

Dear Presidents and National Coordinators,

INVITATION TO
PARTICIPATE IN MWIA CENTENNIAL FABRIC COLLAGE

The MWIA centennial celebration will take place July 25-28, 2019, in New York City, USA.

It promises to be an exciting time for MWIA members to commemorate this landmark occasion of one hundred years of our existence.

As part of the preparations towards the centennial, we are inviting National Associations and individual members where there is no national association to contribute to the MWIA centennial fabric collage. The fabric collage will be a symbol of our unity, sisterhood and diversity.



Each National Association is invited to submit a piece of fabric which will be 14 inches wide and 14 inches long in size. This is approximately the size of a regular handkerchief. The small square fabric may be cut out from a larger piece of fabric, hand woven or crocheted, patterned or beaded but should be indigenous or peculiar to a country. A National Association may decide to use a pattern indicating its national emblem. For example, Canada may decide to present a fabric with the maple leaf pattern which is cut out from a larger fabric or painted onto a handkerchief.

A ribbon needs to be attached to each of the edges of the handkerchief sized fabric, and these will be used to tie it to a similar sized square from another country. The name of the contributing country needs to be on the back, with a short description or history of the fabric. (Please see a sample in the picture above)

The fabric collage will be displayed at the venue of the Congress for participants and guests to view the front, and walk to the back, to view which country each of the small squares originated from. A poster version will also be produced as a keepsake for participants. The fabric collage will be displayed at The Legacy Center: Archives & Special Collections Drexel University College of Medicine in Philadelphia after the congress.

Submissions are to be made by National Coordinators onsite, at the Conference venue registration desk. Members of the Public Relations subcommittee will be available to receive your entries. For planning purposes, could you please let me know by January 25, 2019 that you will be bringing a fabric collage to the congress.

For further enquiries please contact the Chair of the PR Subcommittee at elenwad@yahoo.co.uk

We look forward very much to receiving your contributions to the centennial collage.

With very warm regards,

Handwritten signature of Dr. Eleanor Nwadinobi

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