

Important Dates for the National League of American Pen Women 51st Biennial in Columbus, Ohio

Friday, April 12 • 6:30–8:30P

Loft Gallery Member Biennial Exhibition

Columbus Cultural Arts Center
139 W. Main St., Columbus, 43215

Saturday, April 27 • 6:30–8:30P

**Reception for Pen Women Biennial Art Exhibit
at the Cultural Arts Center Main Gallery**

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Friday, April 26 – Sunday, April 28

NLAPW National Biennial Conference

The Westin Great Southern Hotel
310 S. High St., Columbus, OH 43215



**“The core values of
NLAPW are respect,
knowledge, creation and
preservation of the arts.”**

– From the Mission Statement of NLAPW

**We are the Central Ohio Branch of the
National League of American Pen Women.**

The national organization was founded in 1897, and consists of 82 Branches, 20 State Associations and many Members-at-Large. Membership includes over 1,600 professional women artists, writers, composers, and choreographers, to name only a few of the artistic professions represented by the League.

For NLAPW as well as the Central Ohio Branch, outreach is an important component of our mission.

“The mission of NLAPW’s Outreach Program is to provide support and promote community based arts and creative educational programs . . . The purpose of Outreach is to advance the creative arts and increase an awareness of the need for all citizens to have access to the enjoyment of the arts and creative endeavors.”

– National Outreach Mission Statement

NLAPW is a 501(c)(3) organization of women professionals in art, music, writing, and allied professions.

We support, encourage, inspire and learn from one another through professional presentations, well informed, creative exchanges and exposure to all branches of the arts. We mentor new members through the application process and celebrate one another’s successes.

For membership information visit our website or e-mail us at the address below.

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E-mail: nlapwcentraloh@gmail.com**

National League of American Pen Women **Central Ohio Branch** 2023-24 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



2023-24 Pen Women Program Lineup — Arts, Letters, Music and You!

Sunday, September 10 • 2–4P

“All Together” Opening Reception and Kick-Off

Martin DePorres Center
2330 Airport Drive Columbus, OH 43219

We're thrilled to unveil our “All Together” Exhibition, a diverse showcase of talent that truly brings us all together. This event marks the exciting kickoff celebration of the year.

Tuesday, October 17 • 6:30–8:30P

“Haunted History of Columbus”

Nellie Kampmann, GUEST SPEAKER

Hilliard Branch, Columbus Metropolitan Library
4500 Hickory Way, Hilliard 43026



Certified hypnotherapist and author Nellie Kampmann works professionally in the field of history. Her interest in local ghost folklore led her to become a tour guide on the Columbus Landmarks Foundation's yearly ghost tours. Nellie blogs about paranormal topics on Haunted History of Columbus, Ohio. She has a book on local ghost stories by the same name.



From the playful spirits of the Kelton House Museum & Garden to the wavy-armed apparition that prowls the fourth floor of Ohio State's main library, Columbus is teeming with ghosts. Join us on a journey to meet mischievous souls and malevolent entities that aren't quite ready to leave the city.

Thursday, November 2 • 1–3P

How to Apply for Grants and Fellowships Panel Discussion – Led by Various Members

Whetstone Library
3909 N. High St., Columbus, 4321

Various members of the Central OH Branch come together for a roundtable event to discuss strategies and tips for applying for grants and fellowships in all fields of art, music, and literature.

Tuesday, December 5 • 11:30A–2:30P

Annual Holiday Luncheon

Goodale Landing, Ohio Living Westminster Thurber,
340 W. Goodale St., Columbus, 43215

The Central OH Pen Women will have our annual holiday luncheon with time to socialize and share current projects.

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Friday, January 12 • 1:30P

Docent Tour – Columbus Museum of Art

Columbus Museum of Art
480 E. Broad St., Columbus, 43215

Lunch plans are TBD — then gather for a docent led tour of selected works in the collection at 1:30 p..

Friday, February 16 • 12–2P

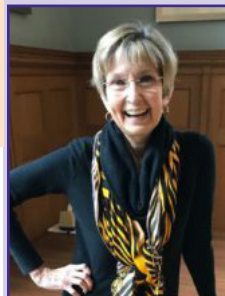
Pretty Funny: Women and Comedy

Linda Mizejewski, GUEST SPEAKER

Columbus Metropolitan Library- Main
96 S. Grant Ave., Columbus, 43215

Linda Mizejewski is a Distinguished Professor of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at the Ohio State University. Linda has been a Fulbright Lecturer in Slovakia and Romania, and her research has been supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Council of Learned Societies. In 2004 she was a winner of Ohio State University's Alumni Distinguished Teaching Award.

Women's comedy has long been a prime spot for women to talk back and break taboos in mainstream popular culture. But women in comedy have traditionally been pegged as either “pretty” or “funny.” This talk is an overview of women's comedy beginning with West and ending with the new generation of women comedians such as Tina Fey, Wanda Sykes, and Ellen DeGeneres who flout the pretty-versus-funny dynamic, targeting glamour and in some cases making it clear that in popular culture, “pretty” almost always means “white.”



Monday, March 11 • 6:30–8:30P

Columbus Koto Ensemble

Upper Arlington Library
2800 Tremont Rd., Columbus, 43221

With their broad musical background, the Columbus Koto Ensemble highlights the culture of Japan and the diversity and versatility of the koto, which is similar to a Western harp or dulcimer. Their repertoire includes a wide range of music including traditional works, mesmerizing modern compositions, and innovative cover songs of rock, pop, and anime favorites.

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Tuesday, May 7

Jennifer Evans Kinsley, MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Columbus Metropolitan Library - Main
96 S. Grant Ave., Columbus, 43215



Jennifer Evans Kinsley is a maker of books and music. An active book artist, she exhibits her works locally and nationally. Her work is included in Lark Publication's 500 HANDMADE BOOKS.

She performs and instructs others on the Hammered and

Appalachian Dulcimer. An avid contra dancer Jennifer performs with the contra dance band Firefly Trace. A Certified Practitioner of Therapeutic Music she provides Complementary Medicine methodology to bring healing tones to the ill, recovering, and hospice individuals.

“As a child I was surrounded by domestic craftswomen. The homes of my grandmothers, great aunts, and mother were filled with drawings, writings, quilts and afghans, sewn creations embellished with thread and buttons, and reliquaries containing ephemera and personal treasures. It was directly from them that I first learned to draw, paint, sew, crochet, quilt, embroider, knit, assemble.

As an adult I continued to practice domestic arts. My interests expanded to weaving, painting, ceramics, sculpture, papermaking, and surface decoration techniques such as marbling and paste-painting. I eventually discovered that the book is the perfect vessel to hold and order words and images. ...”

Tuesday, June 4 • 11:30A–2:30P

Pen Women Annual Luncheon and Show & Tell

Rocky Fork Country Club,
5189 Clark State Rd, Gahanna, OH 43230

The Central Ohio Pen Women will have our annual Spring Luncheon followed by a Show & Tell to share work or tell us about upcoming projects and events.