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Murray Library October 2021 Newsletter

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Messiah University is a Christian university of the liberal and applied arts and sciences. Our mission is to educate men and women toward maturity of intellect, character and Christian faith in preparation for lives of service, leadership and reconciliation in church and society.

October 2021

Regular Hours:
Mon.-Thurs., 8:00am-11:00pm
Fri., 8:00am-5:00pm
Sat., 10:00am-6:00pm
Sun., 2:00pm-11:00pm



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What's New at the Library?

Murray Library



Director's Corner



Did You Know?

Murray Library has four unique collections that were developed over the years through support of *Friends of Murray Library*.

Artists' Books: This collection is a hybrid art form in which books and art intersect to create visually appealing and intellectually stimulating works. These books showcase creativity by well-known book artists, Messiah University art faculty, and Messiah students.

Ruth E. Engle Memorial Collection of Children's Book Illustration - Dedicated in April 2004, this collection of original picture-book art by award-winning illustrators was established with gifts given to *Friends of Murray Library* in memory of Ruth Engle, a charter member who also served on its board. Stop by the library to see many of these works displayed on both levels of the library.

Canadian Literature – This collection consists of over 800 titles by such influential Canadian authors such as Margaret Atwood, Rudy Wiebe, Robertson Davies, Leonard Cohen and Alice Munro, and also includes poetry, plays, critical, and other non-fiction works.

W. Jim Neidhardt Collection on Religion and Science - Dr. W. Jim Neidhardt's interest in the relationship between modern science and the Christian faith, led him to give his extensive personal library to Murray Library. Subject areas in the collection are very diverse, ranging from physics, engineering and theology to cybernetics, chaos theory and aesthetics.

Trivia Night

Put your knowledge to the test Friday, October 8 at **Trivia Night** starting at 7 p.m. at Murray Library! We'll have four rounds of trivia to test your knowledge in a variety of categories. Gather classmates or colleagues to form a team or join up with friendly folks when you arrive. Teams can include up to six players. There will be some special trivia questions on Messiah University to celebrate Homecoming Weekend. Awesome prizes await the top three teams!



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[*In The Heights*](#)

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October Exhibits

Trophy Case display – October 1, 2021 marks Walt Disney World's 50th Anniversary. Stop by and enjoy our collection of Disney related books, DVDs and Scores.

Foyer Display – Come visit our display highlighting ADHD Awareness Month.

Vitrines/Document Cases – Four of Murray's collections are showcased in these display areas: Artists' Books, Engle Collection, Neidhardt Collection, and Canadian Literature.

Great Reads - We are celebrating this year's theme of Reconciliation. Come browse books that focus on forgiveness and reconciliation of our neighbors near and far, as well as God's creation.

New at Murray Library

Thanks to a SGA Capital Purchase, Murray Library now has a book scanner that supports the Office of Academic Accessibility and library patrons. The scanner is a high-speed, face-up book capture system that scans nearly 20 book pages per minute for instant access as a PDF, JPEG, or readable PDF. In color or grayscale, capture multiple pages and quickly export them to a device of your choice. SGA also provided the funds for 6 rollable whiteboards. For individual or small group use, these rollable, lightweight boards easily move to provide flexibility for use throughout the building. Markers and erasers provided!



Guest Speaker:

Devin Manzullo-Thomas

Students: \$10
Friends Members: \$20
Non-members: \$25

Life is hard. Balancing classes, sports teams, friends, difficult home situations, your faith... sometimes you can't do it and you feel like a failure.

But sometimes, failure can bring you to a new place. Join the Office of Student Success as they partner with Murray Library to present a panel event entitled **"Fueled by Failure: Unlikely Paths to Success"** on Wednesday, October 27th from 7:00-8:00pm in the Café Diem area of the Murray Library. Four panelists will share their stories of failure and how they took what they learned to create something even better.

Chat with a librarian 

Chat with a librarian! Murray Library offers an instant message, chat tool located on our library webpages to help you get the answers you're seeking. Click the green button in the bottom, right corner to get started. Receive fast, friendly and helpful librarian assistance in about a minute. For all other times, leave a librarian a message. Librarians will respond as soon as they can. There are no silly questions, so ask away!

Live chat hours during Fall 2021:

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM-5 PM & 7-9 PM

"The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library." -Albert Einstein

You're Invited!

Friends of Murray Library Annual Meeting & Dinner

Join us Monday November 1st at 6pm for the *Friends of Murray Library* Annual Dinner & Meeting. Devin Manzullo-Thomas will be the evening's keynote speaker. In his presentation, "Evangelical Museums in America: Where They Come From and Why They Matter," Devin will discuss that in the United States, museums are respected cultural institutions and are viewed as places for education, tourism, or the cultivation of civic virtue – supposedly secular purposes. But many museums challenge this simple characterization, including museums owned and operated by evangelical Christians. In this talk, he will share findings from his forthcoming book, *Exhibiting Evangelicalism: Commemoration and Religion's Purpose of the Past*, about the history of evangelical museums in America. Devin will describe how these sites came to exist, the narratives they promote, and how they impact public culture in the United States today.

The event will be held in Howe Atrium/Parmer Cinema (Boyer Hall), with a meal served by Messiah's Two Bridges Catering. Reservation deadline is October 15, 2021. If interested, please contact Tracy Sheaffer, Library Administrative Assistant, at tsheaffer@messiah.edu or ext. 7181.