

Oral History Committee report  
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- So far we have completed five interviews. They're all of professional quality, and those who have seen them have been pleased:

- Bill Ashby, interviewed by Cynthia Brown
- Porter Abbott, interviewed by Michael O'Connell
- Alice Aldredge, interviewed by Scott Cooper
- Duncan Mellichamp, interviewed by Eric Sonquist
- Maria Herrera-Sobek, interviewed by Mario Garcia

with editing still to be completed for Porter's and Maria's

- We have discussed our criteria for choosing future interview candidates, and are planning on one more interview this quarter. We're working to determine how to successfully contact our top candidates, who are not returning our emails. After this interview, we'll meet once more this quarter to discuss our options for future financial support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandy Thompson, Committee Chair