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In the Library Galleries

On exhibit now in the Library Gallery: Creativity Unconfined: Life in a WWII Japanese American Internment Camp runs from August 23 – December 23, 2016. This exhibit highlights artifacts created by the internees of the Amache Internment Camp in Colorado. Says curator Dana Shew, “Despite an unjust situation and harsh, unforgiving landscapes, internees prevailed, revealing an unbreakable spirit. Through items made by internees we get a glimpse into life at Colorado’s camp, Amache, and expose the surprising beauty and creativity that persisted and even blossomed from behind barbed wire.” Join us for the exhibit reception, Tuesday September 13, 2016, 4-6pm.

In the 2North Gallery our wonderful photography exhibit, John LeBaron: A Lifetime of Photography, has been extended through December. If you have not yet had a chance to view this collection, please stop by during the fall.

Instruction Request Form

The Instruction Program has a new Instruction Request Form on the Library’s website, designed to simplify your requests for library instruction workshops. This form will give you more detailed information about the various types of workshops librarians provide and ensures that librarians have all the information we need to teach an effective and meaningful class for your students. You can find the form at: library.sonoma.edu/services/faculty/instruction-request-form.

New Librarians: Rita Premo & Marjorie Lear

We are happy to announce that Rita Premo is joining the library as Scholarly Communication and Science Librarian. Rita comes to SSU from the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in New Orleans where she was a reference librarian and liaison to the Schools of Allied Health Professions and Graduate Studies. Rita has experience as an editor as well as a librarian. She earned her master's degree in information science from the University of Tennessee and her bachelor's degree in journalism from West Virginia University. Welcome Rita!

Librarian Marjorie Lear assumes a new role as the first-ever Schulz Diversity Fellow. In addition to her instruction and reference responsibilities, Marjorie will be leading a number of outreach initiatives at the library in collaboration with multi-cultural student and faculty groups. Stay tuned for related events, displays and opportunities to participate. To learn more, contact Marjorie at: marjorie.lear@sonoma.edu.
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New in Special Collections: Student Newspapers

The Student Newspaper Digital Collection provides access to digitized student newspapers from Sonoma State University’s history, dating back to 1961. This collection provides insight into SSU events, issues and life throughout history as well as student viewpoints regarding campus, local, national, and global news. Included in this collection are The Sonoma State Star and its predecessors, The Sonoman, Cossack Steppes, Outlaw Steppes, Sonoma State Steppes, Voice of the Redwoods, Patchwork, Cotati Call, Sonoma State Morning Glory and Sonoma State Carousel.


New Computers

The University Library in partnership with Campus IT and Academic Affairs has purchased over 100 new computers. Our new technology includes both Mac and Windows platforms and replaces machines that were between seven and nine years old. You can find these new (and faster) desktop computers on the first and second floors of the library.

Sonoma County Reads @SSU

In Fall 2016, the Sonoma State University Library joins with Santa Rosa Junior College, Sonoma County Public Library, Sonoma County Office of Education and Creative Sonoma to host a county wide community reads program. This year’s selection is Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates. Watch for events, lectures and more at the SSU Library and county wide. For more information contact Hilary Smith at: hilary.smith@sonoma.edu or Laura Krier at: laura.krier@sonoma.edu.

Westlaw Database

New for fall semester, the library now offers the Westlaw database. Westlaw provides access to legal research including case law, state and federal statutes, law journals, law reviews, treatises, and administrative codes. In addition to legal resources, Westlaw also contains newspapers, magazines, journals, newsletters, government press releases, transcripts of television and radio shows and congressional testimony. Look for it on our website.