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Fall Semester Building Hours

Marx Library Hours

August 15 - October 9

Mon. - Thurs. 8:00 am - 10:00 pm

Fri. 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sat. 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sun. 1:00 pm - 10:00 pm

[Click here to get a complete schedule for the Marx Library](#)

[Biomedical Library Hours](#)

**Marx Librarians Provide Educational Services to the
Alabama College Prep Program**



Dr. Angela Doucet Rand



Ms. Beth R. Shepard

Marx Library librarians annually provide educational services to the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services and College Prep Program. Starting in 2008, Dr. Angela Doucet Rand has provided library instruction and a specially designed professor's lecture to students enrolled in the program. In 2018 Ms. Beth R. Shepard took on the responsibility for conducting library instruction for students in the main campus program. In Summer 2022, Dr. Rand and Ms. Shepard again provided these instructional services to approximately 30 students enrolled in the College Prep program. Engaging with these students has become an important part of professional service, and it is rewarding to see the long-term success of this involvement.

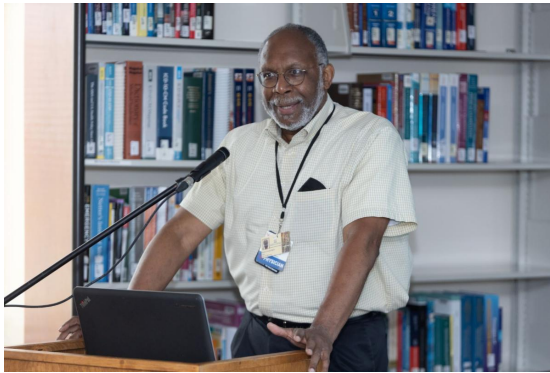
A little about the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services: The Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services (ADRS) created the College Prep program 28 years ago to prepare students with various learning needs for a successful college experience. College Prep is a one-week program located on the main and Baldwin County campuses of the University of South Alabama (USA) that provides students with strategies, instruction, and guidance necessary for college success. Included in this program is a college professor's lecture from Dr. Angela Rand, Foundational library instruction from Ms. Beth Shepard, a counseling services presentation from Dr. John Friend, and a writing lab presentation from Dr. Frank Ard. In addition, students are taught strategies for academic success such as time management, organization, and self-advocacy. Vocational Rehabilitation and College Prep counselors work directly with students to assist with recommended college accommodations.

The assistance provided by the USA faculty for the last 28 years is a voluntary community service. Over the years, the College Prep program has had tremendous success, and in 2019 one of the program's graduates received his Ph.D. ADRS is extremely grateful for the assistance and cooperation from the University of South Alabama in helping these students maximize their full potential.

Biomedical Library

The Biomedical Library, in collaboration with the Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM), was selected as one of eight pilot host sites for the NNLM *All of Us* Precision Medicine Traveling Exhibit. The Precision Medicine Traveling Exhibit features information about precision medicine, the National Library of Medicine's health information resources, and an introduction to the *All of Us* Research Program.

The exhibit was on display in the lobby of the Biomedical Library from August 22 – September 23, 2022. USA Health's *All of Us Research* program partnered with the Biomedical Library in hosting the exhibit and in facilitating the installation of large, eye-catching window decals related to precision medicine. In association with the exhibit, a panel presentation took place on August 23, 2022, featuring Dr. Errol Crook, Director of USA's Center for Healthy Communities, Dr. Pranitha Prodduturvar, Medical Oncologist from the Mitchell Cancer Institute, and Ms. Connie Little, a cancer patient who has benefitted from precision medicine and targeted therapies.



USA Health's *All of Us Research* Program hosted fun and educational activities in the breezeway outside the Biomedical Library September 6-9, 2022. Attendees had the chance to spin an interactive wheel, win a prize, and learn more about and enroll in the *All of Us Research* program.



A companion LibGuide was also created to complement the exhibit and feature additional resources:
<https://libguides.southalabama.edu/precisionmedicineexhibit>.

McCall Library Expands Oral History Collection



McCall Library staff (from left) Mr. Michael Campbell, Dr. Ryan Morini, and Ms. Jada Jones, pose with recent oral history interviewee, Dr. Joseph Mitchell.

The McCall Library is buzzing with activity as we continue to develop community oral history collections exploring Black life in Mobile, including collections on the Excelsior Band and the Down The Bay neighborhood. Narrators from Down the Bay have shared stories that illustrate the texture of family life, pride of place, self-reliance, and creativity and explore the impacts of urban renewal and the construction of I-10 on the community. The DTB collection includes over 60 interviews already, and each week we have been recording more. Excelsior Band narrators have shared their individual pathways into music, the mentors who helped to shape their playing, favorite memories and reflections, and their reflections on the legacy of the band in relation to its upcoming 140th anniversary.

In addition to ongoing interview projects, our NEH funded Director of Community Oral History Collections, Dr. Ryan Morini, is working to organize our existing oral history collections and make them more accessible, including updated digital transcripts and digital audio or video files. Our interviews all pertain to Mobile in various ways, and cover topics such as the history of South, Black history, Native American history, Jewish history, women's history, environmental history, veterans history, and histories of organizing and activism among other topics.

USA Libraries Celebrate Thigpen Collection



Alec Thigpen and Karen Burton, center, pose with former Thigpen Photography studio staff Valerie Uteg Iliff and her daughter, and Yancey Leath.

On Wednesday, September 7, the McCall Library celebrated the donation of the Alec and Roy Thigpen Photography collection. Alec Thigpen and Karen Burton presented the history of the family photography studio and 75 guests enjoyed the engaging lecture followed by a festive reception in the Rodning Gallery. USA President Jo Bonner joined us to personally thank the Thigpen family for the extraordinary gift, and the McCall Library exhibit showcased many of the gems of the collection. The Thigpen exhibit will remain in the 3rd-floor hallway cases through the end of October, and a digital presentation is viewable in the Archives foyer.



New Resource: American Institute of Physics (AIP) Ebooks

The USA University Libraries, using some endowment funds, recently added some ebook

condensed matter physics to nanotechnology and chemical physics.

collections from AIP Publishing. These ebooks cover a range of content from

The collection includes classic texts from the American Association of Physics Teachers.

Access [AIP Ebooks](#)

University Libraries Publications & Staff Updates

Amia Baker - Amia Baker, Director, MLRC, received the Outstanding Staff Award from the Mitchell College of Business.

USA Libraries Exhibits & Events September/October 2022

MOBILE ART ASSOCIATION

FALL OPEN SHOW



RODNING GALLERY OF ART

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2022
5901 USA DRIVE NORTH/ MOBILE, AL 36688

*Reception with refreshments
September 8th @ 6pm*

IMAGES FROM MAA MEMBER'S SHOW, SPRING 2022

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**KATIE
THOMPSON**

**Wanderlust &
Whimsy**

September/October 2022

Gallery Hall

USA Libraries Art Galleries

Reception with refreshments

September 21st @ 6pm

Mapx Library

Rodning Gallery

USA Libraries Art Galleries

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Mobile, AL 36688

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MARX LIBRARY
STUDENT GALLERY
SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2022



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