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Yolanda Cooper begins her new role at Emory as University Librarian



In January, Yolanda Cooper began her new role as Emory's University Librarian, a recently redefined position in the [Library and Information Technology Services organization](#).

In this Q&A, she shares some of her initial impressions and describes how she first became interested in joining the Emory library community.

Cooper oversees areas of services, content, scholarly communications, external affairs and library administration, as well as the [Manuscript Archives and Rare Book Library](#) (MARBL). Her responsibilities include outlining ways in which library services, digital scholarship and informational technology can better support Emory's mission and vision.

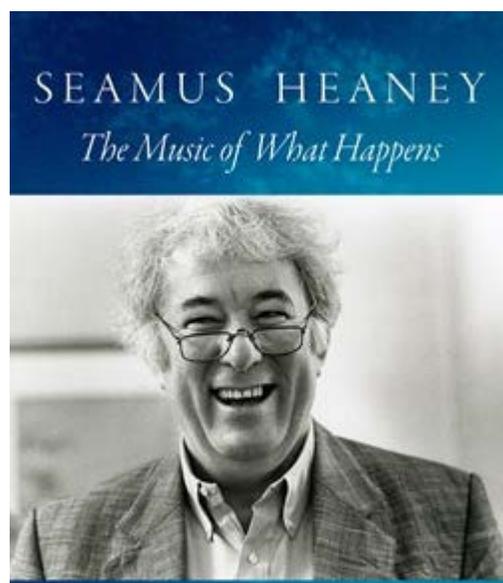
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Heaney exhibition opens with public celebration Feb. 22

Emory University will debut the first major exhibition to celebrate the life and work of late Irish poet and Nobel Prize winner Seamus Heaney since his death in August 2013, including such rarely seen objects as old photographs, personal correspondence with other writers, and the surface of his one-time writing desk.

“Seamus Heaney: The Music of What Happens” opens Saturday, Feb. 22, 2014 in the Schatten Gallery on level 3 of the [Robert W. Woodruff Library](#), with a celebration in the gallery at 5:30 p.m., open to the public at no charge. The exhibition, with materials drawn from the Heaney collection at MARBL, includes a media space where patrons can listen to recordings of Heaney’s poems read by the poet himself as well as other writers, artists, and well-known figures.



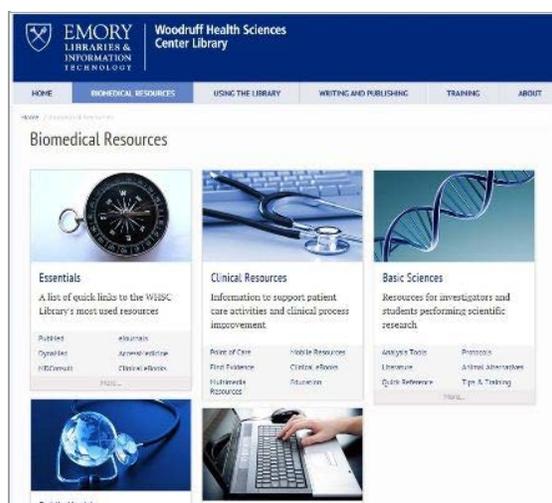
The day begins with a 1 p.m. conversation with distinguished guests about Heaney’s work, open to all at no charge, led by exhibition curator Geraldine Higgins, director of Emory’s Irish Studies program. At 4 p.m., Pulitzer Prize-winning Irish poet and Heaney friend Paul Muldoon will give a reading at Glenn Auditorium; although the event is open to the public at no charge, tickets are required and are still available.

Please join us for any or all of these events. We look forward to seeing you.

[Heaney exhibition details and opening schedule](#)

[Paul Muldoon reading and ticket information](#)

New websites for business and health libraries



In time for the new year, two of our Emory libraries, [Goizueta Business Library](#) and the [Woodruff Health Sciences Center \(WHSC\) Library](#), have launched redesigned websites that are easier to navigate.

The business library has an online new book section, information on checking out a business Kindle that's preloaded with business classics, bestsellers and career books, and an extensive career section. Databases have been made more mobile-friendly.

The health sciences library has a cleaner, less cluttered look, particularly useful for the Access databases, and there are self-assessment sections as well as Sneak Peek quizzes for some

certification and licensing exams.

[Goizueta Business Library: Check out our new look](#)

[WHSC Library Blog: New website features](#)

Civil rights leader places papers with Emory University

Civil rights leader the Rev. C.T. Vivian, who worked alongside Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in the [Southern Christian Leadership Conference \(SCLC\)](#), is placing a portion of his and his late wife Octavia's papers with MARBL.

"It's one of the most significant additions to our African American and civil rights material, and a great opportunity for students and scholars to appreciate a life so fully lived by someone who made such important contributions to the world," says MARBL director Rosemary Magee.

The Vivians' papers contain binders of notes and articles pertaining to civil rights activities and issues, some of C.T.'s published essays and SCLC work, Octavia's work on her published biography of Coretta Scott King, congressional materials related to the creation of Martin Luther King Jr. Day as a holiday, as well as newspaper articles, periodicals, programs from King Day celebrations across the country, C.T.'s outlines for speeches, including notes he jotted on napkins and event programs, and other ephemera.

Vivian says some of the couple's materials are in fragile condition. "They need a place to be properly preserved, and Emory does an excellent job," he says.



[Read more about the C.T. Vivian papers](#)

[YouTube: Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient C.T. Vivian speaks at Emory University](#)

Photo: Rev. C.T. Vivian speaking at an Emory Libraries conversation on Nov. 21, the day after receiving the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Credit: Ann Borden, Emory Photo/Video.

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Emory to host exhibition on Seamus Heaney, via Associated Press and carried by the [Marietta Daily Journal](#), Atlanta Journal Constitution, Macon Telegraph, WRCB-TV Chattanooga, The Republic, WTVC-TV Chattanooga, and other media outlets

Civil rights leader C.T. Vivian places papers at Emory, featured in the [Washington Post](#) and on [WSB-TV Channel 2 Atlanta](#)

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