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Check Out the Library

Idea Fest 2016

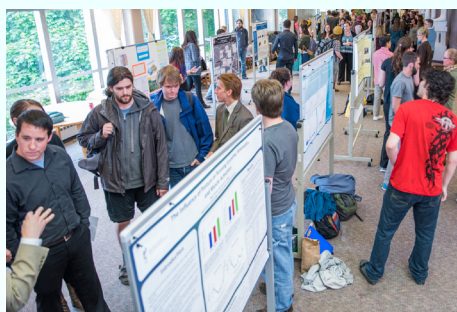
By Kacie Flynn

This April marked Humboldt State University's 3rd Annual IdeaFest Research and Creative Projects Symposium. The campus wide event was held Friday, April 22nd prior to the HSU Honors Dinner. The day included Open Gallery Viewing from 12:00pm-3:00pm, with a more formal Reception and Presentations from 3:00pm-5:30pm.

President Rossbacher gave the opening remarks at the start of the reception to students, staff, faculty, and visiting alumni. IdeaFest came from humble beginnings, first starting as a Centennial Celebration poster showcase with just 38 posters in the Goodwin Forum. Last year was the first IdeaFest hosted in the HSU Library which garnered 70 posters and included musical performances. This year's IdeaFest included over 100 research posters and four featured research presentations on the second floor of the HSU Library.

New this year was the inclusion of student works presented by Theatre, Film, and Dance, further expanding this event from a poster showcase, into a larger more encompassing research and creative activities symposium. Student and Faculty presenters were given the opportunity to exhibit their posters online in Humboldt Digital Scholar, or to be included in the inaugural issue of *HSU IdeaFest*, an annual journal for student research starting this year.

The IdeaFest Symposium is a joint effort co-sponsored by The Office of Research, Economic and Community Development, Marketing & Communications, and the HSU Library in collaboration with the College Deans. We look forward to bringing even more research and creative projects to next year's event!



For more information on how you can become involved in IdeaFest contact Kacie Flynn at kacie.flynn@humboldt.edu Visit our webpage at humboldt.edu/ideafest

Spring in the Library

By Sarah Philips

The library was buzzing with activity this spring. By designing library programs, such as SkillShops and the unConference, supporting learning, scholarship and research, the library continues to be a vibrant learning environment.

SkillShops are 50-minute workshops that students can take to be introduced to or develop skills in areas to help them be more successful. SkillShops cover five themes: professional, research, academic, technology, and life skills. When a student takes at least one SkillShop from each of the five areas they can apply for a Skilled Learner Certificate. Students who complete another four SkillShops in one area become Specialists.

SkillShops are facilitated by librarians, faculty and staff from a variety of offices on campus. During Fall 2015 and Spring 2016, more than 700 individuals attended SkillShops. As Victoria Bruner, Skilled Learner, Technology and Research Specialist notes, "There is different energy in the room, that is separate from coursework/classes for units or credit. SkillShops focus on developing competencies."

Another opportunity for the campus community to share their interests and passions is at the HSU unConference. The unConference is a casual forum for faculty, staff and students to come together and share ideas about their expertise and interest on a theme. The Spring 2016 event, with the theme "How I Learned to...", was an inspiring three-hour event on March 4th in the Library Fishbowl.

2016-2017

HSU Book of the Year

The Invention of Nature: Alexander Von Humboldt's New World is the HSU Book of the Year for 2016-2017. The author Andrea Wulf will speak at the Van Duzer Theater at 7:00pm on Monday, October 24 this fall. Andrea Wulf reveals in her new book the extraordinary life of the visionary German naturalist and how he created the way we understand nature today. Wulf traces Humboldt's influences through the great minds he inspired in revolution, evolution, ecology, conservation, art and literature. In this book, Wulf brings this lost hero to science and the forgotten father of environmentalism back to life. Check out this short video about the book at vimeo.com/93417125



