
2016

This work juxtaposes Claude McKay’s 1922 poem “The Lynching” with the names of unarmed black individuals who have been killed by police in recent years. By placing these two texts alongside one another, the viewer is asked to draw parallels between the violent crime of lynching and the contemporary practice of ‘media lynching.’

The creation of this piece was driven by seven years spent in Mississippi learning about racial injustice in the United States. “Dear White Friends” is a call to white Americans to do the work of recognizing racial violence and inequality in this country.

**Size**: 9” x 12”
**Methods**: hand-set metal type; photopolymer relief image plate; printed on a Vandercook SP-15 cylinder proof press
**Materials**: rubber-based ink on dampened Johannot paper
**Edition**: 7/20, 8/20
GUERILLA GRANNIES

Repent
Duck & Cover
Liar
Immigrants We Love
2017

Guerrilla Grannies seek Truth, Justice and the American Way. Senior artists talk back.

Three of the four broadsides pictured at left.

Size:
Repent 22” x 11.5”
Duck & Cover 22” x 11.75”
Liar 23” x 11”
Immigrants We Love 35” x 11.5”

Methods: silkscreen
Materials: Mohawk Superfine Cover
Edition: open

BROOKE HARDY
GROSS GRAIN PRESS

The Alphabet Book of World Dictators
2017

The Alphabet Book of World Dictators is an alphabet book surveying various global dictators of the twentieth century. Each letter has a linoleum carving print of the dictator and a subsequent limerick highlighting their atrocities, and achievements as a ruler. The book satirizes children’s books in order to bring awareness to our collective world history as it continues to repeat itself.

Size: 10” x 6.5” x .5”
Methods: hardcover hand-bound artist’s book, letterpress printed with wood type, polymer plates and hand-carved linoleum prints
Materials: Rives lightweight, Rives BFK, Lokta paper
Edition: 5/25
LYALL HARRIS  
PATRICIA SILVA

*Paper Boats*

2017

A photo-documentary illustrates our common humanity alongside the distressing loss of identity taking place in contemporary mass immigration to Europe. Central to this book is its potent visual rhythm of 100 images of hands with Origami boats, interspersed with 26 quotes (some in Italian) and 10 portraits. Lyall Harris and Patricia Silva developed this artist’s book in 2015 in a collaborative exchange while working as expats in Italy. That year, an estimated one million refugees arrived by boat to Europe, with Sicily as a principle entry point.

*Size: 8” x 8.25” x .75”  
Methods: digital photography, digitally printed, case-bound  
Materials: photographic paper  
Edition: 36/150*

MICHAEL HENNINGER  
RAT ART PRESS

*All the News That Fits - One Cubic Inch*

2014

Inspired by Dieter Roth’s “Daily Mirror”, random pages of the New York Times were cropped and bound to form a book that measures one cubic inch. The title of this book is a riff on the NY Times’ actual motto “All the News That’s Fit to Print”.

*Size: 1” x 1” x 1”  
Methods: perfect bound, inkjet printed cover  
Materials: random excerpts of the New York Times, Springhill digital index  
Edition: 13, unnumbered*
MICHAEL HENNINGER  RAT ART PRESS

Trump Tweets
Country Bologna
2017

Inspired by Dieter Roth’s “Literaturwursts”, over 2900 Trump tweets were printed and made into this bologna sausage. Somewhat surprisingly this number of tweets all came from a period of only about 6 months before the presidential election in November 2016.

Size: 20” x 6” x 6”
Methods: laser and inkjet printing on generic copier paper
Materials: fibrous sausage casing, spices, curing salt, Trump Tweets
Edition: open

K.T. HETTINGA

4 3 2 CRY, Fracking in Northern Colorado
2016

4 3 2 CRY mediates parallel narratives of personal and environmental loss, exposing the effects of hydraulic fracturing for oil and gas upon families, land, air and water. It is a lament and a goodbye for both the material/physical place that Hettinga dearly loved in Northern, Colorado, and the unspeakable death of her beloved. The rich shale field is drilled twenty plus times per square mile—pierced, perforated, gouged beyond comprehension. The book is a lament for a community transformed by drilling operations and leads to the author’s call to stop hydraulic fracturing in the USA.

Size: 7” x 7” x .5”
Methods: Perfect bound, pictorial dust jacket, digital indigo printing
Materials: Mohawk Superfine 70lb text, black linen boards
Edition: open trade edition
HMCT / ARCHETYPE PRESS

ARTCENTER COLLEGE OF DESIGN (COLLABORATIVE WORK)

Pressing Issues:
Typographic Voices of Social Consciousness
2017

Pressing Issues is a collaborative project of 18 uniquely designed broadsides of relevant social issues that address poverty, police brutality, gender discrimination, immigration, etc.

