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Library

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Your connection to the Wyndham Robertson Library

MEET KAREN RYAN

We are very pleased to announce the arrival of our new circulation coordinator, Karen Ryan! Karen is in charge of circulation which means she manages reserves, checkout procedures, and is the staff member you will see the most behind the circulation desk. We caught up with Karen to ask her a few questions.

Q: What is your academic background?

A: I graduated from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English.

Q: What did you do before joining our library?

A: For the past decade, I was the Circulation Coordinator for Randolph College's Lipscomb Library in Lynchburg, VA.

Q: What do you like to read?

A: Like most people I know, I have pretty eclectic taste. If I had to narrow it down to some of my most-read genres, I find myself

reading paranormal and urban fantasy fiction, and non-fiction subjects such as mythology and ancient religions most frequently. I was introduced to Neil Gaiman's *Sandman* series two decades ago and he has continued to be one of my favorite authors. I re-read *Good Omens: The Nice and Accurate Prophecies of Agnes Nutter, Witch* by Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett at least once a year.

Q: What else would you like to share about yourself: hobbies, fun facts, life goals?

A: I love games (video, board, tabletop RPG, etc.). I can quote most of *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* and *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*. I eat my M&Ms one color at a time.



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AWARD-WINNING BOOKS

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What are the benefits of reading an award-winning book? To begin, you know that the quality of the work is excellent. Each award remains relevant by finding and honoring literary gems. Secondly, since each award recognizes works for different reasons, you know that the literature fits within a certain genre, style, or category. For example, if you enjoy books that deal with social justice and cultural issues, you can rely on a Bellwether Prize winner for a fulfilling read. Finally, the library collects all of the prize winners profiled on the library guide for your reading pleasure. Each one of the books listed is available at the Wyndham Robertson Library or at Fintel Library at Roanoke College.

To access the Award-winning Books library guide, go to:
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If you have comments or would like to suggest other awards to be included in the guide please contact Maryke Barber at mbarber@hollins.edu or 540.362.6592.

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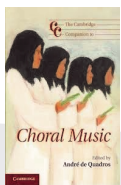
Go to the library's A-Z Database listing to check it out!

ERIC RATH MUSIC LIBRARY

Did you know the Wyndham Robertson is not the only library on campus? Our entire collection of books about music, scores, cassettes, and CDs are held at the Eric Rath Music Library on the first floor of Presser Hall. All of these materials have "HU-Music Library" listed as the location and everything with a call number that begins with "M" is held at our location in Presser Hall.

Please keep in mind that this location is open limited hours. Visit our website for detailed information on hours and remember that you can use the request function in our catalog to have material brought to the Wyndham Robertson Library.

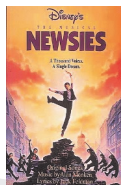
Below are a few new items you can find at the music library.



The Cambridge Companion to Choral Music
ML1500 .C36 2012



Divas in the convent : nuns, music, and defiance in seventeenth-century Italy
ML3033.8.B65 M66



Newsies Piano/Vocal Selections
M1508.M4 N4 2012

MOVIE SCREENING

Rosalind Wiseman's 2002 book, *Queen Bees and Wannabees* inspired Tina Fey's hilarious film about high school hierarchies, *Mean Girls*. To support Wiseman's lecture in the VAC Auditorium on October 28th, the library has teamed up with Student Activities to bring you *Mean Girls*. Be sure to bring a blanket or chair, and some snacks to enjoy during the movie!



Mean Girls
Sunday, October 27th
8:00 pm
Library lawn
BYOS (bring your own snacks)