Helen Hiebert, Spring 2016 Guest Artist

The Friends of the University Libraries, Kalamazoo Book Arts Center (KBAC) and the Handmade Paper Guild of Southwest Michigan are pleased to bring you Helen Hiebert. Helen is a professional papermaker and book artist based in Colorado and the author of five books. She has produced a film about art and nature, *Water Paper Time* (2008), as well as an instructional film on papermaking, *The Papermaker’s Studio Guide* (2012). She will give a public talk on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at WMU’s Richmond Center, in room 2008, between 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.. Light refreshments will be served by the Friends following the talk.

Helen Hiebert’s visit will include exhibits of her work at Waldo Library, Western Michigan University, and at the Kalamazoo Book Arts Center, in the Park Trades Center with an opening on Friday April 8. Also, she will teach two classes at the KBAC: *Innovations in Paper Weaving* on Saturday, April 9 and *Papermaking & Alternative Processes* on Sunday, April 10. (See the KBAC workshop schedule for more details: [http://kalbookarts.org/workshops/](http://kalbookarts.org/workshops/))

Images are three examples of Hiebert’s artwork. Copyright Helen Hiebert.
Public Lecture: Medieval Islamic Maps, Dr. Karen Pinto

The Friends of the University Libraries Annual Meeting will take place between 4:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m., Thursday, May 5, 2016 at the Zhang Legacy Collections Center, in the Reading Room. We will begin the meeting with a brief amount of business: a review of the year’s activities and the appointment of officers for 2016-2017. Following the business portion of the meeting, bookseller and appraiser Gene Alloway of Motte & Bailey Books, Ann Arbor will give a short presentation on the process of book appraisal and will appraise books on site for Friends members. (minimum membership is $10.) *Please note that the appraisals done at this meeting will be “ball-park” appraisals, similar to what is done on the popular Antiques Roadshow television program. The event/appraisals are a fundraiser for the Friends at $5 donation per book. Preregistering is optional by sharing the book title at 269-387-5202, Lou Morgan. You may show more than 1 book if time allows. So, please come and bring those interesting books whose value or significance you may have wondered about. Light refreshments will be served. Note: most old family Bibles are not valuable except for sentimental reasons.

In Memoriam: Leta Cole Schoenhals (1920-2016)

Leta Cole Schoenhals passed away on January 30, 2016. She earned both her bachelor’s and master’s degrees at Western Michigan University. Before her retirement, she served as a high school counselor for Portage Public Schools for 24 years. She was involved in numerous community organizations including the Friends of the University Libraries. She served as President of the Friends and was also the first person to become a lifetime member. She was a donor to the University’s Archives, as well. The Neil and Leta Schoenhals Undergraduate Memorial Fund, at Western Michigan University has been created in remembrance of Leta and her late husband, Neil.

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