Lyceum Minutes  October 7, 2019

Present:  Susan Oleksiw, Cindi Williams, Christy Park, Saira Austin, Mary Weissblum, Marsha Sloane

Visitors: Annie Storr, Sara McKinnon,
Annie Storr proposed the Corcoran Gallery Method for Looking, now developed and presented as “Exercises for the Quiet Eye,” which emphasizes experiences with art that encourage reflection. She proposes three sessions in which people will encounter art works in the library. A later talk will present the theory behind the project. Dates for these programs have not yet been set.

Sara McKinnon spoke on developing a sustainable ecology and holistic health, but these seemed not fully developed.

Sylvia Malone Martin’s talk scheduled for Oct. 7 was canceled and there are no plans for a future date.

The panel program on Income Equality held on Sept 11 drew a good crowd.

Ramani Rangan’s talk will be held at RNAC - not a Lyceum program

Upcoming Programs

Jackie Linsky’s series on Archiving Materials has been reduced from 6 sessions to 3. The last session is November 5.

Michael Tougias’ talk about his book Ten Hours Till Dawn will take place on Oct 26

Mary will continue to contact Dr. Harvey Zarren about a talk.

On Nov. 6, Sunny Robinson will give a talk on the Southern Border, looking at the historical and contemporary issues surrounding immigration. This is part of a film and discussion series about immigration on the library main floor on the first 3 Wednesdays in November.

Beverly Human Rights Committee sponsored a talk about immigration issues with Denzil Mohammed, director of the ILC Public Education Institute. The suggestion was made that this might be something for the lyceum to consider.
2020 programs

Skip Montello, photographer will present a travel program on South Africa on Jan. 25

Dan Connell will talk about Ethiopia and his wife, Debbie Hird will show photographs on Feb 29

Chris Spittle will present a travel talk about a train vacation on Mar. 28

Jackie Linsky and Cindi Williams will meet on Dec 3 about a Hammond Castle talk and Museum materials for 2020 with a writing program for kids connected to the talk and the materials by Mike Telles.

We received a request to discuss a Dementia Friendly Cape Ann program and we asked for a proposal, for clarity.

Cindi handed out a list of program requests gathered over the year from patron feedback forms.