



RENFRO INFO

The Official eNewsletter of Renfro Library



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Kevin's Corner

Greetings MHU community! This is our first “Pre-Summer” edition of the newsletter. Last summer we worked hard to reclaim and redesign some spaces in the library. We created a new space with bar-height seating and created a greenscreen and lightboard recording studio. This summer we’ll continue reimagining library spaces. – Stay tuned for more details!



As the term comes to a close, we want to remind you that the we are here to help with those final assignments and finals. Come to the

library and claim some space for focused study, work on your group projects, or just find a quiet place to relax for a bit.

We will have extended evening hours to 11pm the week before finals and during finals week. Fridays, we will still close at 5PM. Please visit the library website to confirm hours when those days are near.

This year we are offering summer-long check outs. In other words, if you are a registered student for Fall 25, you can check out a book in May and keep the book all summer to read!

Kevin

New and News

Green Light Studio - TRAINING!

The Green Light Studio is excited to announce training opportunities for its state-of-the-art, one-button studio, designed to help faculty, staff, and students create engaging videos, podcasts, or live presentations. This cutting-edge facility features two distinct recording areas tailored to your unique needs.

The Green Screen Recording Station is the ideal setting for producing videos with customizable backgrounds, allowing you to transport your audience to any virtual location. This versatile technology enables you to create professional-looking content that captivates viewers while catering to various subject matters.

For educators seeking to enhance their lectures, the Lightboard Recording Station provides an innovative solution. By positioning a clear screen in front of the presenter, this setup allows you to maintain eye contact with your audience while writing or illustrating key concepts. This engaging approach fosters a more dynamic learning experience for your students.

Summer presents the perfect opportunity to schedule your training and get a head start on creating captivating course videos for the upcoming fall semester. To reserve your spot, simply email Kevin_Mulhall@mhu.edu, and our dedicated team will be delighted to assist you in harnessing the full potential of the Green Light Studio. If you're eager to learn more about the Green Light Studio and its capabilities, be sure to explore the comprehensive [Green Light guide](#) for in-depth information and tips on maximizing your recording experience. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to elevate your content and create a lasting impact on your audience!



New and News

Database Spotlight



Transparent Language Online 110+ languages At Your Fingertips

Planning a trip to Italy to celebrate your anniversary? Just want to brush up that language you studied for four years in school, but somehow can't seem to remember at all? Transparent Language has got you covered.

We are excited to announce that we offer [Transparent Language Online](#) free to all MHU Faculty, staff, and students. Whether you're starting at the very beginning with a new alphabet or you're an intermediate learner looking to enhance your vocabulary and grammar knowledge, [Transparent Language Online](#) can help. Available for learning **110+ languages**, plus English (ESL) materials for native speakers of 30+ languages, the program has something for everyone:

- **Alphabet Courses:** Full-length alphabet courses are available for 18+ languages to familiarize you with new writing systems, empowering you to learn one (or more!) of those "intimidating" languages like Mandarin Chinese, Hindi, or Arabic.
- **Essentials Courses:** These courses guide you through 30+ lessons of pure language fundamentals, including meeting and greeting, expressing wants and needs, planning for a trip, dealing with money, asking for help, and beyond.
- **General Vocabulary:** Hundreds of topically-organized vocabulary lists will teach you thousands of new words and phrases through a completely redesigned suite of fun, interactive activities that build all four core language skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

To learn more about [Transparent Language Online](#) and preview the program, swing by the library for a demo and to set up a free account. You can also access the program directly at [Transparent Language Online](#).

New and News

Summer in Renfro

While the campus may slow down during the summer, the library remains a hive of activity. Our dedicated staff uses this time to improve services for students and faculty, starting with weeding out old books. This ensures our collection remains relevant and up-to-date, making room for new additions.