Size: 18” x 12” x 2”
Methods: Hand-set metal and wood foundry type/linoleum cuts/letterpress printed on Vandercook proof presses
Materials: loose broadsides on Neenah, presentation box
Edition: 40, unnumbered

Eternal Springs
2017

Eternal Springs is a tunnel book about the endangered freshwater springs in the state of Florida. There are over 600 springs in Florida and they are fragile parts of the ecosystem. Many have been tapped by water-bottling corporations and are inaccessible to the public. Over time, the springs dry up from overuse. Springs that used to be beautiful crystal-clear lagoons are now swampy, muddy ponds that are overgrown with algae from fertilizers and farming run-off.

Size: 5.75” x 6.25” x 1”
Methods: tunnel book with pochoir, transfer type, paste paper, hand cut and punched papers
Materials: Colorplan and Fabriano papers
Edition: 1/1

ELLEN KNUDSON
CROOKED LETTER PRESS

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KIMBERLY MAHER

Biglyopoly
2017

Biglyopoly is a board book that unfolds into a rendition of America’s most popular game, Monopoly. The inspiration is derived from the 1933 Depression-Era version of the game and directs the player to resist the atrocities of a modern-day, dim-witted president. The corresponding game cards are a commentary on the never-ending absurd actions of the current US president, Donald Trump. The customized game instructions invite the reader / player to “Make America Great Again.” The true objective is to hold the president accountable for his actions, with the help of Lady Liberty, and bankrupt him from office.

Size: 9” x 9” x .75”
Methods: game board and accordion booklet with hand-drawn illustrations, digitally designed and printed
Materials: Domestic Etching, repurposed game pieces, custom clam-shell box
Edition: 1

CYNTHIA MARSH

Are you Talking to Me?
2017

Are You Talking to Me is a loud visual conversation; it mimics the political screaming matches that currently dominate social media. The base of the broadside is a quote from President Obama’s 2009 Inaugural Address that calls for a new era of respect — an open dialogue with the Muslim World. His simple message of hope is covered with printed accounts of bad, inappropriate social behavior. The final statement is taken from President Trump’s 2017 address promoting the construction of a wall between the US and Mexico. And, I cannot help but ask mankind, Are You Talking to Me?

Size: 18” x 22”
Methods: wood type, letterpress, silkscreen
Materials: Canson 120 Drawing
Edition: AP/10
Disposable Negroes
2015

The world’s current socio-political landscape reveals tell-tale signs about how much black lives seem to be worth. From the Dominican Republic to other countries across the globe, the world’s collective actions prove that it holds black lives in very little regard. In America, not as much has changed in the area of racial relations as we’d like to think. In fact, during the years before and after Emmett Till’s death, the sentiment that rings true is that the media, the mainstream and the judicial system see black lives as disposable. This artist’s book in inspired by these feelings.

Size: 4.75” x 7.25” x 1.25”

Methods: screen printing, serigraphy, pamphlet binding/ dos-a-dos structure

Materials: translucent acetate, BFK Rives

Edition: 2/4

The 50 Card Project
2017

I made a card of FDR’s Four Freedoms on Inauguration Day. By the end of the multicolored letterpress run, I decided to make a card every week for the entire year.

The cards respond to what is happening in our country each week, how I can frame the situation positively and live from a place of liberty and justice for all.

As part of my action, I send cards each week to key players in the Trump administration.

Size: 8” x 9” x 2”

Methods: custom made enclosure for all the cards; pressure and letterpress printing using handset type, polymer plates, linocuts (cards); commercial printing (book)

Materials: variety, primarily French papers; book cloth, binders board

Edition: 2/100
CHANDLER O’LEARY*
CAROL INDERIEDEN

Empire Builder
2015

Empire Builder is a collaborative book where the artists lament the changes they have seen in the American West, changes driven by the thirst for oil and natural gas, changes spawned by fracking in North Dakota and ending in oil refineries of Washington. It is the story of tunnel vision and the attendant environmental consequences. The book “reads like a map – tracing both the route of the Empire Builder train and the path of industry and destruction, in one long, unbroken line.”

