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Battle of Atlanta program and exhibit opening set for July 17 at Emory



Emory's [Robert W. Woodruff Library](#) and the [Emory Center for Digital Scholarship](#) (ECDS) continue to celebrate the launch of the [Battle of Atlanta mobile tour website](#) and commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle with a program and exhibit of materials on Thursday, July 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Jones Room at the library.

The program will include a talk about the Battle by Daniel Pollock, project lead and Civil War scholar; a demonstration of the mobile tour by Brian Croxall, project manager and ECDS digital humanities strategist; and a presentation on the Civil War collections housed at Emory's [Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library](#) (MARBL). Randy Gue, curator of Modern Political and Historical Collections, will discuss stories and perspectives on Confederate, and civilian collections.

the Battle that emerge from MARBL's Union, Confederate, and civilian collections.

The exhibit, "Mobilizing the Battle of Atlanta," chronicles how the tour application was created and the research that went into it. Among the historical materials on display will be photographs, letters, newspaper clippings, postcards, maps, and the diary of [Dolly Lunt Burge](#), who described hearing the Battle from as far away as Covington, Georgia. The exhibit, which will remain on view through October 19 outside ECDS on level 3 of the library, will also include some items that do not appear on the digital tour.

[Read more about the July 17 event.](#)

[BattleATL.org](#) mobile tour site

[Learn about the Battle of Atlanta mobile tour](#)

Photo: Confederate fortifications around Atlanta, fall 1864. Image by George Barnard. Courtesy Library of Congress.

MARBL acquires papers of prize-winning poet Nathaniel Mackey

The papers of acclaimed poet Nathaniel Mackey, who won the prestigious Ruth Lilly Poetry Prize in May, have been acquired by the [Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library](#) (MARBL).

Given by the Poetry Foundation, the Lilly prize is a \$100,000 lifetime achievement award, one of the most lucrative literary prizes in the world. Mackey also won the National Book Award for Poetry in 2006.

Mackey's papers arrived at MARBL in April, just a month before he won the Lilly prize, says Kevin Young, curator of literary collections and of the Raymond Danowski Poetry Library at MARBL and professor of English and creative writing at Emory University.

"MARBL has become synonymous with poetry and is known worldwide for our tremendous African American collections," Young says. "Mackey's remarkable papers extend our collection's myriad strengths, while deepening our sense of the literary and musical traditions that Mackey so eloquently embodies."

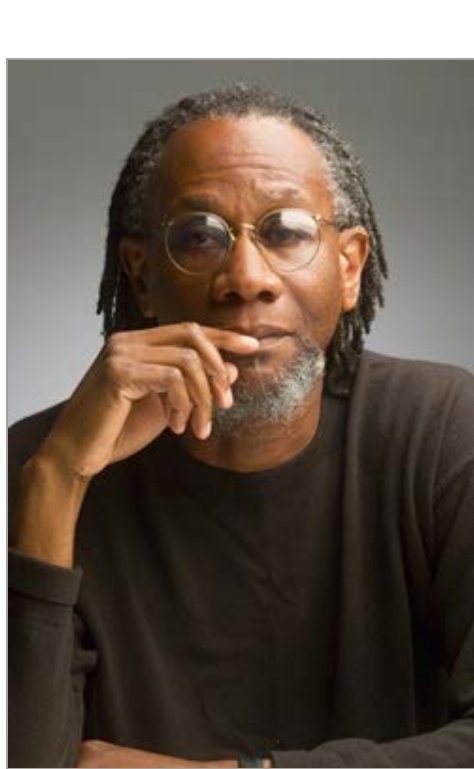
Mackey, who was cited in a [recent New York Times article](#) as an influence on a generation of African American writers and poets, has also written prose, nonfiction, novels and criticism and has served as an editor of anthologies.

[Read more about the Nathaniel Mackey papers](#)

[Nathaniel Mackey finding aid in MARBL](#)

[Literature and poetry collections in MARBL](#)

Photo of Nathaniel Mackey by Nine Subin, courtesy New Directions Publishing.



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During the summer, Kindles at the business library may be checked out for six weeks; the standard checkout period during the academic year is 30 days.

The business library currently has 22 Kindles but is increasing the number to 44 over the summer; if all the devices are checked out, names will be placed on a waiting list and those people will be contacted when one becomes available. While some students stop in to check out a business Kindle, most make arrangements with a business librarian in advance via the [Ask a Librarian email](#).



[More information on Kindles at the Goizueta Business Library](#)

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Woodruff Library art on view at Oglethorpe University Museum of Art



Selections from the art collection at Emory's Woodruff Library will be featured in an exhibition that opens June 28 at the Oglethorpe University Museum of Art (OUMA).

"Mid Century Modern: Works on Paper" will run through August 31 in the museum's Center Gallery.

The Woodruff Library owns a small but diverse collection of mid-century works, donated by Elizabeth Balzen Loch in 1969 when the original library and its stack tower were built.

Kathryn Dixon, library exhibitions manager, says OUMA chose nine prints on paper, works from the 1960s and 1970s by artists such as Alexander Calder, Helen Frankenthaler, Larry Rivers, Jim Dine, Adolph Gottlieb and American composer/artist John Cage with Carl Sumsion. In addition to the pieces from the Woodruff Library, the exhibition will include works from the museum's own collections.

[Read more about this Emory-Oglethorpe collaboration](#)

Image: "Redcoats - Mist" (1970), color silkscreen by Larry Rivers. Image courtesy Robert W. Woodruff Library, Emory University.

Construction update

Renovation in the Woodruff Library and MARBL is moving along. A portion of the Learning Commons on level 2 has been curtained off with plastic while renovation takes place, and other areas of level 2 that formerly housed workstations have been cleared out.

Construction workers have assembled an exterior elevator on one side of the building up to the 10th floor MARBL balcony, so they can proceed with demolition and removal of the balcony walls and rails.

Links to photo blog posts are below.

[June 26 construction photo blog](#)

[Weekly construction photo blogs since June 12](#)

[Read more about the Level 2 Learning Commons remodeling](#)

[Learn about MARBL's extensive renovation](#)



Image: Workers have built an outdoor elevator along the west side of the building to bring down concrete and other heavy debris during demolition. Image courtesy Robert W. Woodruff Library, Emory University.

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The debut of "When the Emory Unit Went to War," about the exhibition of materials on the Emory medical unit that served in World War I and II, [featured in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution](#).

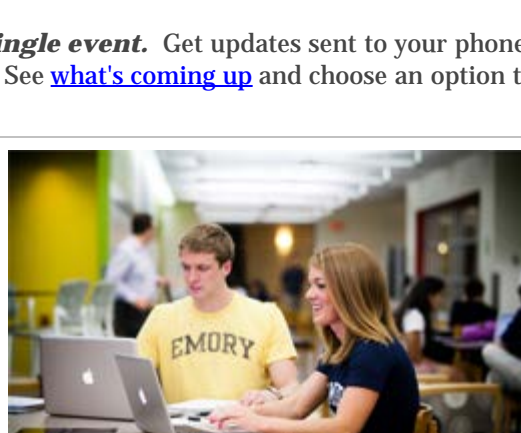
Kevin Young, interviewed on NPR's "Here and Now" about Maya Angelou's life and legacy, broadcast on stations including [WUWM](#)

[Milwaukee Public Radio.](#)

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