

RENFRO INFO

The Official eNewsletter of Renfro Library



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Kevin's Corner

Welcome to Fall 2023! In this issue you will read about new faces on the library staff, new games to check out and play in the Renfro, new resources provided by JSTOR, and our new 3D printer (which needs a name, by the way). Walk into our group study rooms and you'll see new whiteboards.



Also, if you search for books, ebooks, or media from the library homepage, you will see a new engine "under the hood," so to speak. We welcome you to come by and grab a cup of coffee – we have in-house mugs, or you can bring your own – and to have a chat with us. Let us know how we can help you do your work better here at MHU.







Welcome to Fall '23!!

Welcome Susan!



Susan Carleton joins MHU with over 15 years' experience in library service, including public and university libraries. She grew up on (and in) the Chesapeake Bay before moving to Ireland and then to Florida, where she earned her M.Ed. in Literacy Education at Southeastern University and became a school librarian in Polk County middle schools, next door to Universal Orlando's Diagon Alley. Now, home is in East Tennessee, where she studies autoethnographic cryptozoology, reads xianxia past midnight, and enjoys game nights with her delightfully neurodivergent grown children.

Although her teaching certificate expired years ago, she still keeps her pockets filled with candy and stickers for anyone who recommends a good book, or tells her a story that makes her smile.

Welcome Rachel

Rachel has lived in the Black Mountain area her entire life and is excited to continue life's journey in the mountains of Mars Hill University. Rachel received her Bachelor of Arts in Literature at the University of North Carolina at Asheville, where she also developed an interest in Appalachian Literature. She then went on to get her Master of Science in Library Science from the University of Kentucky. Before starting at Mars Hill, she spent 4 years as an Assistant Librarian at Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, where she loved helping students



with their work at the circulation desk. In her free time Rachel sews and crafts costumes for events she attends with her friends and playing escape rooms.

Database Spotlight



JSTOR is one of our core databases and has recently updated to include archival access to approximately 1,600 additional journal titles, the JSTOR Primary Sources Collection, and the Global Plants Database. For those of you who may be new to the database, JSTOR is a digital library of academic content in many formats and disciplines. The collections include top peer-reviewed scholarly journals as well as respected literary journals, academic monographs, research reports from trusted institutes, and diverse primary sources. JSTOR contains the full-text of more than 4,660 journals from 1,000 publishers, with publication dates ranging from 1665 to 2023 (for certain titles). Journals are available in more than 60 disciplines in the humanities, social sciences, and sciences and mathematics. JSTOR contains more than 169,000 ebooks from academic publishers. The ebooks work just like journals, offering unlimited use and DRM-free chapter downloads in PDF format. Images on JSTOR are contributed by partnering institutions like universities, museums, and community and private collections.

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3D Printing

Over the Summer the Renfro Library acquired a Bambu Carbon X1 3D printer! The Bambu Carbon is known for its speed, quality prints, and user-friendly nature. The library staff have enjoyed printing many different critters as they have learned about 3D printing. There have been some growing pains when doing the initial installation, as they accidentally printed a hexadecapus instead of an octopus.

The staff has become much more efficient with printing and has successfully printed articulated dragons and tools that aid with the printing process. There has also been a request for a larynx for instructional purposes!

If you have any ideas about how 3D printing could be integrated into your work, please email LIBRARY-STAFF@mhu.edu. The library currently has many different colors of PLA filaments to choose

from. Check out the new 3D Printing <u>LibGuide</u> to see what is available. This guide also details the new printing policies and procedures.

We encourage you to stop by often as we are getting new filaments and please come into the library to play with some of the samples!







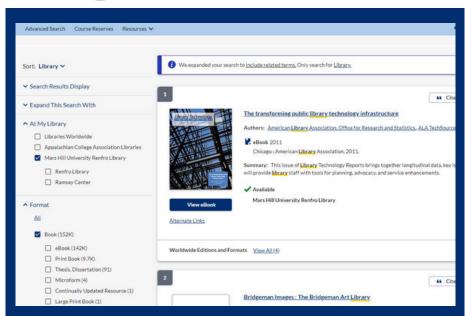
Games in the Library



We aren't playing around! We now have board games available for checkout and <u>use in the library!</u> Games include Shogunate, One Night Ultimate Alien, Among Thieves, Munchkin Deluxe, Ticket to Ride, Superfight, Tiny Towns, Culture Tags, Liberte, Throw Throw Burrito, Zimby Mojo, Robots: Battle for the Coal Heart, Kulture Karaoke, Queen's Architect, Growing Up Black Memes, Make It Happen, and Forbidden Island.

New Catalog and LMS

You may have noticed a new look when searching for books and eBooks. Over the summer we transitioned to a new catalog provided by WorldCat. We hope this catalog is cleaner to look at and easier to use. There are still facets on the left side so you can narrow or broaden your search.



Don't forget!

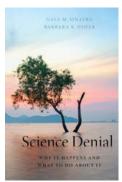
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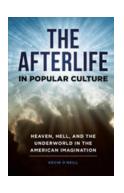
Borrowing material from other libraries will be easier too. Look for the "Request item through InterLibrary Loan" button on the right.

New Print Books

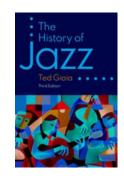






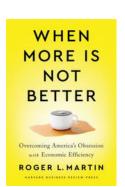




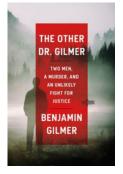


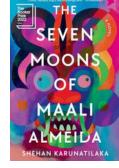


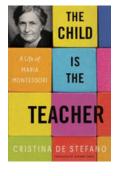




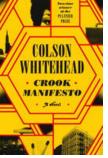


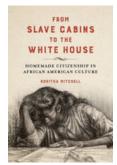


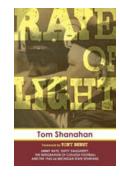












Looking for more new books?



We have an entire <u>LibGuide</u> devoted to new books in the library. You may find the <u>New Books by Department</u> particularly useful!

Quick Reference

Renfro Library Hours

Mon - Thurs 8:30am-10pm Friday 8:30am-5pm Saturday Closed Sunday 3pm-9pm



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