Size: 7.25” x 9”
Methods: digitally printed, accordion binding with Tyvek hinges and a paper slip case
Materials: Moab Entrada pages; Hahnemuhle Ingres cover/slip case
Edition: 43/50

*Rising Together jurors; book submitted as juror contribution

CHANDLER O’LEARY*
JESSICA SPRING*

Estados Divididos, 2017
a Dead Feminists broadside

Seeding the Vote, 2018
a Dead Feminists broadside

The Dead Feminists is a collaborative series featuring quotes by historical feminists, tied to current political and social issues. Each limited-edition broadside is letterpress printed from hand-drawn lettering and illustrations. A portion of the proceeds of each piece is donated to the Dead Feminists Fund, which supports nonprofits that help women and girls create change in their own communities.

Size: 10” x 18”
Methods: letterpress printed from hand-drawn illustrations and lettering, using photopolymer plates
Materials: Magnani Revere paper
Edition: 131/200; 28/165

*Rising Together jurors; prints submitted as juror contributions
**SHERYL ORING**

**Urgent: Missives From the People**

2018

This work grew out of Sheryl Oring’s concern that not enough voices were being heard about the state-of-affairs in this country and her belief in the value of free expression that is guaranteed under our Constitution. For this project, Oring sets up a portable public office—complete with a manual typewriter—and invites people to dictate postcards to the President. This ongoing project began in 2004 with a commission from The First Amendment Project in Oakland, CA. To date, more than 3,500 postcards have been sent to the White House as part of this project. Designed and produced at the Ringling College of Art and Design’s Letterpress and Book Arts Center by students in the Collaboratory Artist’ Publications course.

**Size:** 8” x 10”  
**Methods:** hand-typed cards, letterpress, risograph  
**Materials:** French Paper and Colorplan, polaroids  
**Edition:** 20/100

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**JOHN RISSEEUW**

**deKooning and Post-Modern Politics**

1989

The comic balloon shape was originally a bicycle seat outline on a request for mail art from an artists’ archive in Budapest. As I altered it and filled it with the collage of arms/drugs/money/chaos, I thought, “What can I say to artists in other countries about recent activities of my country?” The answer that came was, “PARDON US. PARDON US. PARDON US.” I am still appalled, angry, and sickened by my government’s actions and policies toward Central America in the 1980s.

**Size:** 11” x 14”  
**Methods:** letterpress, relief engraving, screenprint  
**Materials:** handmade paper from cotton rag  
**Edition:** 15/15
JOHN RISSEEUW | THE CABBAGEHEAD PRESS

Legacy
2012

As a juror for Hand Papermaking’s Fiber Exposed Portfolio, I was asked to submit a piece. Thinking about causes of the recent economic recession, I made paper from clothing of homeless people, three shredded biographies of Ronald Reagan, shredded foreclosure documents, and a copy of the 1933 Glass-Steagall Banking Act, with shredded U.S. currency inclusions. On it, I printed from a homeless person’s t-shirt and my own poetic statement.

Size: 8” x 10”
Methods: letterpress, cloth relief
Materials: paper handmade from clothing of homeless people, three shredded biographies of Ronald Reagan, shredded foreclosure documents, and a copy of the 1933 Glass-Steagall Banking Act, with shredded U.S. currency inclusions.
Edition: X/XV; 152 plus XV

LISA ROBINSON | SOMNAMBULIST TANGO PRESS

Pink Pussyhat broadside
2017

I was moved and inspired by the national women’s march and the use of craft to unite people and create a feeling of community. I am hopeful that, despite the recent presidential election and acts of domestic terrorism, citizens can come together and create change.

Size: 8” x 10”
Methods: linocut, letterpress (lead type)
Materials: Crane’s Lettra by Neenah Papers
Edition: AP/80
ROBERT ROWE

With The Burqa
2012

Katey Schultz’s short text peers under the veil to reveal the psychological effects of war on civilian populations, and how life amid violence transforms and transmutes the very fabric of reality for those caught up in it. For me, the image of the tree that produces the fruits of violence is a powerful.

Size: 18” x 12” inches
Methods: letterpress using photopolymer, linoleum and collagraph
Materials: Nideggen paper
Edition: 53/60

LAURA RUSSELL

Anything Helps
2014

Anything Helps is an artist book surveying the hand-scrawled cardboard signs used by panhandlers on street corners. Over three years I collected these signs, some purchased for $5, some found, abandoned. While collecting these signs I have met some fascinating people and told their stories in the book. It is my hope that this book will make us stop and reflect upon the lives we look at every day but never really see.

