

# ERIN FLETCHER

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## EDUCATION

2015

**Rare Book School**, Charlottesville, VA  
Advanced Seminar in the History of Bookbinding  
- recipient of William T. Buice III Scholarship

2014

Introduction to the History of Bookbinding  
- recipient of Directors' Scholarship

2010 - 2012

**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA  
Full-time Bookbinding program  
- recipient of Ecke Scholarship

2004 - 2008

**The School of the Art Institute of Chicago**, Chicago, IL  
Bachelor of Fine Arts, with an emphasis on Fiber & Material  
Studies, Printmaking and Book Arts  
- recipient of Roger Brown Scholarship

## EXPERIENCE

2012 - present

**Herringbone Bindery**, South Boston, MA  
*Proprietor & Bookbinder*  
- unique and edition hand bookbinding, fine binding and boxes

2012 - 2022

**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA  
*Continuing Education Instructor*  
- teach public workshops in the bookbinding department

2014 - 2020

*Middle School Book Arts Program Instructor*  
- teach bookbinding techniques to local Boston middle school students

2016 - 2021

**Guild of Book Workers: New England Chapter**, Boston, MA  
*Chapter Chair*  
- maintain mission statement; oversee and manage committee on programming, communications and finances; communicate with members

2012 - 2016

*Programs Co-Chair*  
- develop and schedule workshops, lectures and other programming for both members and non-members

## TEACHING

- 2022 **San Francisco Center for the Book**, San Francisco, CA  
Shrigley Workshop (online)
- 2021 **San Francisco Center for the Book**, San Francisco, CA  
Shrigley Workshop (online)
- Maine Media Workshops + College**, Rockport, ME  
Shrigley Workshop (online)
- 2020 **Cambridge Arts Association**, Cambridge, MA  
Artist Books Workshop (online)
- Maine Media Workshops + College**, Rockport, ME  
Yotsume Toji Workshop, Secret Belgian Binding Workshop, and  
Shrigley Workshop (online)
- 2019 **University of Southern Maine**, Portland, ME  
Cross Structure Binding Workshop
- Pattison Paperworks**, Otisfield, ME  
Embroidery on Leather Workshop
- Maine Media Workshops + College**, Rockport, ME  
Variations on Single Signature Workshop
- 2018 **San Francisco Center for the Book**, San Francisco, CA  
3-Part Bradel Workshop
- Maine Media Workshops + College**, Rockport, ME  
Millimeter Binding Workshop
- Lone Star Chapter of Guild of Book Workers**, Texas A&M  
Conservation Lab, College Station, TX  
Introduction to Embroidery on Leather Workshop
- Paper & Book Intensive**, Ox-Bow School of the Arts,  
Saugatuk, MI  
Introduction to Embroidery on Leather Workshop
- University of Southern Maine**, Portland, ME  
Secret Belgian Binding Workshop
- 2016 **Rocky Mountain Chapter of Guild of Book Workers**,  
Denver Bookbinding Company, Denver, CO  
Secret Belgian Binding Workshop

2015

**Urbano Project**, Jamaica Plain, MA  
Simple Binding Structures for Artist Books Workshop

2014

**The Art Institute of Boston**, Boston, MA

2012

Secret Belgian Binding Workshop

2011

Historical Long Stitch Workshop

Drop Spine Box Workshop

## EXHIBITIONS

2022 - 2023

Designer Bookbinders International Bookbinding Competition: A Gathering of Leaves