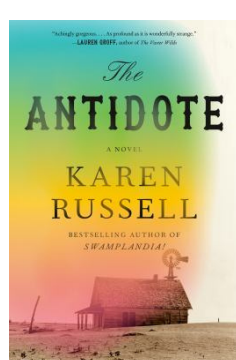
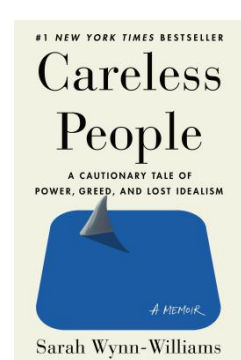
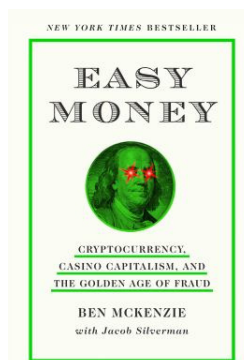
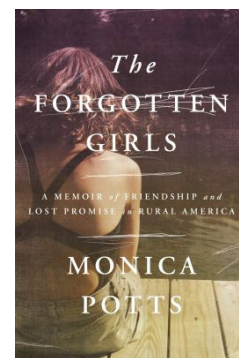
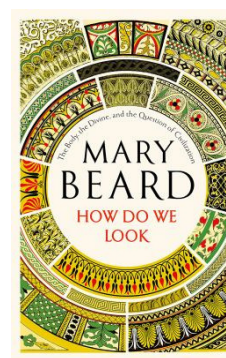
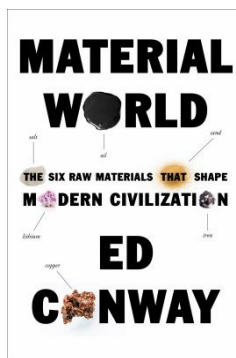
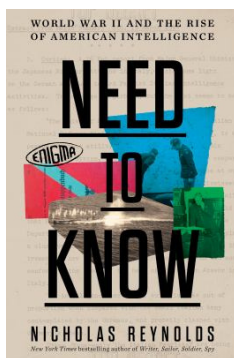
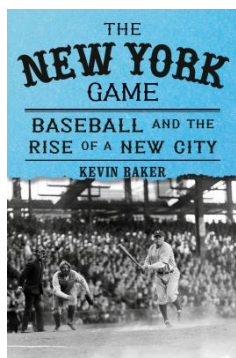
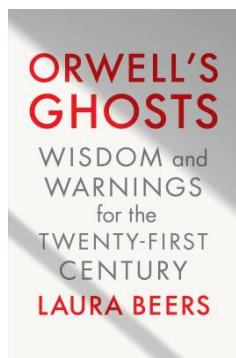
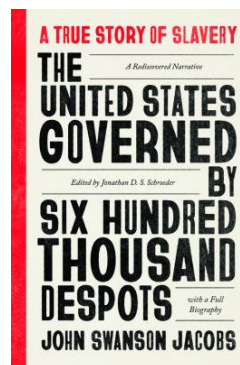
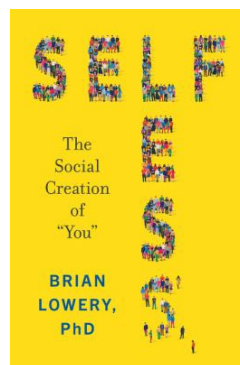
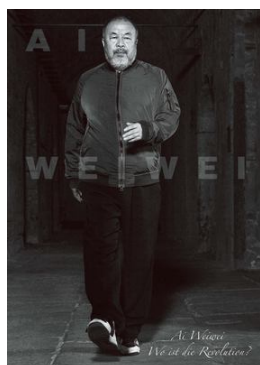
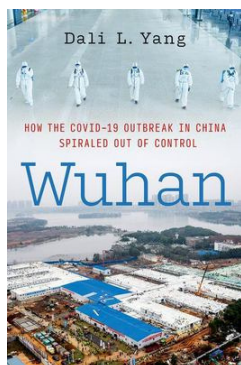
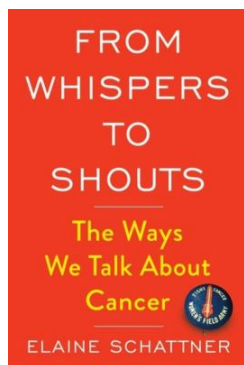
We also design and test library classes during the summer, exploring innovative approaches to make instruction engaging and effective. Professional development is a priority; we catch up on webinars and workshops to expand our knowledge and expertise. We take time to update the library website, improve accessibility to our vast array of electronic resources, and improve our library-curated subject-specific webpages.

Alongside these essential tasks, we reserve time for creativity. Our 3D printer provides a chance to experiment with new technologies, enabling us to assist students and faculty who wish to incorporate 3D printing into their work.

This summer, we're thrilled to play in the Green Light Studio, which houses two state-of-the-art recording areas. The one-button studio offers a user-friendly space for producing high-quality videos, podcasts, or presentations. Meanwhile, the light board studio provides a unique environment to record presentations alongside visual demonstrations.

Despite the misconception of summer being a slow season, the library remains a hub of learning and discovery. By remaining proactive during these months, we ensure our library continues to serve the campus community with top-notch services and resources.

New Books



Click the book cover for more info

Looking for more new books?



We have an entire [LibGuide](#) devoted to new books in the library. You may find the [New Books by Department](#) particularly useful!

Quick Reference

Renfro Library Hours

Summer

Mon - Thurs 9am-5pm

Friday 9am-2pm

Saturday & Sunday Closed



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