



# Agenda for 2024 RGME Open Business Meeting at ICMS



9 May 2024 at 12:00–1:00 pm EDT (GMT-4) in person (Student Center 3205) with Zoom option  
*Newcomers are welcome.* Lunch is served (*via a donation*). Register via *RGME Eventbrite*.\*

- I. **Hello & Welcome.** Our organization is powered by Donors & Volunteers: “Where there’s Good Will there’s a Way”.
- II. **Organization, Management:** Director, Trustees, Officers. New Trustee + Secretary (2023+): **David Porreca**.  
**Committees:** Fund-Raising, Editorial, Website Advisory, Oversight, Task Force for RGME Library & Archives. *Etc.?*  
**People:** Officers, Associates, Volunteers, Donors, Supporters, WebMasters/Editors, Organizers, Presenters, Presiders, Moderators, Respondents, “Back-Up Team”, Tech Support, (Copy-)Editors, Proof-Readers, Layout Designers, et al. *Help?*  
*New: Friends of the Research Group on Manuscript Evidence* (donors, contributors, newcomers): *Join & Plan!*
- III. **Fund-Raising, Recruiting:** *Report from Fund-Raising Committee: Derek Shank. (Levels/Names for Donor Tiers?)*
- IV. **Activities.** Theme for 2023 “**Materials & Access**” / 2024 “**Bridges**” (RGME Anniversary Year). *Theme for 2025?*  
Each year: Our customary Activities *plus* (subject to funding) Year-Long Projects (2023 and 2024) funded by grants.
- 1) **Events:** Online & In person (by Invitation & Calls for Proposals / CFPs)  
ICMS (Kalamazoo) 2024 (‘hybrid’). 9–11 May (3 Sessions, Open Business Meeting, Reception). *You are here. Enjoy!*  
**2025?** Thurs–Sat, 8–11 May: Session *Proposals* by 1 June 2024, Papers by 15 Sept, Programs by 15 Oct. *Interest?*  
IMS (Leeds) 2024, 1–4 July (*Inaugural Session*). **2025? Proposals** for Papers due 31 Aug. 2024; Session by 20 Sept. *Yes?*  
**Spring & Autumn Symposia:** Autumn Symposium, Sat 21 October 2023 (online) “Between Earth and Sky”. *Review?*  
Spring, 19–21 April 2024 (hybrid): online and in person at Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York  
“Between Past & Future: Building Bridges between Special Collections & Teaching for the Liberal Arts”. *Review?*  
Autumn, 21 October 2024 (online): “At the Helm: Spotlight on Special Collections as Teaching Events”\*. *Help?*  
**2024 Anniversary Symposium** “Manuscript (He)Art” in Thanks to Jesse D. Hurlbut, RGME WebMaster Emeritus (online 24 February 2024), with 64–page illustrated Symposium Booklet. *Review for our Website/Newsletter?*  
**Episodes for “The Research Group Speaks”** (online). Episodes 11–19\* (Sept. 2023 – Dec. 2024). *Register\*! More?*  
**Interviews:** Recording Oral Tradition & Living Memory (2023+ Project on RGME Library & Archives). *Subjects?*
- 2) **Projects** (*inter alia*): Materials, Subjects, Volunteers & *Interns Wanted — Part-Time Job Openings* (*apply to the Director*).  
Research, Photography, Conservation, Reviews, Interviews, Publishing, Distribution/Access, Teaching, Surveys, CFPs, etc.  
*2023 Project* for the *RGME Library & Archives*, with Delmas Foundation Grant: Building a Plan for the Plan.  
*2024 Project “Between Past & Future”*, with Delmas Foundation Grant: Special Collections & Teaching for Liberal Arts
- V. **Publications:** Both printed and digital, produced in-house, mostly free-of-charge (through donations). *Help Wanted.*  
**RGME Website:** Changeover in *Webmaster* (30 June 2023); we seek funding for annual subscription, editing, etc.  
**Blogs & Blogposts:** *GuestBloggers & Blogposts Wanted / Help with Peer-Review, Editing* (also Editorial Committee).  
**RGME multi-lingual digital font Bembino:** Version 1.6; Fonts in preparation: Devanāgarī, Tibetan, Tenguar (Elvish).  
**Print/e-Publications:** Research/Event Booklets; Papers; Drafts for Comment; Books; Anthology Volume? *Help?*  
**RGME e-Newsletter ShelfMarks:** Next issue (Vol. 3) in preparation. *Notices, features, reviews, editing, etc., wanted.*  
**RGME Bulletin ShelfLife:** Next issue (Vol. 2) proposed for 2024 Anthology. *Notices, features, reviews, editing, etc.*  
**Social Media:** *Facebook (Both Page & Group), \*Twitter, LinkedIn Group, Bluesky, Eventbrite Collections. Join us!*  
**Video Recordings** for RGME Events: The 2023 Project for Editing & Processing set our templates. *More help wanted.*
- VI. **Matters Arising.** *Any?*  
*Date for next Meeting(s):* 2024 Pre-Congress Business Meeting (April?); Congress Business Meeting (May at ICMS)?
- VII. **Adjournment, with Thanks.**