Giving Day

Mason's third annual Giving Day is this Thursday, April 4 - visit givingday.gmu.edu for this year’s philanthropic goals and special events! The Libraries’ featured project is our Student Assistant Scholarship Endowment for the Libraries. We hope you will join us in supporting our students!

GMU Press Book Launch

Join us for a panel discussion in celebration of the recent publication of George Washington and Native Americans, the latest from the George Mason University Press, on Thursday, April 4, at 3 p.m. in Fenwick 2001.

Richard Harless (author, George Washington and Native Americans), George Oberle (History Librarian, University Libraries and Affiliate Faculty, History and Art History, George Mason University), and Randolph Scully (Associate Professor, History and Art History, George Mason University) will discuss the complexities of this topic in American history and will include time for Q&A with the audience. Books will be available for purchase, and refreshments will be provided (courtesy of the University Bookstore).

Fenwick Fellow Lectures

All are invited to attend our annual Fenwick Fellow Lecture on Wednesday, April 17 at 2 p.m. in Fenwick 2001. This year’s lecture features our 2017-18 fellows: Jennifer Ashley, Assistant Professor of Global Affairs, College of Humanities and Social Sciences; and Alok Yadav, Associate Professor of English, College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Professors Ashley and Yadav will discuss their research and updates on the projects they undertook over the course of their fellowship year, as well as their thoughts on the digital tools used in their explorations and research. Ashley’s lecture is entitled “The Chilean Plebiscite and the Power to be Affected” and Yadav’s is “Anthologies of African American Writing: Literary History and Digital Scholarship - A Modest Proposal.”
About the Fenwick Fellows: The Fenwick Fellowship is awarded annually to Mason faculty members to pursue research projects that use and enhance the University Libraries’ resources while advancing knowledge in the faculty members’ field. Applications for the 2019-2020 fellowship are currently being accepted; the deadline is Monday, May 6, 2019.

What Sparks Poetry

Fenwick Gallery is pleased to host “What Sparks Poetry,” an exhibition in celebration of Poetry Daily and its recent move to Mason. Poetry Daily is a popular daily online anthology that has been promoting poetry since 1997. In 2018, it began the process of moving to George Mason University where it is now edited and produced through a partnership between the Department of English Creative Writing Program and George Mason University Libraries, in collaboration with The Daily Poetry Association.

“What Sparks Poetry” is a new, serialized feature on Poetry Daily in which poets are invited to explore experiences and ideas that spark new poems.

The “What Sparks Poetry” exhibition comprises the handwritten pages and essays by a number of these notable poets—intimate homages to the relationship between poet as reader and poet as writer, and to what sparks poetry. The exhibition will be on view through April 18, 2019 in Fenwick Gallery, on the first floor of Fenwick Library.

Libraries Events & News

For more upcoming events, such as our Mason Author Series, our Music in the Lobby concerts, and other happenings, please visit our Libraries’ calendar at http://library.gmu.edu/workshops and our Libraries’ news page at http://timesync.gmu.edu/libnews/.

Faculty & Staff Accolades

In addition to their day-to-day activities ensuring our library system operates smoothly, and the hours they spend conducting workshops and assisting and guiding students, our faculty and staff serve on national professional committees, organize and contribute to international conferences, secure grants, and supervise student research teams, just to list a few items of note. Visit http://library.gmu.edu/about/accolades for more.