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| **Archivists of the Houston Area**  **2016 Slate of Candidates** | |
| Vice-President |  |
| Emily Vinson | Emily Vinson became a member of AHA! when she moved to Houston in 2013 to work as an archivist at Rice University’s Baker Institute. Since then, she has moved to the University of Houston Special Collections where she is the Library’s first Audiovisual Archivist. Emily earned her MSIS at UT Austin with a certificate of advanced study in Preservation Administration. Prior to her move to Houston she worked at New York Public Library and New York Public Radio, and spent four months volunteering at the Expatriate Archives in The Hague. |
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| Treasurer |  |
| Sandra Yates | AHA member since 2013, Sandra Yates started her Houston-area archive  career path as Library Assistant at the San Jacinto Museum of History in 2001. She earned her graduate degree from the School of Information at the University of Texas in 2010. She is currently the Archivist and Special Collections Librarian at the TMC Library's McGovern Historical Center. She likes spreadsheets! |
| Adrian Melissinos | Adrian Melissinos, PhD, RN, is not an archivist, but a registered nurse who  pursues research in nursing history. She has felt welcomed to this friendly group and has found the interactions with the group members to be invaluable in her work. She supports the mission of AHA! and encourages others, especially nurses, to consider the donation of materials to local archives. |
| Secretary |  |
| Matt Richardson | Matt Richardson joined both the University of Houston Libraries and AHA! in 2014. This year, he has served as AHA! Secretary, and started his formal archival education at the University of North Texas. At UH, Matt works with curators in Special Collections to update finding aids, maintain order in the archival stacks, and accession both physical and born-digital materials. Prior to coming to Houston, Matt spent many years in the Chicago area, where he received an MA in Liberal Studies and worked in library preservation at Northwestern University. |
| Albert Duran | Albert Duran is a Project Archivist at the Texas Medical Center (TMC) John P. McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center (MHC). He has enjoyed his first three months processing, describing, and creating the finding aids for the manuscript collections. Additionally, Albert is a Part-Time Metadata Librarian at the University of Houston where he works to create, review, and update metadata for the UH Digital Library. The UH Digital Library consists of collections mainly from UH Special Collections Department and other Libraries on campus.  Albert received his MLIS from St. John’s University.  MLIS from St. John’s University  AHA Member |