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**Center for Research Libraries  
Council of Voting Members Meeting  
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**Nominating Committee Report**

**Background**

The CRL Nominating Committee is tasked with proposing a slate of three candidates for the CRL Board of Directors at the 2023 Council of Voting Members Meeting on April 16, 2024.

The members of the 2024 Nominating Committee are:

- Shawn Calhoun, University of San Francisco
- Talia Chung, University of Ottawa
- Makiba Foster, The College of Wooster
- Dean Hendrix, University of Texas at San Antonio
- Jim O'Donnell, Arizona State University
- Greg Eow (*ex officio*), Center for Research Libraries

Per the CRL bylaws:

Article 7: Committees

**1. Nominating Committee.** There shall be a Nominating Committee to nominate candidates for the Board of Directors. This committee shall consist of five individuals appointed by the chair from among the councilors, and the chair shall designate one of them as the chair of the committee. Members of the Nominating Committee shall not be excluded from nomination.

**Current CRL Board Members with Expiring Terms**

This year, there are two outgoing members of the CRL Board:

- Adriene Lim, University of Maryland
- Lorelei Tanji, University of California, Irvine

Likewise, there is one CRL Board member whose first 3-year term is due to expire:

- Donald Gilstrap, University of Alabama

## **Recommended Slate for 2024 Candidates for the CRL Board of Directors**

As in past years, we aim to put forth a slate of candidates that brings a diversity of perspectives and expertise to the CRL Board. Additionally, the Nominating Committee aimed to design a slate of nominees that represent the broad institutional and geographic diversity of our institutional members. We also aimed to allow for a degree of continuity in CRL Board of Directors membership, given that CRL will undergo a leadership transition in 2024. With these goals in mind, the Nominating Committee recommends the following slate for 2023:

- Peter Bae, Director, Bowdoin College Library (Maine, USA)
- Guylaine Beaudry, Dean of Libraries, McGill University (Québec, CANADA)
- Donald Gilstrap, Dean of Libraries, University of Alabama (Alabama, USA)

\*As noted above, per the CRL bylaws, “Members of the Nominating Committee shall not be excluded from nomination.”

## **Biographies for CRL Board of Directors Candidates**

### **Guylaine Beaudry, McGill University (Montréal, Québec/CANADA)**

Guylaine Beaudry is the Trenholme Dean of Libraries at McGill University, where she is leading the creation of a new library complex: The Fiat Lux Project. She was previously Vice-Provost, Digital Strategy and University Librarian at Concordia University (Montreal) and led the major renovation of the Webster Library and the university-wide digital strategy. She was before the Executive Director of Érudit ([www.erudit.org](http://www.erudit.org)), a publishing platform for humanities and social sciences scholarly books and journals. She wrote many publications on scholarly publishing, notably, the books *La communication scientifique et le numérique*, (Hermès/Lavoisier, Paris), *Le nouveau monde numérique et les revues scientifiques* (Les Presses de l'Université de Montréal (PUM) and La Découverte, Paris, France), that was translated and published by University of Calgary Press (*Scholarly Journals in the New Digital World*) and *Profession: bibliothécaire* (PUM).

In 2019, she was elected to fellowship in the Royal Society of Canada and served in 2014 on its Expert Panel on the status and future of libraries and archives in Canada. She holds a doctorate in history of the book from École pratique des hautes études (Paris). Her thesis is entitled “Scholarly communications and the digital revolution: Analysis of a mutation period from a historical perspective.”

### **Peter Bae, Bowdoin College (Maine, USA)**

Peter Bae is the Director of Bowdoin College Library (Maine, USA), overseeing all aspects of library operations. Deeply rooted in the library resource sharing field, he served in various leadership roles such as the ALA RUSA STARS Executive Committee, ALA IRRT Executive Board and OCLC Global Council. Furthermore, he has contributed to the IFLA Document Delivery and Resource Sharing Section Standing Committee as Information Coordinator and Secretary. Notably, he spearheaded [rscvd.org](http://rscvd.org), an international resource sharing initiative.

Prior to his current role, Peter worked as an ILL librarian at the University at Albany, Columbia University Libraries, and Princeton University Library, gaining expertise in collection access, fulfillment, and resource sharing. His passion lies in the international aspects of library resource sharing activities.

### **Donald Gilstrap, University of Alabama (Alabama, USA)**

Don Gilstrap is Dean and Professor of University Libraries and Professor of Educational Leadership, Policy, and Technology Studies at The University of Alabama where he has served since 2016. Beginning his career as a STEM librarian and system administrator for enterprise level systems, he has served at several research universities, ranging from his work at the University of Connecticut with the creation of the Connecticut Information Technology Institute to re-establishing the University of Oklahoma Libraries as a Center for Research Libraries voting member in 2007.

He received the Connecticut Community Colleges System's meritorious service award for his work leading the state's twelve community colleges from four separate integrated library systems to one, and he received the State of Oklahoma Board of Regents of Higher Education Award for Outstanding Service for his leadership on statewide collections purchasing. He has been active in numerous library organizations, editorial, and gubernatorial appointed boards, and committees. Dr. Gilstrap holds a BA in History and French with a minor in German, an MA in European History, and an MLS in Information Management from Emporia State University. He conducted research for his thesis at the Eisenhower, Truman, and Johnson Presidential Libraries, relying extensively on French language documents at the Eisenhower Library's Compagnie universelle du canal maritime de Suez collection which led to its opening for public access by NARA. He also served as a research emissary for the Alliance of Universities for Democracy in Budapest, Hungary. He received his PhD in Educational Leadership from the University of Oklahoma and has held joint doctoral program faculty appointments in the Colleges of Education at the University of Oklahoma, Wichita State University, and The University of Alabama. He remains active in scholarship on research methods, leadership, assessment of learning, and nonlinear dynamics.