*Craft of the Dyer* on exhibit

**Weston Library, Bodleian Libraries**, Oxford, England

**Sotheby's**, London, England

**University of Edinburgh Library**, Edinburgh, Scotland

2022

Society of Bookbinders International Bookbinding Competition 2022

*Magic Show Tonite!* on exhibit

**George Bayntun**, Bath, England

**Shepherds**, London, England

2021 - 2022

Stichting Handboekbinden International Bookbinding Competition - Box Your Book

*box for Sheila Hicks Apprentissages* on exhibit

**BoekKunstBeurs**, Leiden, The Netherlands

**OBA, Public Library**, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2021 - 2022

Guild of Book Workers Traveling Exhibition: Wild/LIFE

*at low water* on exhibit

**American Bookbinders Museum**, San Francisco, CA

**Robert C. Williams Museum of Papermaking, Georgia**

**Institute of Technology**, Atlanta, GA

**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA

**Collins Memorial Library, University of Puget Sound**, Tacoma, WA

**Cushing Memorial Library, Texas A&M University**, College Station, TX

**Lloyd Library and Museum**, Cincinnati, OH

2020 - 2021

New England Chapter - Guild of Book Workers 40th Anniversary Exhibition

*Stuart Williams: His World and His Art* on exhibit

**40th Anniversary Exhibition**, online

**University of Southern Maine**, Portland, ME

**Boston Athenæum**, Boston, MA

**Dartmouth College - Baker-Berry Library**, Hanover, NH

- 2020  
American Academy of Bookbinding: Open-Set 2020  
*Happy Abstract* on exhibit  
**Grolier Club**, New York, NY
- 2019 - 2021  
Drop Dead Gorgeous: Fine Bindings of *La Prose du Transsibérien*  
*Re-creation*  
**San Francisco Center for the Book**, San Francisco, CA  
**UCLA Special Collections - Young Research Library**,  
Los Angeles, CA  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA  
**Minnesota Center for the Book**, Minneapolis, MN  
**Maggs Bros. Ltd. Rare Books and Manuscripts**, London,  
England
- 2019  
Student & Alumni Show  
*Roadkills* and *Suspended Whispers* on exhibit  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA
- 2019  
Bound Together: Bookbinding by the NBSS Community  
*Roadkills* and *Suspended Whispers* on exhibit  
- awarded Honorable Mention for *Roadkills*  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA
- 2018  
ARA-Canada Exhibition: *Chemins de Traverse*  
**Bibliothèque Monique-Corrivea**, Quebec, Canada
- 2018  
Student & Alumni Show  
*2001: A Space Odyssey* and *The Island* on exhibit  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA
- 2018  
Feed Sack Quilts  
*Feed Sacks* on exhibit  
**Iowa Quilt Museum**, Winterset, IA
- 2017  
International Competition 2017  
*Invisible Cities* on exhibit  
**Society of Bookbinders, Keele University**, Keele, England
- Feed Sacks* on exhibit  
**Feed Sacks Binding Project**, online
- 2017  
Stichting Handboekbinden International Miniature Bookbinding  
Competition  
*The Island* on exhibit  
**Meermann Museum**, The Hague, Netherlands

- 2017  
Student & Alumni Show  
*Rookwood* and *Invisible Cities* on exhibit  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA
- 2015 - 2017  
Guild of Book Workers Traveling Exhibition: Vessel  
*Dune* on exhibit  
**Loganberry Books**, Cleveland, OH  
**California State Polytechnic University, Kellogg Gallery**,  
Pomona, CA  
**Rochester Institute of Technology, Cary Graphic Arts  
Collection**, Rochester, NY  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA
- 2015  
International Competition 2015  
*The Nightingale and the Rose* on exhibit  
**Society of Bookbinders, Keele University**, Keele, England
- 2015  
Student & Alumni Show  
*Goose Eggs* and *The Nightingale and the Rose* on exhibit  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA
- 2014  
Celebrating 20 Years  
*Delta of Venus* on exhibit  
**Book Arts Web: Bind-O-Rama**, online
- 2014  
Student & Alumni Show  
*Field Book of Western Wild Flowers* on exhibit  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA
- 2013  
Student & Alumni Show  
*Fantastic Mr. Fox* and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* on exhibit  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA
- 2012 - 2014  
Guild of Book Workers Traveling Exhibition: Horizon  
*Flatland: A Romance of Many Dimensions* on exhibit  
**Loyola University, Visual Arts Gallery**, New Orleans, LA  
**University of Denver, Penrose Library**, Denver, CO  
**Chicago Public Library**, Chicago, IL  
**Utah Museum of Fine Arts**, Salt Lake City, UT  
**University of Kentucky, The Great Hall at the Margaret  
I. King Special Collections Library**, Lexington, KY
- 2012  
*Fantasy & Nonsense* on exhibit  
**University of Utah, J. Willard Marriott Library**, Salt Lake  
City, UT

2012

Student & Alumni Show  
*The Songlines* and *Little Birds* on exhibit  
**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA

2011 - 2012

One Book, Many Interpretations: Second Edition  
*The Crucible* on exhibit  
- awarded Best Book for *The Crucible*  
**Chicago Public Library**, Chicago, IL

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

2021

**The Guild of Book Workers Standards of Excellence Seminar**, Online  
"What to Expect When You're Exhibiting"

### **Baxter Society**

Virtual Talk: Common Thread - 10 Years of Embroidered Bindings

### **Boston Athenaeum**

Virtual Talk: Meet the Makers with Erin Fletcher, Nancy Leavitt and Julie Stackpole

2020

**North Bennet Street School**, Boston, MA  
Virtual Maker Talk: Crafting a Design Binding - *La Prose*

### **Cut the Craft Podcast**

Interview by Amy Umbel and Brien Beidler

2018

**Texas A&M University**, College Station, TX  
Lecture: Taking the Plunge into Edition Binding - *Colour*

2015

**The Guild of Book Workers Standards of Excellence Seminar**, Cleveland OH  
Moderated two panel discussions on the topic of "Future of Bookbinding Education" and "Running a Bindery Business"

2013

### **Bookbinding Now Podcast**

Interviewed by host Susan Mills

2012

**College Art Association Conference**, New York, NY  
"Towards a New Apprenticeship Model" panel discussion hosted by The Center for Craft, Creativity & Design

## PUBLICATIONS

2017

**Guild of Book Workers Newsletter**, Number 228  
article titled "Exquisite Corpse - A New England Chapter Collaborative Project"

2014

**The New Bookbinder**, Volume 34  
book review on *The Thread That Binds* by Pamela Train Leutz

2013

**Meister der Einbandkunst Newsletter**  
article titled "Online Workshops: Thoughts From Both Sides of the Webcam" coauthored with Benjamin Elbel

**Guild of Book Workers Newsletter**, Number 208  
article titled "Online Workshops: Thoughts From Both Sides of the Webcam" coauthored with Benjamin Elbel

2012 - present

**Flash of the Hand Blog**  
Creator, Writer & Editor  
- bimonthly interviews with bookbinders and book artists  
- bookbinding tutorials  
- in-depth and behind-the-scenes articles on my bookbinding work and processes  
- features guest writers on the topic of conservation

## PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

**ARA-Canada**  
member since 2014

**College Book Arts Association**  
member from 2016 - 2019

**Designer Bookbinders**  
member since 2014

**Guild of Book Workers**  
member since 2011

**Surface Design Association**  
member since 2020