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Welcome to the library (and to some of you, welcome back!) It’s been a busy year: not only did the library celebrate a tenth birthday this year, but we also received an Excellence in Academic Libraries Award from the Association of Colleges and Research Libraries! Fresh from this excitement, we are ready for another fabulous grad session.

You will find the librarians at the reference desk 10-6 Monday - Thursday, 10-4 on Fridays; or contact us for a free personal research consultation: for children’s literature, contact Joan Ruelle, 362-6232 or jruelle@hollins.edu; for film/theatre/dance, see Maryke Barber, 362-6328, mbarber@hollins.edu.

Some useful tips for getting the most out of library services:

www.hollins.edu/library: find books and films in our online catalog, check opening hours, access databases, and more!

e-ESOURCES: over 100 databases give you access to journal articles, newspapers, film scripts, online encyclopedias and much, much more. To find out which databases are most useful for your research, just ask a librarian.

Requesting from other libraries: our shared online catalog gives you additional access to the books and films at Roanoke College. Click on “request this item” and , and your materials will be delivered the next weekday. Still can’t find it? Use our Inter-Library Loan service to request from another library. The ILL request form is available on our home page.

Reserve materials are available at the front desk. Reserve films must be watched in the downstairs viewing rooms; ask at the front desk for a key. Note the rules for all reserves: the borrowing limit is two hours, with fines of 50 cents per hour.

ZOTERO: free lunchtime workshop
Wednesday, June 24
12:30 - 1:15 p.m., in the library.
Bring your lunch: dessert’s on us!

Zotero is free software, created especially for students and scholars. Its designers describe it as a “personal research assistant - inside your browser.” What does that mean? No more losing track of your research sources, and no more spending hours formatting the bibliographies for papers and articles: this free software is a great time saver. And it’s easy to use! Come find out how.

MEET THE LIBRARIAN

Maryke Barber is the new Arts Liaison and Outreach Librarian: for research questions about theatre, film, dance, music, just ask Maryke! Contact: 362-6328 or mbarber@hollins.edu

She may be new in this job but Maryke is no stranger to Hollins, having worked in the library since 2002. She received her MS in Information Science from the University of Tennessee in 2008, and also has an MFA in Theatre from Virginia Commonwealth University and a BFA in Music Theatre from Shenandoah Conservatory. Her professional acting and dramaturgy credits include work for theatres in Virginia and Chicago including Mill Mountain Theatre, Next Theatre, Organic Touchstone Theatre, and internship work at the Goodman Theatre. When not working, you may find Maryke playing the jembe, or playing marbles with the cat.
ARCHIVES: THE BARBARA LUCAS COLLECTION

Barbara Lucas, retired children’s book editor, has donated over 700 children’s books to the Hollins archives, as well as journals, audiovisual, and graphic materials. She worked as a children’s book editor during the 1960s and 1970s for companies such as Harper, Putnam, and Harcourt. In 1982, she started Lucas-Evans Books, a book packaging company.

The collection comprises books that Lucas worked on as an editor or book packager, as well as books she collected, many of which are autographed. Authors include Nancy Willard, Tomie de Paola, Charlotte Zolotow, Ilse-Margret Vogel, P. L. Travers, and Joan Lowery Nixon, among many others. Lucas’ working papers, such as proofs, artwork, photographs, promotional materials, clippings, sound recordings, broadsides, and correspondence that relate to her work also make up part of the donation.

Nearly 200 books have been cataloged to date. To see a list of the books cataloged, enter a subject search “Barbara Lucas Collection” in the online catalog. This search will also bring up the entry for the manuscript collection, entitled “Barbara Lucas Collection.”

For more information or to access the collection, please make an appointment with Beth Harris, Special Collections & Government Information Librarian: 362-6237 or bharris@hollins.edu.


