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What's New at Murray Library?



Regular Hours:

Mon.-Thurs., 8AM-11PM Sat., 10AM-6PM
Fri., 8AM-5PM Sun., 2PM-11PM

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Meet Murray's Access Services Specialist



Murray Library is delighted to announce the promotion of Rachael Jasitt to the position of Access Services Specialist. A 2019 graduate of Messiah College, Rachael holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in History, along with minors in Education and TESOL. She further pursued her passions by earning a Master's degree in Cultural Heritage Management from Johns Hopkins University. She continues her studies in Library Science through PennWest – Clarion.

Serving as the library's Circulation Supervisor since 2020, Rachael's new role will encompass a broader range of responsibilities maintaining the library's digital resources and services. As Access Services Specialist, Rachael will be responsible for coordinating and sustaining access to all digital library resources. Additionally, she will take on the role of webmaster for the library webpage and oversee periodicals.

In addition to her new responsibilities, Rachael will continue to supervise work-study students and nurture their development within the library environment as the library's evening circulation supervisor. She also continues her role of managing the Seed Library. Murray Library is excited that Rachael's dedication and expertise will greatly contribute to enhancing the overall library experience for its users.

Library of Things

Available to check out are items from our "Library of Things" collection located in the locked bookcases down the hallway from the Circulation Desk. We have a variety of items that can be checked out for one week at a time including a hammock, LED ring light, sewing kit, tool kit, CD/DVD drives, and more! Feel free to browse the collection. If you see something you would like to check out, let someone at the

Circulation Desk know so we can get the item for you. Don't see an item that you think would be useful/fun for students to check out? Let us know by sending an email to circulationdesk@messiah.edu.

We would love to hear your recommendations!



Research Help... Librarians are available Monday-Friday through the Leave a Librarian a Message widget, one-on-one consultations, phone, and by email. Visit our [Ask a Librarian](#) page for more information.

You're Invited!



It's been 30 years since Friends of Murray Library was established at Messiah! Join us Friday October 27th at 6pm for our **30th Anniversary** annual dinner and public lecture. Dinner will be held in Hostetter Chapel from 6PM-7:30PM, with a meal catered by Messiah's Two Bridges Catering. Following dinner, we will hold a public lecture at the Calvin and Janet High Center for Worship and Performing Arts from 8PM-9PM. You won't want to miss our special guests & the opportunities to reflect on the past 3 decades of Friends! Additionally, we will be joined by nationally recognized special guest and keynote speaker Chad Dion Lassiter. Lassiter is an expert in the field of American Race Relations. He also has international experience working on race, peace, and poverty-related issues in Africa, Canada, Haiti, Israel, and Norway, and is called upon frequently by media outlets to provide commentary on race relations and potential solutions. Lassiter is a member of the US Presidential Advisory Commission on Advancing Educational Equity, Excellence, and Economic Opportunity for Black Americans and currently serves as the Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission.

To register, please visit the Friends of Murray Library [webpage](#). Reservation deadline is October 6, 2023.

Join Us for a November Bus Trip!

You are invited to accompany the Friends of Murray Library on a charter bus day trip to the National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington DC on November 4, 2023. An agenda will be sent to you once you have registered that includes morning departure times to Washington DC from Messiah University as well as anticipated evening arrival times back to campus on November 4, 2023.

Registration is available on the Friends [webpage](#).

Note: Registration includes transportation and museum tickets but does not include meals.

Are you in need of a study space for a small group?

Murray is taking reservations for our group study rooms, 116, 118 and 119. You can make a reservation ahead of time by contacting the circulation desk in-person or by phone (717.691.6006) or in-person the day of by using the sign-up sheets located at the rooms.

Check out our new bookshelf housing the New Books & Recreational Reading Collection!

New books are added to the shelf weekly and the recreational reading collection is added to regularly.

We welcome your suggestions for additions to the collection!



*Thank you to *Friends of Murray Library* for being a part of purchasing this new piece!



Put your knowledge to the test Friday, September 22 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. All in the Messiah community are welcome. Teams can include up to six players. Cool prizes await the top three teams!