Our featured guest for Octavofest 2017 is renowned book artist Emily Martin, who will make a variety of presentations on several topics, including her recently completed Pantone Postcard Project. Martin earned a MFA degree in painting from the University of Iowa, having previously earned a BFA and MA in drawing and painting, respectively. She started Naughty Dog Press in 1996 to produce her own limited editions of primarily sculptural and movable artist’s books. Martin will participate in Octavofest events from Oct. 25-28, and her books will be on exhibit at the Shaker Heights Public Library throughout October.

Local book and paper artist members of Art Books Cleveland will be exhibiting new work at several venues around town, including Notre Dame College (Oct. 5-27), the Morgan Conservatory (Oct. 13 - mid-Nov.), and the lobby of the Galleries at CSU (mid-Sept. - mid-Oct.).

Glenda Thornton, Director of the CSU Michael Schwartz Library, will present “Books That Move: 700 Years of Innovation and Artistry.” An exhibit of her collection of movable books will be on display in the Library in October. Other speakers tentatively include Mazza Museum Director, Ben Sapp, who will discuss the museum’s collection of international artwork and children’s literature. Keith Allen, designer, illustrator and paper engineer from Cleveland with more than ten years professional experience in product design at American Greetings, will highlight his craftsmanship and entrepreneurial skills with the publication of his most recent pop-up book, “What a Mess: A Pop-up Misadventure Book.”

Other events planned by Octavofest sponsors including libraries, independent bookstores, and school districts will include origami and calligraphy workshops, artist demonstrations, panel discussions, and more! Check the schedule at Octavofest.org often for events throughout Northeast Ohio in locations from Oberlin to Akron.

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