Upcoming noon talks in MBL Grass Reading Room Fridays July 26 & August 2 [1]

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"Ten scientists" photograph by Baldwin Coolidge, summer of 1894

The MBLWHOI Library and the MBL Community Archives Project

You are invited to 2 Community Archives talks, on the Fridays of July 26 and August 2

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July 26 at noon, Grass Reading Room, MBLWHOI Library:

Visualizing History from "Stuff" to Stories: Building a Community Archive

Jane Maienschein, Director, Center for Biology and Society, School of Life Sciences, Arizona State University; Dr. Maienschein specializes in the history and philosophy of biology and the way that biology, bioethics, and biopolicy play out in society. Focusing on research in embryology, genetics, and cytology, Dr Maienschein combines detailed analysis of the epistemological standards, theories, laboratory practices and experimental approaches with study of the people, institutions, and changing social, political, and legal context in which science thrives. She loves teaching and is committed to public education about biology and its human dimensions. Dr. Maienschein has organized the annual History of Biology seminar at MBL for over 25 years, and is author of One Hundred Years Exploring Life, 1888-1988: The Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole (1989).

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August 2 at noon, Grass Reading Room, MBLWHOI Library:
Viktor Hamburger and Embryological Traditions at MBL

Michael R. Dietrich is a Professor of Biological Sciences at Dartmouth College. As a science historian in a Biology department Dr. Dietrich states: "My scholarship cuts across history, philosophy, and sociology of science as well as biology itself. Being embedded in a biology department has reinforced this interdisciplinary perspective and has allowed me to gain a much deeper appreciation of how biologists work, make decisions, and communicate what they know to both students and colleagues." His current research includes work on the the fate of embryologists who were forced to flee Germany. Part of that research concentrates on Viktor Hamburger’s developmental genetics research on the creeper mutant. He will speak of this work relative to building the exhibits of the MBL Community Archives, and how these tools may be applied to other people and other sets of records.

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