Size: variable
Methods: pamphlet stitch booklet sewn into vintage billfold wallet, Turkish map fold center spread with pop-out sign, archival digital pigment print
Materials: Red River Polar Matte paper
Edition: 17/25
MEGHAN SAAS

Clit...A Timeline
2017

Clit...A Timeline is a visual narrative of the many scientific advances made before we had a complete understanding of the clitoris. Over 14 pages, a meandering red embroidered line leads the viewer past stippled ink illustrations—inspired by 19th century medical textbooks—finally leading to 1998, when research uncovered the full anatomy of the clitoris. The LED-lit cover alludes to the demystification of female sexuality gained in this late discovery. This book utilizes a playful approach to inspire outrage at a society that places an extremely low value on female health and bodily autonomy.

Size: 8” x 8” x 2”
Methods: ink illustration, inkjet printing, embroidery, accordion binding
Materials: Hosho paper, book cloth, board, wood, LED lighting, embroidery thread
Edition: 1/5

JAIME LYNN SHAFER

Code Red
2016

Code Red is issued when an imminent and major danger threatens school safety. The interior text, printed from wood type, identifies documented locations where children have found loaded guns in the home. The exterior brick is printed as a memorial to the numerous victims of school shootings and includes names and ages. This is not an all inclusive list, but represents a sampling of children and adults who have been fatally shot in a school environment. The text message is reminiscent of the message I received from my partner when an active shooter was on her school campus.

Size: 4.25” x 5.375”
Methods: letterpress (wood/metal type, photopolymer plates), inkjet, single sheet accordion
Edition: 13/30
JAIME LYNN SHAFER

1 in 3
2015

Creating this piece proved more difficult than I expected. It forced me to reflect on my own experiences with domestic abuse. Those who have never been in an abusive relationship usually ask, “Why did s/he stay?” Unless you have experienced it, it is hard to understand. This is not an all-inclusive representation of domestic abuse. However, I hope that the content of this book helps the viewer to better understand the victim’s point of view and the lack of resources that often hinder a victim’s ability to escape the situation.

Size: 9” x 6” x .5”
Methods: letterpress (metal type, photopolymer plates) and inkjet, flag structure
Materials: Stonehenge, Hahnemühle Duo, Epson Ultra Smooth; found/ altered photographs (used w/ permission), book cloth covered slip case
Edition: 23/25

LEV SHERMAN

Various Effects of Coffee on the Body
2014

Various Effects of Coffee on the Body explores conceptions and valuations of labor while comparing and contrasting consumption and production. Coffeehouse images of hard manual labor are used to illustrate a narrative surrounding coffee’s (and caffeine’s) physiological and psychological impact on the consumer, drawing analogies between personal addiction and cultural dependency on exploitative labor.

Size: 2” x 2”
Methods: offset lithography, accordion binding
Materials: Mohawk Superfine
Edition: 600; unnumbered
TENNILLE DAVIS SHUSTER

The Party’s Over
2017

The Party’s Over was conceived of as a response to the 2016 election and reflection of Trump’s thoughtless and divisive public statements. Developing and producing the book was a cathartic and empowering experience, and it is my hope that widely exhibiting it will generate sales—100% of which will be donated to the following organizations: Everytown For Gun Safety Action Fund, Planned Parenthood, Center for Reproductive Rights, Natural Resources Defense Council, International Refugee Assistance Project, NAACP Legal Defense Fund, The Trevor Project, and the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

This project was produced as an act of resistance, with the financial support of CBAA, with production assistance by NSU Art and Design students Ryan Dahm and Katie Pyles.

Size: 5.25” x 5.25” x 1”
Methods: letterpress printed on a New Style C&P using handset Onyx type; digitally designed, hand-pulled, screen printed balloons adhered in flag book format, screen printed spine
Materials: bookcloth wrapped hard covers, hand-marbled, French Frostone heavyweight paper
Edition: 1 and 2 of 50

CLARISSA SLIGH

Transforming Hate:
An Artist’s Book
2016

In 2006 I was invited to incorporate, transform or respond to white supremacist books for an exhibition organized by the Montana Human Rights Network and the Holter Art Museum in Helena, Montana. When they sent me a box of the books, I was shocked that the conditioning to hate was so alive.

Remembering the origami cranes at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial in Japan, I cut pages from those books and folded them into cranes. For eight years afterwards, I explored the conflicts I felt while turning hateful words into a thing of beauty. This book comes out of that.

Size: 8” x 8” x .1875”
Methods: Four-color offset lithography, perfect bound
Materials: McCoy Silk White 100 lb text and 110 cover stock, 80 lb text CTI Aspire Petallics Gold Ore, 98 lb. cover Aspire Petallics Gold Ore, gold foil paper.
Edition: trade edition, 1000
For Eric Garner
2014

This was a collaborative piece produced by the staff and students of The Press at Colorado College, and the Colorado Springs Community, in response to the non-indictment of the police officers who murdered Eric Garner in July of 2014. These were made as active protest posters, to be carried or displayed in public.

