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# WYNDHAM ROBERTSON LIBRARY NEWS

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## AN EVENTFUL MONTH!

Our February lineup features literature, poetry and film - we hope you can join us! All programs are free to the public, with a reception afterward:

**Carrie Brown Reading**  
Friday, Feb. 6 at 8:00 p.m.

Carrie Brown is the author of five novels -- most recently *The Rope Walk* -- and a collection of short stories. She has won the Library of Virginia Book Award, a National Endowment for the Arts fellowship, the Barnes and Noble Discover Award, and the Janet Heidinger Kafka Prize. She is Associate Professor of English and Writer-in-Residence at Sweet Briar College.

**Ethnic Notions**, a film by Marlon Riggs  
Sunday, Feb. 22, 2:30 p.m.

Introduced by Prof. Amy Gerber-Stroh, *Ethnic Notions* is an Emmy-award-winning documentary about the images that fuel anti-black prejudice. Tracing the evolution of racist caricatures through 150 years of

American popular culture, Riggs shows how these dehumanizing stereotypes were regulars in cartoons, songs, literature, film and on the stage (56 min.)



**Jane Gentry Reading**  
Thursday, Feb. 26 at 8:00 p.m.

Jane Gentry ('63) has published three collections of poetry, most recently *Portrait of the Artist as a White Pig*. More than 100 poems have appeared in journals and anthologies such as the *Sewanee Review*, *Harvard Magazine*, and *Southern Poetry Review*. Ms. Gentry was named Kentucky's Poet Laureate for 2007-2008.

Readings are sponsored by the Beanstalk Fund, a joint venture of the Creative Writing Program and the Library to bring writers and readers together at Hollins; Carrie Brown also sponsored by the Benedict Fiction Writers Series.

## COMING SOON: FLEX PICKS UP

Starting this Spring, the Faculty Library Express delivery service will also pick up library materials from your campus office. Use our quick and handy order form, located on the home page of the library: [www.hollins.edu/library](http://www.hollins.edu/library).

For more information, contact Katy Baum at 362-6239 or [kbaum@hollins.edu](mailto:kbaum@hollins.edu)

### **Darfur: While the World Watched**

A library exhibit designed by Jessie Cohen ('11) traces the Darfur conflict, from its root causes to current efforts to end the conflict. (until March)

## MEET THE NEW LIBRARIAN

AKA the old communications coordinator: **Maryke Barber** is the new Outreach and Arts liaison librarian, responsible for all student and faculty library needs for art, dance, film, photography, music, theatre. If I can be of assistance, let me know! You can reach me at 362-6328 or [mbarber@hollins.edu](mailto:mbarber@hollins.edu).



A little bit about my background: I received my MS degree in Information Science from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville; an MFA degree in Theatre from Virginia Commonwealth University and a BFA in Music Theatre from Shenandoah Conservatory. When I am not at Hollins you may find me at the (movie) theatre, the coffee shop, cooking, or reading somewhere, or getting in shape by playing marbles with our cat. Many thanks are due to Joan Ruelle and all of my colleagues at the library for years of mentorship, and for welcoming me in this new role: I am very glad to be here!