

Emeritus Scholarship for First-Time MAC Attendees

The Emeritus Scholarship for First-Time MAC Attendees provides financial assistance for travel and conference expenses to individuals who have not previously attended a MAC meeting. Choosing the recipients from a strong field of 12 applicants was not an easy task for the committee, but after careful consideration, the committee decided to award two \$250 scholarships. The 2019 Emeritus Scholarship for First-Time MAC Meeting Attendees recipients are Aiden M. Bettine and Sabrina Gorse.

Aiden Bettine is currently completing his MA in library and information science and a doctorate in history at the University of Iowa. In his application he wrote, “The opportunity to present my work [at MAC 2019] as the founder of the Transgender Oral History Project of Iowa is critical for networking and interrogating the role of archivists in twenty-first century archives. . . . As a PhD student in history and a new student in library and information science, the opportunity to attend MAC is crucial for developing a greater understanding of the archives profession.”

Sabrina Gorse received her MLIS from the University of Pittsburgh and currently works as the IMLS Sievers Studio Processing Archivist at the Missouri Historical Society. She corepresented the Association of St. Louis Area Archivists and presented on work conducted while leading community archival service projects in the “Transforming Outreach with Community Archives” session. Gorse wrote that attending MAC provides “a unique experience to refine my current skill-set and become more connected to the world around me. It can build a sturdy foundation for growth and provide direction to how best to contribute to the field in current times.”

Louisa Bowen Memorial Scholarship for Graduate Students in Archival Administration

The Louisa Bowen Memorial Scholarship for Graduate Students in Archival Administration is dedicated to providing financial assistance to a resident or full-time student of the MAC region who is pursuing graduate education in archival administration. The Louisa Bowen Memorial Scholarship Committee was very pleased to award **Bianca Barcenás** a scholarship that will support her future contributions to the archives profession. Barcenás will begin attending Dominican University this coming fall. The committee was impressed by her deep understanding of the value that archives can bring to the public, and to undergraduate students in particular, as well as her keen grasp of the issues that archives face.