Seismic Retrofit Project Update

By Cyril Oberlander

This summer you will see us preparing spaces for the Seismic Retrofit work ahead, moving tens of thousands of journals, books, and documents. On the first floor you will also see the creation of a Digital Media Lab, a great opportunity for students, faculty, and staff to create videos or record oral histories (library.humboldt.edu/giving/dml.html). We are also moving reference (1st floor) into the main collection (2nd & 3rd floors) shelved by Library of Congress classification, and moving maps in preparation for the Information Commons area. Writing and tutoring services will join us on the first floor to make the Information and Learning Commons the central hub of student activities. On the second floor we are moving half of our journals to the basement, so that by early fall, we can open much needed group study spaces. On the third floor, we are integrating California Documents into the US Documents shelves, to create Humboldt Scholars Lab, a space dedicated to

fostering collaboration among scholars interested in digital scholarship, special collections research, Geographic Information Systems, 3D modeling, and data visualization (library.humboldt.edu/giving/scholarslab.html).

The Seismic Retrofit Project will include replacement of roof tiles and exterior work which is scheduled to start this August. Thankfully, we plan to be open throughout the construction phases. Throughout the project, we genuinely appreciate your patience and support. If you have any questions about finding resources or services during the move, just drop by the Checkout or Research Help desks. To find out more about what is ahead, please check our Transforming HSU's Library website at library.humboldt.edu/transforming.html. If you have questions or suggestions, please contact the Library Dean, Cyril.Oberlander@Humboldt.edu

Delivering HSU History to the Silicon Valley

By Allie Jones, KayCie Voigt, Victoria Bruner, Cat Garibay, Nikki Martensen, Blanca Drapeau, Xi Bromley and Carly Marino

Over spring break, the Humboldt State University Library Scholar interns delivered the professional work of late HSU Mathematics professor, Henry (Hank) Tropp to Silicon Valley to be housed at the Computer History Museum in Mountain View. In addition, some of Dr. Tropp's work will also be sent to the Smithsonian Museum in Washington, D.C. It is important that a distinguished faculty's work is being archived at museums that specialize in computer history.

Tropp worked as a professor in the mathematics, history, and computer departments at Humboldt State from 1957-1992. His research included conducting interviews that are part of the Computer Oral History Collection at the Smithsonian National Museum

of American History. Included in the collection are his personal works, research, correspondence, electronic artifacts, peer reviews, articles, and more. The Library Scholar interns inventoried and packed 36 boxes of research over spring break. Five Library Scholar Interns and the Special Collections Librarian, Carly Marino, had the opportunity to visit the Computer History Museum and get a behind-the-scenes tour of their two archival facilities. The group also toured other museums and libraries in Silicon Valley and even walked around the Google campus.

Opportunities like field trips and tours of large and specialized archives are essential for students as they participate in experiential learning practices like campus internships. Students can see how the skills they are learning on campus are applied in the field. It is an opportunity to talk, ask questions, and network with professionals in the field that make programs like the Library



Scholar program even more impactful. Scholar Intern KayCie Voigt notes, "Being able to visit the large scale professional archives of the Computer History Museum was very inspiring to me because I want to work in an archive. Not only did I get to experience the environment of a professional archive but also got to interact with professionals in the field and learn more about what it takes to become an archivist. Overall this trip was incredibly educational and inspiring and really solidified my decision to become an archivist."

Support Library Scholar Interns at library.humboldt.edu/giving/interns.html

L⁴HSU Library Lifelong Learning Lounge

By Tim Miller & Sarah Philips

Library LifeLong Learning Lounge at HSU (L⁴HSU) is a summer series of free learning events open to students, staff and faculty and led by students, staff and faculty. L⁴HSU began in the summer

of 2015 and immediately caught the attention of the campus, with over 450 participants attending 44 events. This summer is expected to be even bigger, with workshops, book circles, brown bag lunches, film screenings, technology and

data sessions, and more. To view the calendar and register for events, visit humboldt.libcal.com/workshops. If you have an idea for an event you'd like to see and/or if you're interested in facilitating or leading a session, let us know (bit.ly/L4HSU2016).

