Beats and Buddhism event rescheduled for April 11

“This Tank Full of Dreams: Buddhism, Poetry, and the Beats,” has been rescheduled for 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11, in the Woodruff Library Jones Room. The evening will feature Emory faculty reading Buddhist poems in their original languages, including Japanese, Tibetan, Sanskrit, and Chinese. Students will then read Beat poetry in English responding to the Buddhist tradition.

This is the event originally slated for March 7 but was cancelled due to an unexpected University closure. Please register (or re-register if you signed up for the March event) at the link below.

Register for this event

Harper Lee’s letters are now open to the public

Personal letters from author Harper Lee to close friends are now open for viewing. A collection of personal letters written by “To Kill a Mockingbird” author Harper Lee and other materials, recently acquired by the Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library, became available to the public on April 2. The letters, written by Lee between 1956 and 1961 to close friends while she worked on the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel and the 2016 release “Go Set a Watchman,” show her sense of humor and love of language. Those interested in viewing the collection can find more information on how to do so on the Using Rose Library page at the Rose Library website.

Read more about the Harper Lee collection

Reception for book artists Peter and Donna Thomas on May 2

Join us for a celebration of two very creative people on Wednesday, May 2, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Rose Library. Peter and Donna Thomas, book artists from Santa Cruz, completed their first book in 1978. This year marks their 40th anniversary, which Emory Libraries will help celebrate with an exhibit of artists’ books from Rose Library’s own holdings and a reception to honor the two artists. Come meet these self-proclaimed wandering book artists and enjoy light refreshments, wine, and lively conversations about their creative process. They previously visited the Woodruff Library in 2013 for an artist book workshop and the opening of one of their own creations – read more about it at the link below.

Register for the Thomases’ book artists reception

Read about the Emory opening of the Thomases’ Cannery Row: A book in a tin

Students step up to contribute to Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

Volunteers at Emory’s Woodruff Library add or edit entries on women and other underrepresented gender artists at the 2018 Art+Feminism Wikipedia Edit-a-thon. During Women’s History Month in March, both the Woodruff Library at Emory’s Atlanta campus and the Oxford Library at the Oxford College campus held an Art+Feminism Wikipedia Edit-a-thon. The event is a worldwide collaboration in which volunteers gather to add new Wikipedia entries (or edit existing ones) on women artists and those of other underrepresented genders. This year at the Oxford College Library, 17 editors made 29 edits to 17 articles, adding 1,310 words. At the Woodruff Library, 10 editors made 19 edits to 10 articles, adding 1,670 words. Click the links below for photos and more details.

Read the article on the Oxford Spokesman website

View the Twitter post on the Woodruff Edit-a-thon (no account needed)

Emory Libraries in the news

We’re making headlines in Atlanta and around the world:

- The Atlanta Journal-Constitution (myAJC.com) featured an in-depth look at the Harper Lee letters in the Rose Library collection (subscription required).
- A humorous article in the Irish Times about love letters and the modern generation cites the Rose Library’s collection of the Obama letters.
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