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FILMS AT THE LIBRARY

Down in the Old Belt: Voices from the Tobacco South, a documentary film by Jim Crawford, will be shown in the Hollins Room Thursday, October 16, 7:00 pm. The film is based on oral history interviews with 26 Old Belt Tobacco farming families and chronicles tobacco's historic decline. The showing will be followed by Q&A with the filmmaker, and a reception. Call 853-5868 for more information.

Capitol Crimes, a documentary film by Bill Moyers, will be shown in the Jackson Screening Room Sunday, October 26, 7:30 pm. "Capitol Crimes" reveals one of the biggest and most fascinating scandals in American political history, asking some hard questions along the way about the relationships between politicians and lobbyists. The film will be introduced by Dr. Vladimir Bratic and will be followed by a reception.

This latest showing in our “Now at the Library” series is sponsored by the Library, the Office of Student Activities and the Film Department. Call 362-6328 for more information.

These showings are free and open to the public.

NEW TITLES, NOW EASIER!

Browse four new titles lists for humanities, social sciences, sciences/mathematics and arts by clicking on “new books and films” at www.hollins.edu/library

Or come to the library and peruse the recently expanded new books area, across from the first floor reference desk. Enjoy!

NEW DATABASES

This month we feature yet another group of new databases for your research needs. Take a look on pg. 2 of this newsletter for descriptions of:

- Business Source Complete
- Education Research Complete
- Environment Complete

MYSPACE, FACEBOOK, ?

Want to know more about the social networking phenomenon? Students, are you tired of explaining to your parents why not everything on MySpace and Facebook is bad for you? Come to our Family Weekend workshop What is Social Networking? MySpace, Facebook and other sites and learn more about what they are and what they can be used for. Questions are welcome! The workshop is on Saturday, November 1, 1:00 pm in the Jackson Screening Room.

LEADERS: LIBRARY S.P.C.

Congratulations to our new Peer Coordinators: Amy Dyess, Niki Gilmore, Kat Milyko and Tiffany Sandberg. They will serve as mentors and trainers for new student employees; they will also be responsible for weekend supervision of the library. This job calls for good communication, organization and problem-solving skills: we’re in good hands with our SPC’s!

The Student Peer Coordinator Development Series is a collaborative initiative between the Library, the Batten Leadership Institute and the Career Development Center.

Ask us how the library saves energy! Every night, 40 public computers are turned off. In addition, we make every effort to recycle materials withdrawn from the collection. You can help: recycling bins are available near all printers and vending machines.

THERE’S MORE ON THE BACK! SEE PG. 2
Business Source Complete is the leading database of business journals including management, marketing, economics and finance information, and containing such full-text titles as Harvard Business Review. In addition to nuanced searching capabilities, this database also offers searchable citations for more than 1,200 of its journals.

Alongside the journals, BSC contains company information, market research, case studies, SWOT analyses, investment research reports and more. Author profiles are also provided for the 20,000 most-cited authors. The indexing and abstracts in BSC go back as far as 1886!

Find it: on the e-Resources page for Division 2

Would you like to know more about a database? Our reference librarians will be glad to discuss your research needs:
- Visit us on the library’s first floor
- Call 362-7465
- Email askref@hollins.edu
- IM: askwyndham in AIM, GTalk, MSN & Yahoo.

Education Research Complete provides journals and conference papers on all scholarly and research topics in education, whether you are interested in early childhood development or higher education, testing or education policy.

Of the more than 1,870 journals included in this database, more than 1,100 are available full-text. Use the Education Thesaurus to find your subject terms, limit to publication type, document type and other specifications in advanced search.

This database is a great complement to ERIC, with broader coverage of more journal titles, especially current journals. It also has more full-text. By contrast, ERIC coverage tends to extend back further than Education Research Complete, and offer more non-journal sources such as research papers and government documents.

Together, ERC and ERIC offer education researchers a great range of options. You can even search them simultaneously: just sign in to one database, and add the other by clicking on the "Choose databases" link directly above the search box.

Find it: on the e-Resources page for Division 2

This database offers tens of thousands of classical recordings from Medieval to contemporary, from choral works to symphonies, operas, and the avant-garde. It also includes information about the music from a library of standard music reference works.

Search Classical Music Online by artist, composer, instrument, genre and sub-genre, and period; browse for inspiration, or try one of the themed playlists. Themes include music to write by, women composers, and more!

You can compare versions of musical pieces, create and share playlists with your class; you can also create "static" URLs, links that will take you straight to a track in the database from an email, a webpage, or a page in Blackboard.