Tribute Fund established for Ricker Library in honor of Prof. Jane Block

Jane Block recently retired as Head of the Ricker Architecture and Art Library after serving for more than twenty-five years. Under Jane’s guidance the Ricker Library became one of the finest architecture and art libraries in North America. In addition to her superb librarianship she has maintained an impressive research agenda publishing widely in her field of study.

Her scholarship is being celebrated currently in an exhibition in Brussels at the ING Cultural Centre. The exhibition will travel to the Indianapolis Museum of Art where it opens on June 15th and closes on September 7th, 2014. The resulting catalogue, *Neo-Impressionist Portraits, 1886-1904* is published by Yale University Press.

In honor of her retirement a tribute fund designated for the Ricker Architecture and Art Library has been created. The fund will be used to purchase architecture and art materials which will continue to strengthen Ricker Library’s holdings. Each volume will bear a plate indicating “Purchased with the Jane Block Tribute Fund.”

To make a tax-deductible gift, please make your check payable to the University of Illinois Foundation. Please write ‘Block tribute/Ricker library’ in the memo line and mail to the University of Illinois Foundation, P. O. Box 3429, Champaign, IL 61826-3429. Alternatively, you may contribute online at [www.library.illinois.edu/friends/gift.html](http://www.library.illinois.edu/friends/gift.html). The Foundation will notify Jane of your gift in her honor. We wish Jane all the best in her retirement!

Chris Quinn
Interim Head, Ricker Library


Professor Jack Baker

Jack Baker, Professor of Architecture at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign from 1950-1990, died on November 24, 2013. Professor Baker was a generous supporter and friend of Ricker Library. In addition to his financial support he also left his mark on the library’s current appearance, having designed the beautiful glass doors and exhibit cases that grace the entrance to the library, and which match his “fishbowl” gallery across the hall. He will be missed greatly as a patron, donor, and friend.

Summer Hours

Ricker Library summer hours will begin on May 19.
Commencement weekend May 17-18: CLOSED
May 19—August 24 Mon—Fri: Open 9am—5pm
Holidays: CLOSED (Memorial Day, May 26th & Independence Day, July 4th)
New Closed Stacks Titles

The Architect’s Handbook of Professional Practice
Q. 720.68 A253
Fifteenth edition of a key source on the practice of architecture. Much of the content is new and many of the authors are new to the handbook.

Josef Paul Kleihues: Works 1966-1980 (V.2)
Q. 720.943 K674jo

Alvaro Siza: Complete Works 1952-2013
Q. 720.9469 Si99alo
Most recent volume in Taschen’s oversize complete works series. The volume focuses on the work of the Portuguese architect Alvaro Siza.

John Baldessari Catalogue Raisonné (V.2)
Q. 709.73 B192j
Second volume of the catalogue raisonné of Baldessari, which covers 1975-86. Ricker already owns Volume 1 covering 1956-74. (Vault)

Vincent van Gogh: The Years in France: Complete Paintings 1886-1930: Dealers, Collectors, Exhibitions, Provenance
Q. 759.9492 G55vcvg
Catalogue raisonné covering van Gogh’s years in France. Includes sections on Paris, Arles, Saint-Rémy, and Auvers. (Vault)

Thanks for…

Donations of materials to the library

- **Professor Jane Block**—for her donation of *Harmony* (Norton, 1962) and *The Story of Art* (Phaidon, 1966)
- **Professor David Chasco**—for the donation of 27 architecture books
- **Deloris Holiman**—for her donation of *Adventures in Light and Color* (Random House, 1937)
- **Mr. Robert Kleinschmidt**—for the donation of 24 books and two magazines
- **Professor Robert B. Olshansky**—for his donation of *Toward Legacy: Design Workshop’s Pursuit of Ideals in Landscape Architecture, Planning and Urban Design* (Grayson, 2007) and *New Gardens of the American West: Residential Landscapes of Design Workshop* (Grayson, 2003)
Selected New Acquisitions in Art

George Ohr: The Greatest Art Potter on Earth.
(Q. 738.9073 Oh547h)

Princely Citizen: Lorenzo de’ Medici and Renaissance Florence.
(709.45 K414p)

Art Studio America: Contemporary Artist Spaces.
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The following is a list of noteworthy recent acquisitions received at Ricker Library over the past few months. If you would like a more extensive list of new books, please consult the new book carousel on the home page which will connect you to a comprehensive list of new materials. For a more customized search (call number limits, a shorter period of time, etc.), you can click the “New Search” or “Modify Search” buttons at the top of this page to adjust the list accordingly.

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