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Summer exhibits at the Libraries:

7/31-8/28 Boardw

Boardwalk Empires, Robeson

Library

Through 9/15 "Heaven, Hell,

"Heaven, Hell, or Hoboken!": New Jersey in the Great War,

Alexander Library

Through 12/22 Records at

Records at Play: The Institute of Jazz Studies @50, Express

Newark

Cover photos, clockwise from upper left: Robeson Library*, Smith Library*, Performing Arts Library\$, Art Library\$, Dana Library\$, Alexander Library\$, Carr Library*. Credits: *Nick Romanenko, ¥Ed Berger, \$Mo Daud, "Megan Lotts, "Jessica Pellien, ±Roy Groething.









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Expanding Collections, Improving Discovery

n the last issue, I wrote that the Libraries' priorities have shifted, thanks to feedback from Rutgers students and faculty, to focus on collections and discovery. What this means is that we have been hard at work not only adding new resources, but also making it easier for our users to find and connect to the content that we already have available.

In the spring semester, we added the complete **Elsevier** back files, providing online access to the articles published before our current subscriptions for 2,286 different journals ranging from medicine and dentistry to the social sciences. With more than 32,000 full-text article downloads in the first six months of usage, these resources have proven incredibly popular—and their acquisition helps further align our collections with those of o

Krisellen Maloney, vice president for information services and university librarian.

their acquisition helps further align our collections with those of our peers in the Big Ten Academic Alliance.

Changes to our website and library systems provide simpler and more streamlined access to our resources. Over 14.2 million ebooks are now discoverable through a single search box, with more soon to be added. We also reduced the number of keystrokes required to access an article or book, increased the availability of full text, and began a process to incorporate more accurate and intuitive language throughout our systems.

We hope that these changes have helped you to do your best work. As always, we welcome your feedback as we continue to make improvements.



Rutgers Future Scholars use Legos at the Art Library to learn about teamwork and libraries, summer 2016. Photo credit: Megan Lotts.

Supporting the Rutgers Community at All Stages

he Libraries proudly support programs at Rutgers that are designed to enrich the experiences of students before, during, and after their time at the university.

At Rutgers—New Brunswick, reference and instruction librarian **Jill Nathanson** leads the New Brunswick Libraries' participation in the Rutgers Future Scholars Program, an initiative that helps children from disadvantaged communities in the university's host cities become first-generation college students.

Nathanson, along with data librarian Ryan Womack,

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Second Round of OAT Project Grants Opens in October

Due to a fantastic response to our launch of the Open and Affordable Textbooks Project, applications for a second round of grants will open in October. Twenty



faculty or instructors will receive \$1,000 to replace an existing textbook with freely available, open educational, or library-licensed resources. For more information, visit libraries.rutgers.edu/open-textbooks.

George Segal Art Coming to Robeson Library

Among several of Segal's works that were recently donated to Rutgers—Camden, *Parking Garage* will be installed in the library lobby this summer. His *Restaurant*



Scene, pictured, is now on display at the new Rutgers—Camden Welcome Center.

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Small Bytes from around the Libraries

Obana Library celebrated its 50th anniversary as a Federal Depository by hosting 50 mini-sessions to promote open access government information ● Our Shared User Services Department reports that in 2016, we added 840 student theses and dissertations to RUcore ● Jersey Collective: The First Two Years was on display at Robeson Library in June ● The New Brunswick Libraries partnered with the Office and the Institute of Jazz Studies paid tribute to our longtime former colleague Ed Berger with an exhibit of creative works of over 50 students at Arts High School in Newark titled Art and Jazz: A Tribute to Ed Berger • 3 The Libraries welcomed a delegation of Japanese librarians and publishers, touring them through our Digital Curation Research Center in Alexander Library • [] Incoming executive vice chancellor of Rutgers-Newark Sherri-Ann Butterfield spoke at our Spring Town Hall about the Libraries' collaboration on the Honors Living-Learning Community, Express Newark, and the P3 Collaboratory at Dana Library • Digital humanities librarian Krista White was awarded a \$10,000 Rutgers–Newark Chancellor's Seed Grant for her proposal of the Digital Storytelling as 21st-Century Pedagogy (DS21P) course suite • © The New Brunswick Music Scene Archive in Rutgers Special Collections and University Archives hosted a screening of The Last Bastions of Rock including a Q&A with director Fritch Clark • 🕕 The Rutgers Art Library exhibited works by undergraduates in the Department of Landscape Architecture's Environmental Planning Studio • 1 Head of access and delivery services Janet Brennan Croft presented at the Buffy at 20 conference at Marquette University • (1) Librarian of Congress Carla Hayden visited Robeson Library during Rutgers-Camden's commencement.

