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Dyson Foundation Supports Women's Studio Workshop in Professional Outreach

WSW to Attend CODEX International Book Fair and Southern Graphics Conference

Rosendale, NY — The Dyson Foundation has awarded Women's Studio Workshop grant funds of \$5,500 to support their participation in two professional conferences this winter: CODEX, an international artists' books fair held bi-annually in California, and the annual Southern Graphics Association (SGA) conference to be held this year in Milwaukee, WI.

CODEX draws an international audience of book artists, private and fine art book publishers. One of 182 exhibitors, WSW displayed the hand-printed, limited edition artists' books it publishes. Mark Dimunation, Chief of Rare Books and Special Collections at the Library of Congress, was a featured speaker. WSW's complete oeuvre of artists' books has recently been acquired by the Library of Congress.

The Southern Graphics Conference will be held March 20-23 at the Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design on the University of Wisconsin campus. SGA is the largest gathering focused on the field of printmaking in North America. WSW will present its artists' books and also hold an alumnae reunion.

WSW Executive Director Ann Kalmbach states, "Southern Graphics is a melting pot of practicing professionals and emerging artists and is therefore an excellent venue for WSW to market our programs which serve artists at all stages of their careers."

The Dyson Foundation is a private, family-directed grantmaking foundation headquartered in Millbrook, New York. Established in 1957, the Foundation is led by Robert R. Dyson, who has served as its President since 2000. The Foundation awards grants through a diverse regional funding program in Dutchess County and the Mid-Hudson Valley of New York State.

Women's Studio Workshop (WSW) is a visual arts organization in Rosendale, New York. Since 1974, WSW has brought over 5,000 artists from across the globe to work in the printmaking, hand papermaking, letterpress printing, photography, book arts and ceramics studios. Over 6,000 Ulster County youth have participated in WSW's art-in-education program. WSW's artists' books grant program has published more than 200 artists' books, collected by special collections of major libraries and museums including The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Tate Modern, The Library of Congress, among others.

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