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## **University Libraries Newsletter**

### **April 2022**

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#### **Summer Semester Building Hours**

##### **Marx Library Hours**

**May 9 - July 29**

Mon. - Thurs. 8:00 am - 9:00 pm

Fri. 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sat. 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sun. 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

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

[Biomedical Library Hours](#)

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#### **Barton Academy Students Visit the McCall Library**



On April 11, the McCall Library welcomed a group of German language students from Barton Academy for Advanced World Studies who were conducting research on German immigrants to Mobile. The group first viewed the Joseph Bloch traveling exhibit and then settled into the archives for their individual research projects on such topics as Dave Levi and the Comic Cowboys, architect Rudolph Benz, and the German Relief Association papers. We're grateful for the collaboration of Dr. Christine Rinne for arranging the visit and glad to have young community members making use of our resources.

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## **Biomedical Library Celebrates COM Students**



Jag Proud! Here are some of our future doctors - halfway to their 3rd year and closer to their MD goal. Recently the Biomedical Library gave some of our deserving COM students a treat after they had finished testing. The library shared some goodie bags with them to let the students know that we are very proud of all their hard work. - *Karena Harrell*

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## **Students Enjoyed Pizza and Poetry in the Rodning Gallery**



On April 12th, the Student Engagement Committee in coordination with the Rodning Gallery hosted Poetry & Pizza. An open-mic event for students, faculty, and staff to enjoy pizza and share original as well as published poetry. There were 65 attendees with 34 poetry and short story readers.

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## **Welcome Gail Kouame, Director, Baugh Biomedical Library**





Gail Kouame has joined the USA Libraries as the Director of the Biomedical Library. Gail came to USA from Augusta University where she was the Assistant Director for Research & Education Services at the Robert B. Greenblatt, MD Library for over 5 years.

She also worked at the University of Washington Health Sciences Library, first as the Consumer Health Outreach Coordinator for the National Network of Libraries of Medicine, and later as the Assistant Director for HEAL-WA, the On-Call Library for Washington State Practitioners.

Prior to becoming a librarian, Gail was a social worker in long-term care, assisting elderly clients and their families. Gail grew up in the Bay Area in California and later moved to Washington State where she lived for 30 years, prior to her move to Augusta, GA. Gail raised her two daughters in Washington and now has seven grandchildren. In her free time, Gail enjoys walking and hiking, traveling, live music, and enjoying a nice glass of wine and conversation with friends and family.

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### **Welcome Sarah McGough, Coordinator for Curriculum and Community Relations for the McCall Library**



The McCall Library is pleased to welcome Sara McGough as Coordinator for Curriculum and Community Relations, the second of our National Endowment for the Humanities funded project staff.

Sara will be working to develop community partnerships that support oral history collection development. Several projects are already underway, and we are delighted to have Sara as part of the team.

## **Welcome Kaitlyn Moody, Government Documents/Serials LTA II for the Marx Library**



The Government Documents department welcomes a new staff member, Ms. Kaitlyn Moody. She graduated from the University of South Alabama in 2020 with a degree in Secondary Education/English and will graduate with a Master's in Library & Information Science from the University of Southern Mississippi this coming Fall. Kaitlyn is not completely new to the Gov Docs department, however, as she completed a practicum this past year under the guidance of Ms. Vicki Tate. She has a genuine interest in bringing awareness to government materials as a way to enhance information literacy skills and is excited to continue growing as a library professional at USA.

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## **Sandy House, Secretary at Baugh Biomedical Library, Retires**



After working at the University of South Alabama for more than 33 years, Sandra Vrachalus House will retire on May 1, 2022. Currently serving as the Secretary for the Biomedical Library, she is also an adjunct instructor for the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work. Previously, she worked with Dr. Woody Hannum in the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, Dr. Madhuri Mulekar in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, and April Hill in the Office of Contact Tracing as a Contact Tracer. Describing her commitment to the University of South Alabama, Sandy commented: "I have had the pleasure of working in higher education. Doing so has given me respect for education as well as educators. The opportunities that I have had prepared me to teach online courses as well as tutoring elementary school children. It was a real pleasure working with terrific colleagues who proved that teamwork really does make tasks both rewarding

and fun!”

Sandy played a critical role during the pandemic when she served on the USA contact tracing team. It was her responsibility to make sure all of the faculty, students, and staff followed the appropriate guidelines along with liaising with people throughout their isolation and quarantine period.

Knowledgeable and experienced, Sandy has been an important resource for faculty, staff, and students.

While Sandy will miss the lifelong friends that she made over the years at South, in retirement she plans to spend time with family, traveling, and getting more involved with animal rescue. One group, in particular, is close to her heart, Save A Stray.

We will miss you, Sandy. Enjoy retirement.

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## University Libraries Recent Publications & Staff Updates

**Trey Lemly** - Trey Lemly, Senior Librarian, Biomedical Library, Head of Reference and Collection Development, co-authored the article, "Physical Therapists' and Physical Therapist Students' Experiences and Views on the Provision of Physical Therapy Services to People With Dementia: A Scoping Review," for the journal, *Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy*.