2015 AT A GLANCE

L⁴HSU **37 DAYS**
44 EVENTS
458 PARTICIPANTS



Mission

Connect programming offered over the previous year or for the future year in a coherent, organized, and planned summer series of "lunchtime" activities.

Meet Personal and Professional Development needs of students (specifically student workers), staff, and faculty over the summer.

2015 Partners: University Library, Institutional Research & Planning, Native American Studies, eLearning & Extended Education, African American Center for Academic Excellence, Writing Studio at the Learning Center, and Housing



Testimonials

"I feel recharged to go into the fall semester with refined and new tools to use as a campus educator."

"I also really loved the sessions about diversity because it helped me to dive more into my personal identity so I can better support our students"

"I'm learning about white privilege, racial bias and how to help change the dominant culture at HSU to better serve and support our students."

Help create community and develop skills this summer with L⁴HSU! Sessions scheduled so far include: Tech Shorts (Camtasia, Drupal, Google Drive, and more!), Data Thursdays with Michael Le, Writing Circles, Someday Mondays, Book Circles, Don't Yuck My Yum, Archival Exploration: A Historic Campus Walking Tour, Film Screenings and many more.

Our mission is to: Connect programming offered over the previous year or for the future year in a coherent, organized, and planned summer series of "lunchtime" activities. Meet Personal and Professional Development needs of students (specifically student workers), staff, and faculty over the summer.

Student Testimonial

"My experience attending the Mini Book Circle last summer reaffirmed my own experiences living in diaspora and validated so much of the realities of Pilipin@s/ Pilipinx's - Americans. The title, *What U.S. History Has Not Taught America*, alone illustrates the constant erasure of stories, of truths, that are often not represented in textbooks and other forms of media. Sara Obenauer draws the connection of Western (Spanish & American) Colonialism and the influence of the 'Imperialist White Supremacist Capitalist Patriarchy' on LuzViMinda. The space was an outlet to share narratives incongruent with the dominant culture and overall, empower those of us who continue to remain resilient in our resistance to exist in this world." *Navor Resurreccion, Social Work Major.*



Have a story to share with the campus? Writing for the Library newsletter could not be easier! Students, staff, and faculty are encouraged to contact libmarketing@humboldt.edu to learn more about sharing a story in the next newsletter.

A Look Into Toyon and English 460

By Angela Compton, English Major and Toyon Managing Editor
 Toyon is back at it again with an exciting issue. Volume 62 includes a diverse range of fiction, creative nonfiction, poetry, visual art, and translation. New this year is a Multilingual Award, given to the best work in translation, Spanish, or multiple languages. This year's release party featured a bilingual reading, recognizing the ever growing array of writers submitting in multiple languages. Also this year we had award recipients from out of state, a recent alum from HSU, a current student, and an elder in our community. They were all recognized, either by the party funding the award, or by myself, for their works.



And since our submissions so often come from writers who attend or graduated from Humboldt, every volume of Toyon has been showcased in the University Library's Authors Hall, presenting decades of work by Humboldt's citizens and students. Library Scholar Interns who have served on the Toyon staff are busy creating an online archive of the older volumes and researching Toyon's remarkable history. Back issues and the 2016 issue will now be indexed in Humboldt Digital Commons (digitalcommons.humboldt.edu).

We hope you'll pick up a free copy of the 2016 edition of Toyon in Founders Hall 201 and various locations on campus to celebrate the work that the Toyon student editors, writers, and artists have accomplished this year!

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Tokyo National Museum Symposium

Preserving and Restoring Cultural Assets Damaged by Tsunami, Featured keynote speaker Lori Dengler

HSU emeritus Geology professor and world-renowned tsunami expert Lori Dengler gave an address at the prestigious Tokyo National Museum on March 11, 2016, as part of the five-year commemoration of the Japan earthquake and tsunami. Featured during her talk was the bilingual children's book *The Extraordinary Voyage of Kamome: A Tsunami Boat Comes Home* authored by Dengler and Amya Miller and designed by local artist Amy Uyeki. The book was published in November 2015 and is the inaugural publication of Humboldt State University Press (library.humboldt.edu/about/HSUPress.html).