Supporting the Rutgers Community at All Stages (continued)

works with Future Scholars between their second and third years of high school.

In their weeklong internship, the students tackle projects such as gamification of library instruction—last summer's group created an activity called "Decoding a Mystery at the Alexander Library" that was later used for transfer student orientationsand visit with library faculty and staff.

"I love giving the students exposure not just to a university setting, but also to an array of career opportunities that they may not have considered," Nathanson said.

And since most Future Scholars go on to attend Rutgers, an added benefit of the

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program is how it situates them for success when they return as undergraduates.

"They become comfortable at the library and so are not afraid to ask for help," she said. "It's a huge advantage."

At Rutgers-Newark, business librarian and information literacy coordinator Roberta Tipton teaches an academic research workshop for the Honors Living-Learning Community (HLLC), a program that brings nontraditional students together to address social issues like poverty and inequality.

While the workshop covers fundamental skills such as using databases,

it is ultimately designed to help students apply scholarly concepts in ways that will enrich their community engagement.

'HLLC students are leaders," Tipton said. "I think it is very important that the library helps them understand how their growth as scholars will support their growth as leaders?

But the Libraries' commitment to Rutgers students doesn't end when they graduate. Alumni are always welcome to borrow from our collection of over 4 million volumes, enjoy on-site access to our electronic resources, or consult with a librarian to satisfy their information needs.

Rutgers University Libraries Welcome New Leadership

new leaders to the Libraries. Effective August 7, Dee Magnoni will join us as assistant vice president for information services and director of the New Brunswick libraries.

Our New Faculty and Staff

Katherine Gomez, Library Assistant, Alexander Library

Wei Huang, Library Assistant, Alexander Library

Dee Magnoni, Assistant Vice President for Information Services and Director, New Brunswick Libraries

Stephanie Mikitish, User Engagement and Assessment Librarian, Dana Library

Jordan Nielsen, Business and Entrepreneurship Librarian, New Brunswick Libraries

Mary O'Mara, Unit Computing Manager, New Brunswick Libraries

Victoria Wagner, Associate Director and Medical Education Coordinator, Robert Wood Johnson Library

In this role, Magnoni will provide leadership for 15 libraries and centers across Rutgers-New Brunswick, including Special Collections and University Archives. She will develop a vision that

is innovative and focused on excellence in research and student success, working closely with campus stakeholders to ensure that the collections, services, and spaces of the New Brunswick libraries continue to contribute to the mission and success of the university.

Magnoni comes to Rutgers from Los Alamos National Laboratory, where, as library director, she led a team of professional library faculty and staff, directed the strategy and vision of the library, and collaborated on institutional and library projects.

"The New Brunswick libraries will benefit greatly from Dee's strengths and experience in leadership, collaboration, creative problem solving, and strategic planning," said Krisellen Maloney,

Dee Magnoni.



Victoria Wagner.

vice president for information services and university librarian.

In April, Victoria Wagner joined us as the associate director and medical education

coordinator for the Robert Wood Johnson Library of the Health Sciences.

In this role, Wagner leads efforts to integrate technology, online- and curriculum-based instruction, and evidence-based practice to support medical education, residency training, research, and patient care

Wagner comes to Rutgers after 18 years at William Paterson University as the access services librarian and head of lending services.

'I look forward to working closely with Victoria to develop our biomedical information services and facilities in support of the robust academic, clinical, and research programs at

RBHS," said Judith Cohn, assistant vice president for information services and director of the health sciences libraries.