

### **History Committee**

## Urological A Section Secretaries/Membership Council Subcommittee

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Chair Ronald Rabinowitz, MD (2016-2023)

**Terms of Office** Ex-Officio Historian: 4 years (renewable once)

Exhibit Curator: 1 year (renewable once) Curator Emeritus: 1 year (non-renewable)

Section Historians: Based on Section Historian term

Members Young Urologist, International, At-large: 3 years (renewable once)

Resident: 2 years (non-renewable)

Medical Student: 2 years (non-renewable)

#### **Committee Makeup**

The Historian is appointed by the AUA President and serves as the Chair of the History Committee. Voting members consist of ex-officio members and individuals selected based on their expertise and interest in urologic history.

- Ex-Officio: Section Historians, Exhibit Curator, Curator Emeritus
- Members: one Resident Representative, one Medical Student representative, one Young Urologist Representative, one International Member and up to four at-large members

There is a formal timeline and recruitment process for the Historian position. This consists of reaching out to current members of the history committee and any members that rotated off the history committee in the past 5 years. Applications will be collected for a presidential appointment.

The Exhibit Curator is a compensated postion selected by the Exhibits and Collections Work Group and also serves on the History Committee

#### **Mission Statement**

The Committee shall serve in an advisory role on matters related to historical interest, museum/archives/library accession/deacccession, exhibition, and Museum sustainability.

### **Committee Meetings**

The History Committee meets once per year at the AUA Annual Meeting and through conference calls and emails throughout the year.

#### **Time Commitment**

Chair: 12 hours per yearCurator: 3-5 hours per weekMember: 12 hours per year



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### **Qualifications/ Responsibilities**

Chair: The Chair is the current Historian of the AUA. See job description.

**Exhibit Curator:** See job description.

Members: Members serve in an advisory role to the William P. Didusch Center for Urologic History on matters related to historical interest, museum/archives/library accession, and exhibition. Actively participate in research, and in preparation of written and other documentation, with knowledge and experience in museums and history highly desired.

> Archival and Historical. Prepares and maintains records of historical significance, documenting significant milestones in urology as well as section history. Prepares an annual report for submission at AUA Headquarters at the fall History Committee meeting, and may assist with historical articles for publication (notably eulogies for deceased AUA members, which may be published in AUA News). As a member of the AUA History Committee, the representative also provides strategic direction to the William P. Didusch Center for Urologic History and helps to develop long-term strategic plan for AUA's History initiatives (Museum and Library Activities, Association Archives).

> Annual Meeting Responsibilities. Participate in the History of Urology forum at the AUA Annual Meeting. Evaluate each History Forum presentation and participate in the review of applications for the annual Retrospectroscope Award. Participate in the Annual Meeting History Exhibit. May collaborate on annual history exhibit and ongoing oral history interviews. Active participation in all AUA History initiatives at the Annual Meeting is expected, including but not limited to the History Committee meeting, History Forum, History Exhibit, Work Group meetings.

History Committee Workgroups. Members serve on at least one of the following workgroups:

- Exhibits and Collections Work Group: urology-care providers, industry representatives and AUA staff with a passion for urologic education, artifacts and displays.
- Digital Work Group: urology-care providers and AUA staff with an interest in digital media and an understanding of effective use to enlighten and educate younger urologists on the history of medicine.
- Academic Work Group: urologists with a passion for research and writing on the history of medicine, urology in particular, to work with AUA staff on educational initiatives.
- Finance Work Group: urology-care providers and industry representatives with some interest in and knowledge of effective fundraising techniques for the Didusch Center.



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### William P. Didusch Center Accomplishments 2022

- The first in-person annual meeting in three years was a resounding success for the History of Urology. The History Exhibit, *Ins and Outs of Sexual Health*, co-curated by Irwin Goldstein, MD, and Sue Goldstein, CCRC, CSE, was spectacular and included written descriptive panels, historical artifacts, and an <u>educational brochure</u>. Despite fewer meeting attendees in general, attendance at the exhibit and booth talks was excellent.
- The AUA History Committee unanimously agreed to give the 2022 AUA Earl Nation Retrospectroscope Award to Shreeya Popat, MD, a Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery fellow at Virginia Mason Franciscan Health in Seattle, Washington, for her manuscript entitled Vagina" is not a Bad Word: Historical and Contemporary Censorship of the Word "Vagina". Honorable Mention was awarded to Jonathan Xu, MD of Beth Israel Lahey Health, Lahey Hospital, for his paper, Think Inside the Box: Wilhelm Reich's Theories on Orgasm and the Orgone.
- Artifact/Financial Donations (it was a good year for History):
  - The 2022 History Booth was supported by UroGen for \$60,000.
  - Sales of novelties at the 2022 Annual Meeting Museum Stall brought in \$16,977.37.
     Donations to the Museum at the Annual Meeting totaled \$2,110.
  - As of 11/30/2022, the Museum has brought in \$23,060 through donations and sales.
- Tours: New Staff tours are once more regularly scheduled, as are tours for groups attending
  educational courses at AUA Headquarters. Tours have been given to the Practice Management
  Coding program attendees, a group of librarians, and attendees at a Hands-On Ultrasound course.