**Nancy Pugh** - Nancy Pugh, Library Supervisor for the Baugh Biomedical Library, has successfully completed the course, “Adobe Acrobat Pro Training Course: Faculty/Staff March 2022”. The course was presented by the University of South Alabama Innovation Learning Center from March 7 through March 25, 2022. Through the course, she learned how to review and adjust PDF documents for accessibility, and create PDF documents that are fillable to recipients via the web. She has received her badge for the course and it is posted on her LinkedIn page.

**Angela Rand** - Angela Rand, Director, Marx Library, published the book chapter, "Systems Thinking in Instructional Design," in the book, *The Instructional Design Trainer's Guide*.

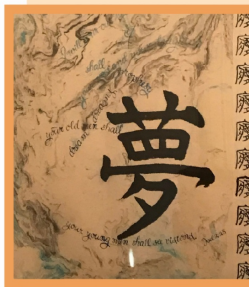
**Angela Rand** - Angela Rand, Director, Marx Library, co-presented, "Implementing Technology-Based Reflection to Assess Elementary Students' Design Thinking and Conceptual Understanding in an Engineering Design Challenge," at the *American Association of Education Research (SERA)* in March of 2022.

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## USA Libraries Exhibits March/April 2022 Recordings



## Art of Sumi-e in Mobile



## YEAR OF THE TIGER

By The Shibui Chapter  
of Mobile, Alabama

**March-April 2022**

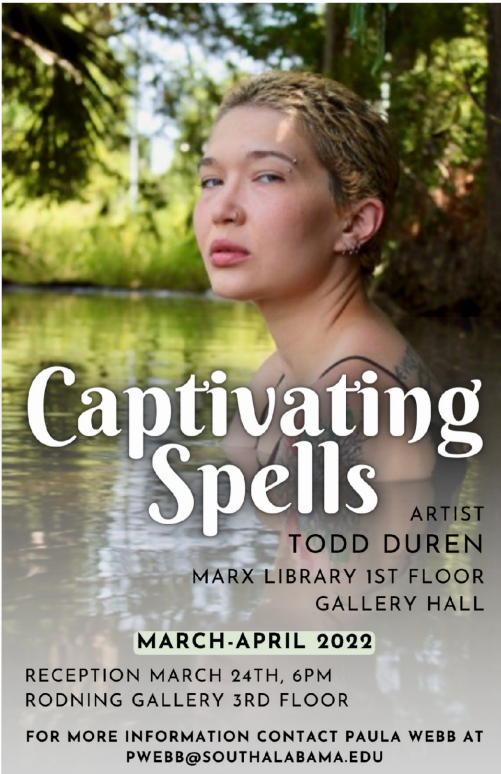
Marx Library  
3rd Floor  
Rodning Gallery

**Reception  
March 17th at 6PM**



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# Captivating Spells

ARTIST  
**TODD DUREN**  
MARX LIBRARY 1ST FLOOR  
GALLERY HALL

**MARCH-APRIL 2022**

RECEPTION MARCH 24TH, 6PM  
RODNING GALLERY 3RD FLOOR

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## USA Libraries Exhibits & Events May/June 2022



# J.A.W.S.

JAZZ ART WRITERS SOUTH



**FESTIVAL @ USA LIBRARIES**

**JAZZ ART EXHIBIT & EVENTS**

**FEATURING ARTISTS...**



Soynika  
Edwards-Bush



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
OF SOUTH ALABAMA

JAWS  
Youth

Hosea  
London



Margaret  
Richey



Dr. Joaquin  
Holloway, Jr.



Thomas  
Jackson

Robby  
Amonett



**RODNING GALLERY EXHIBITS**  
**MAY - JUNE 2022**  
**FREE EVENT!**

**FREE**

**COME JOIN US!**

May 19th - JAWS Letters & Songs -  
Local Authors Meet & Greet - 12 Noon - 4 PM

May 19th - "Jazz on a Summer's Day" - 1:30 PM

June 16th - Jazz Concert  
USA Library Auditorium - 3PM

June 16th - Artists Reception & Awards - 3 PM - 4PM

FREE EVENTS! MORE INFO AT [EVENTBRITE.COM](https://www.eventbrite.com)

**FREE**



*Jazz Art Writers South*  
**jaws youth**

Artistic Lead: Soynika Edwards-Bush

**On display May - June 2022**



**Art by Boys & Girls Club members  
at the University of South  
Alabama  
Marx Library  
3rd Floor Rodning Gallery**

**Grand Opening May 19th!**  
Awards and Jazz Concert

**June 16th at 3 PM.**

Boys & Girls Club  
members, friends, family  
and all welcome!





May 13th, 2022

3pm-5pm @Marx Library

Poetry by: Nikol Day



A Motherhood Anthology Reading

Adresses: 5901 USA N Dr,  
Mobile, AL 36608

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Have you checked out our Social Media sites?

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[USA Biomedical Library Facebook Page](#)



[Doy Leale McCall Rare Book and Manuscript Library](#)

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