

MIDWEST ANTIQUARIAN BOOKSELLERS ASSOCIATION (MWABA)

Membership Benefits

- Affiliation with professional booksellers organization that was established in 1977.
- Name and business information listed in hard copy member directory.
- Name and business information on website member directory.
- Enhanced opportunity to network with fellow booksellers.
- Periodic online member newsletters.
- Email and website information and updates regarding various book matters, events and people.
- Book fair participants receive lower booth rates at MWABA book fairs .
- Non-book fair participants receive free admission to Chicago area MWABA bookfairs .
- Member discount rate from Gaylord Brothers.
- Occasional member social events.

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Membership Application

If you are interested in becoming a member of the MWABA, kindly complete the attached application and return it to the Membership Chair; contact information is below.

The information you provide in Sections 1 and 2 will be used to create your listing on the MWABA Website and the MWABA Directory.

NAME OF BUSINESS: _____

NAME OF OWNER(S): _____

ADDRESS OF BUSINESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT): _____

WEBSITE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

2. Brief description of your business specialties and your business hours (if an open shop), or mail order/internet only, or only open by appointment, etc.

3. How long have you been a bookseller?

4. Other information that you would like us to know about you. (Attach another sheet, if needed.)

5. References – Please enclose letters of recommendation from three current members of the Midwest Antiquarian Booksellers Association who are familiar with your business. These individuals should know you and /or have done business with you. Also note: it is your responsibility to make sure these letters are submitted with your application. Non-receipt or delays in receiving recommendations are the primary reasons why the processing of new members may be delayed.

6. Any other comments?

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please forward your completed application to the MWAB A Membership Chair:

Kurt Gippert, Membership Chair
2898 Milwaukee Ave.
Chicago, IL 60618
Email address: books@kurtgippert.com
Telephone: 773-583-7613

What happens now?

Upon receipt of a completed application, the Membership Chair notifies the general membership of the new prospective member. The general membership then has 30 days to comment on the application. At the end of this period, all comments and recommendations will be shared with the Board of Directors who will be asked to vote on the application. The Membership Chair will notify the applicant of the results.

Accepted applicants will also be contacted by the MWAB A Coordinator regarding the details of where to send the initiation fee of \$50 and the annual dues of \$60 per year, which are due upon acceptance.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Membership Chair directly at any time in the process.