Size: 16” x 20”
Methods: letterpress
Materials: chipboard
Edition: open

Blue Book
2016

As a Special Education teacher where the majority of students are low income, I address youth violence, my own student loans, and having to teach to tests under No Child Left Behind. They all are serious issues, which are not fairly considered. It’s a lot to pack into one small book!

Size: 4.25” x 3.75” x .0625”
Methods: laser printing, rubber stamp, french door fold
Materials: vellum, copy paper, staples
Edition: 36/50
Here is the church, Here is the Steeple, Here are questions for the people 2017

The intersection of religion and politics fascinates and frightens me, especially current assaults on our First Amendment. Narratives concerning religion in private and public spheres, the meddling and perceived meddling of religion and government in each other’s domains, and the lack of respect for boundaries or rights form a verse as dense as the Bible. Churches are more than buildings that define a physical space dedicated to worship, separating the worshipper from the secular environment. They are constructed communities with shared beliefs and opinions. The contradictory beliefs and opinions are “wallpapered” onto the interior walls of this church.

Size: 13” x 6.5” x .38”
Methods: Epson Stylus Photo 1400; Sizzix die-cut windows; pamphlet sewing of 3 gatefolds
Materials: French Construction Pure White 100# cover
Edition: 20/50

PHILIP ZIMMERMANN

Landscapes of the Late Anthropocene 2017

Due to concern about climate change, people have become aware of the term anthropocene. It denotes the current geological age, viewed as the period during which human activity has been the dominant influence on climate and the environment. I wanted to make a book related to the issues that prompted that term anthropocene. I decided to create a dystopian set of images that hinted at a future watery world, one where the remnants of civilizations lived in armed, guarded towers, growing their food in vertical farms inside these towers. The rest of the world population would have mostly died off.

Size: 5.75” x 4.5” x .5”
Methods: offset lithography, pigmented inkjet and foil-stamp, handbound (sewn and cased-in)
Materials: Mohawk Superfine
Edition: 50/50
ZINE ARCHIVE CONTRIBUTIONS

In conjunction with the Rising Together traveling show of artist books/prints/zines catalogued here, CBAA launched a specifically open digital (website-based) archive/exhibition, ongoing from 2017-2021. The purpose of Rising Together | a Digital Archive/Exhibition of Zines with a Social Conscience is to give both CBAA members and the broader book arts community a direct way to react and give voice to issues of social justice, power, politics, and environment. The digital archive/exhibition is open to current CBAA members as well as students and colleagues of CBAA members. Located with the archive are also a teaching guide and resources to facilitate classroom/instructor/student participation.

If participants mailed a hard copy of their digitally submitted zine by the 2018 travelling exhibition submissions deadline, it is included with the exhibit and is listed below.

Please note that the digital archive is still open and ongoing, so if you would like to submit work or view the growing digital collection, please visit www.collegebookart.org/Zine-Archive.

- DISH: In Defense of Vicious Gossip, Matt Runkle
- Habits of the Heart, Regula Russelle
- Pattern Recognition, Nanette Wylde
- Appeal to an American Conservative, Laurana Nyman
- Rx:Bipolar II, Clare Hasbrouck
- Dawn, Meng Haoran
- Noviazgo, Ashley Llanes
- I Am Me, Maria Aslam
- The Rain doesn’t last Forever, Alma Chauffe
ABOUT THE JURORS

Amos Paul Kennedy, Jr.
Amos Kennedy Jr. is a descendant of the enslaved peoples of these united states of America. At 40 years of age, Kennedy embraced his humanity and abandoned the commercial dream that defines this civilization. Unsatisfied with the illusion of a comfortable, middle-class life, Amos traded in his computer for a printing press and his white collar for overalls. The subject of the Brown Finch Films documentary “Proceed and Be Bold!”, his letterpress work raises emotionally charged questions about race, individuality and the false narrative of this civilization.

Jessica Spring & Chandler O’Leary
In 2008 Spring and O’Leary collaborated on the “Dead Feminists”, a letterpressed series of broadsides featuring quotes by historical feminists, tied in with current political and social issues.

Jessica Spring is the proprietor of Springtide Press, where she designs, prints and binds unique artist books, broadsides and ephemera, incorporating handmade paper and letterpress printing. Collaborations are an important part of her work, either printing for other artists or teaching students traditional letterpress printing, typography and book arts. Jessica has a MFA from Columbia College Chicago and teaches book arts at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma.

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