The Guild of Book Workers is mounting a traveling exhibition with the theme Vessel. The show will open in May 2015, and travel to a mix of book arts centers, fine art museums and public and private libraries before closing in 2017.

The Vessel exhibition catalog will be produced in full color, with photographs and complete descriptions of each work as well as biographies of the binders/artists. Introductory material will include jurors’ statements and remarks by the Guild President and Exhibitions Chair.

The catalog will be designed by Julie Leonard, designer of the beautiful and sold out Guild of Book Workers 100th Anniversary Exhibition, Marking Time, and Horizon Exhibition catalogs. The Vessel exhibition will showcase the current work of the members of the Guild of Book Workers. The book as vessel inspires beautiful metaphor - a craft for traveling, a container, a holder, a receiver, a transporter. Across time and culture, the vessel is at the center of many ceremonies and rites of passage. Native American cultures regarded the vessel as a portal to a sacred realm. The book as craft is our vessel to sail the high seas, to hold our dearest memories, and to indicate the pulse of life. This catalog will document the richness and quality of our work. This will be a “must have” catalog in all of our bookbinding libraries!

Why are members being solicited for a donation? Quite simply, it is very expensive to produce a high-quality catalog with the kind of photography, typographic design, color printing, and binding that will showcase our members’ creative work to its best advantage.

Gifts of any amount will be graciously accepted and will be acknowledged in the catalog and in the signage posted at each exhibition venue. Donors of $250 and above will receive a complimentary catalog. All gifts are tax deductible, and a receipt will be provided.

Thank you for your support,
Amy C. LeePard, GBW Exhibitions Chair

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