**The Original Articles of Incorporation**

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(State Seal)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

*To all whom these presents shall come*, Greetings:

*I, FRANK M. JORDAN, Secretary of State of the State of California, hereby certify:*

That the annexed transcript has been compared with the RECORD on file in my office, of which it purports to be a copy, and that the same is full, true and correct.

(Great Seal of the State of California) In testimony whereof, *I*, FRANK M. JORDAN, *Secretary of State, have hereunto caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed and my name subscribed, at the City of Sacramento, in the State of California, this JUN 18 1969*

Frank M. Jordan  
*Secretary of State*

By H.P. Sullivan(?)  
*Assistant Secretary of State*

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INCORPORATED

I

The name of this corporation shall be SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INCORPORATED.

II

The purposes for which this corporation is formed are:  
     a) Specifically and primarily, research, education and advancement in the field of pre-17th Century Western Culture.  
     b) Generally, to engage in research; publish material of relevance and interest to the field of pre-17th Century Western Culture; to present activities and events which re-create the environment of said era, such as, but not limited to, tournaments, jousts, fairs, parties, dances, classes, and et cetera; to acquire authentic or reproduced replicas of chattels representative of said era; to collect a library; and to engage in fund raising activities.  
     c) This corporation shall have and exercise all rights and powers conferred upon corporations under the laws of the State of California, provided that all activities shall be incidental to and in the furtherance of the purposes set forth in II.a) and b) above.

III

This corporation is organized pursuant to the General Nonprofit Corporation Law of the State of California.

IV

The County in this State where the principal office for the transaction of business of this corporation is located is Alameda County.

V

The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of Directors until the selection of their successors are:

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| 1) JON DE CLES | 1585 Arch St., Berkeley, Cal. |
| 2) DIANA PAXSON STUDEBAKER | “ ” “ ” “ ” |
| 3) CLINT BIGGLESTONE, III | 780 Clayton St., San Francisco, Cal. |

VI

The qualifications of members of this corporation, the different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of each class of members, and their liabilities to dues and assessments, and the method of collection thereof shall be set forth in the by-laws of this corporation.

VII

This corporation is one which does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof and it is organized solely for non-profit purposes. Upon the winding up and dissolution of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, educational or public- service purposes, and which has established its tax-exempt status under Section 501 ( c ) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. If this corporation holds any assets on trust, such assets shall be disposed of in such a manner as may be directed by decree of the superior court of the county in which this corporation’s principal office is located, upon petition therefore by the Attorney General or by any person concerned in the liquidation.

VIII

The name of the unincorporated association which is being incorporated is SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, bing the STEWARD (which is equivalent to President) and MISTRESS OF ARTS (which is equivalent to Secretary) respectively, of SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, the unincorporated association which is being incorporated hereby, have duly executed those Articles of Incorporation this 4th day of October 1968.

JON DE CLES,  
     STEWARD (PRESIDENT)

DIANA PAXSON STUDEBAKER  
     MISTRESS OF ARTS (SECRETARY)