

## T H E S U Q

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**Christine DerDerian****The Suq**

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The Suq continues to undergo change while its premise as a museum shop remains constant. It functions as an aid to the museum in the dissemination of knowledge, allowing visitors to take home with them merchandise relating to the Oriental Institute's collection. The search continues for unique crafts from the Near East, informative texts, and appropriate reproductions of ancient artifacts. The development of merchandise exclusive to the Oriental Institute is an ongoing process, with Christmas cards and address books forthcoming. The profits resulting from the Suq's educational function continue to support the Institute's Research Archives.

As the functions of the Suq remain constant, the beginnings of physical changes have occurred. With the proposed Suq renovation by Skidmore, Owings and Merrill in the foreground, immediate measures have taken place to increase the attractiveness of the Suq while easing display and storage problems. The area has been repainted, and Mr. Carswell has designed and Mr. Tindel and Mr. Torres have built a successful new sales desk and oak shelving for the display of books. Further plans include additional shelving, card racks, and a new floor display unit. Along with improvements in physical layout, the Suq has acquired a cash register, which has proved a great aid in the transaction of sales.

A very solid constant in the Suq is found in its vital volunteer force. They remain a dedicated, knowledgeable group upon whose efforts the Suq's success depends. A vote of appreciation goes to all the Suq volunteers, and their coordinator Peggy Grant.

P E O P L E

*Regularly Scheduled Suq Docents*

Muriel Brauer  
Leonard Byman  
Evelyn Dyba  
Carol Green  
Diane Grodzins  
Mary Lions

Peggy Kovacs  
Rochelle Rossin  
Mary Schulman  
Suchi Sucharetza  
Eleanor Swift

Florence Teegarden  
Elizabeth Tileston  
Mardi Trosman  
Norma van der Meulen  
Barbara Watson

*Suq Docents Part-time*

Peggy Carswell  
Stacey Greenberger

Mary Schloerb

Jack Schwartz

*Suq Volunteers in Office and Stockroom*

Kay Ginther

Eleanor Swift



*The Suq's new sales desk*