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NATIONAL STEREOSCOPIC ASSOCIATION

Convention 84 Information



1984 CONVENTION IN DEPTH

The International Stereoscopic Union, in the person of Arthur Girling (secretary and editor of its publication STEREO SCOPY) is the latest in the long line of whimsy-lovers who have embraced 1984 NSA Convention "Old Man of the Mountain" logo. Not only embraced it, but converted it into a stereoscopic pair! Mr. Girling, of London, England, has been drawing stereo pairs for years. Many have graced the pages of STEREO SCOPY and others have appeared in relation to special events of the ISU.

Among the items providing an international flavor to the 1984 Convention will be exhibits of outstanding foreign views by the Kilburn Brothers and others, along with several contemporary *Hugo de Wijs* Dutch viewers (one a sequential device with 21 slides). Some German stereo literature of the 30's and, it is hoped, some stereophiles from foreign shores will also add to the three-day event.

MORE EXHIBITS & PRESENTATIONS—

"Stereo Views, Illusion and Reality" is a comprehensive stereo exhibit prepared by Convention Arrangements Chairman Bob Kroeger. This exhibit enjoyed a nearly one month long engagement at Plymouth State College in New Hampshire during March. It covered a broad spectrum of stereo views from the Langenheim era to Keystones of the 20's and 30's. For the Convention, the three display cases used at Plymouth State will have to be reduced to a single display board but a reward remains in store for those who make the effort to see it.

A new edition of the presentation on Ricalton, the Underwood & Underwood photographer, has been assembled by Doreen Rappaport and Susan Kempler. Originally shown some years ago at an NSA Convention in Canton, Ohio, the piece is an "oldie but goodie" that will hold everyone's attention at the gathering celebrating the group's 10th anniversary.

John Waldsmith is completing a documentary on Vermont Photographer A.F. Styles, and Paul Wing's "The Stereoscope in America" (first seen at last year's Buxton ISU Congress) will be presented.

Contemporary offerings scheduled include the Annual Sequence Show of the Photographic Society of America; a series of short subjects from England set to music produced by Dave Burder; and a fascinating presentation on anaglyphs by NSA member and Polaroid engineer Bob Brackett.

Projection with circular polarization is the biggest surprise of the presentation program. Thanks to the Polaroid Corporation, the system known as Polaroid II is being made available. With this system, one does not have to hold the head carefully horizontal when viewing the screen. Image cancellation is not dependent on the orientation of the viewing glasses.

A unique feature of this year's convention will be a stereo slide presentation on the New Hampshire primary election.

CONVENTION TID-BITS

The Sheraton-Wayfarer Hotel has prepared a list of cultural and shopping attractions in the Manchester area that describes things to do, places to see, and shops to spend money in—including some fabulous New England outlet stores. SASE to Don Bracco, 348 Hayward Mill Road, Concord, MA 01742.

Robin Wheeler, in charge of convention finances, points out that a member's spouse qualifies as a member and is entitled to member rates. Thus, the lower \$12.50 registration fee applies to each spouse, for a total of \$25.00.

Don't be over- (or under)whelmed when you see Bedford, New Hampshire mentioned as the Convention site. Actually the Sheraton Wayfarer *is* in Bedford, but because this is on the outskirts of Manchester, the Inn always uses the address, Bedford-Manchester.

The auction is brim-full now with all sorts of goodies being catalogued. But it's not too late to send in contributed items on which the NSA will retain full selling price and you are entitled to a tax-deduction. A receipt will be sent you after the auction, if you request it. For information about the auction and the items you might want to bring with you or send in that won't be in the catalog, write to Richard Russack, RFD 1, Box 426A, Fremont, NH 03044.

LATE WORD FROM THE WHITE MOUNTAINS!

Original Kilburn views from the collection of B. W. Kilburn, bequeathed to the Littleton Public Library by Daniel Remich, B. W.'s son-in-law, will be auctioned off during the visitation of NSA members to Littleton on Sunday, August 19.

The views are duplicates of ones in the Kilburn Collection that were discovered by Dick Hamilton, NSA member and chairman of the tour to the White Mountains. Dick is an officer of the Littleton Historical Society and active with the Library. He has been conducting an inventory of the more than 12,000 views, and supplying archival preservation, for some time. The auction is being scheduled in connection with the dinner at the Continental "93" Convention Center, a highlight of the tour to Littleton and the White Mountains.

Don Bracco, Larry Wolfe
Co-Chairmen, '84 NSA Convention

