



OPC Officers/Council Candidate Statements

Open council position	Secretary
Candidates/nominator's name	Holly Prochaska
Current job title	Preservation Librarian
Current place of employment	University of Cincinnati

What skills and experiences can you offer to OPC?

I have served on OPC leadership for many years, but stepped off the last couple years as I was on sabbatical and juggling an interim position. I have hands on preservation experience at a large academic institution, co-managing a book and paper conservation lab and teaching book arts at the undergraduate level.

Tell us about your past experience with professional organizations that would make you a good fit for this position.

Most of my professional organizational experience is actually with OPC. Past accomplishments with OPC include - 1.) Securing grant funding from State Library of Ohio for LSTA Conservation/Preservation Grant and coordinating the initial curriculum for the corresponding mandatory course. 2.) Coordinating the 2017 Codex Symposium.

What are some of the most important themes/issues OPC should address in the next 3-5 years?

Training the next generation (especially treatment and repair training opportunities/internships) and climate change and its impact on disaster recovery and stable environments for collections.

Other professional associations you are involved in.

I've done several panel discussions and disaster recover sessions at SOA, both as a member of OPC and as Preservation Librarian at UC, but I am a member of SOA.