

Issue 22 – Fall 2015

Library for Tomorrow: A Strategic Plan



Last year was one of planning for many at SUNY Oswego, including the library. As part of our strategic planning process, we reached out to department chairs, program chairs, and students to hear about your experiences and suggestions. We learned much about what the library's primary user groups think we should focus on as we work to build on our strengths and address the challenges of the future. Thank you to all who participated!

We have worked hard to ensure that our new plans and goals are well aligned with the college's plan *Tomorrow*, as we see ourselves as important partners in advancing student and faculty achievement and success.

Here is a preview of some of the major themes that will be included in our plan:

- Enhance information resources and learning technologies, and assist with their use.
- Improve sharing of, and access to, our unique Special Collections archives, including college history artifacts.
- Equip students with critical literacies for lifelong learning.
- Improve promotion of our resources and services. (We discovered a troubling lack of knowledge about what we already do!)

We look forward to sharing our final plan with you via our website very soon!
– *Barbara Shaffer, Library Director*

Media Relocation Project

Visit our new media area near the second floor service desk. During the summer we have been busy rearranging and reorganizing various media collections to create a more open and inviting location, where you can access all of the tangible media, including: popular movies, educational DVDs, books on CD, language learning materials, and the music CD collection. – *Kathryn Johns-Masten*

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Streaming Media—Kanopy and Docuseek2

Penfield Library now subscribes to [Kanopy Streaming](#). Kanopy is a video streaming solution for colleges with a broad catalog of over 26,000 films from over 800 leading producers, such as PBS, Media Education Foundation, and HBO. You can browse their collection by subject on Kanopy's website.



We also have begun to purchase licensed streaming titles from Docuseek2, starting with 10 titles that span a number of subject areas. You can find a list of Docuseek2 titles by searching Docuseek2 in the online catalog on the [library homepage](#). Both Kanopy and Docuseek2 can be found on the [re-search guides](#).



As we begin to build our collection in this new format, we welcome suggestions, comments, and questions. Please contact your [librarian subject liaison](#). – *Deborah Curry*

Website Updates

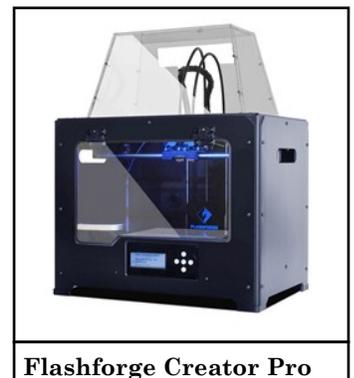
Does the library website look a little different than you remember? In mid-August, we switched the library website to the new campus website look and feel. Your old links and bookmarks should still get you where you want to be, but things will look a bit different when you land on each page.

We also have some new content for you throughout the website, including updates to our pages about [multimedia production and technology](#), better organized [About the Library](#) and [Services for Faculty](#) pages, and more. We will conduct usability tests during the fall semester, and we're always interested in your feedback. If you have ideas or concerns about the library website, contact [Emily Mitchell](#). – *Emily Mitchell*

New Technology

Over the summer, Penfield Library, in conjunction with Campus Technology Services, replaced the 16 computers in Classroom 1 with brand new Dell Optiplex 7020 desktops. These machines are equipped with an Intel Core i7 processor, 8GB of memory, and solid state hard drives for increased performance. Per the campus lab standards beginning this summer, our computer labs now feature Windows 7 64Bit, which allows the machines to make full use of all their resources, particularly memory. This allows for much faster response for faculty and students making use of this classroom. With these updates, this lab will now be one of the most advanced on our campus.

The library is excited to announce the addition of a brand new 3D printer to go along with the existing one. Our original printer is a [Makerbot Replicator 2](#). The new printer is a [Flashforge Creator Pro](#), and the most exciting new feature it comes with is dual extruders. While most 3D printers can only create objects using one color of material, a dual extrusion printer can use two different colors at once in the same object. The new printer also has a heated build plate - the platform to which it prints - which will be helpful in getting objects to print correctly during Oswego's cold winters!

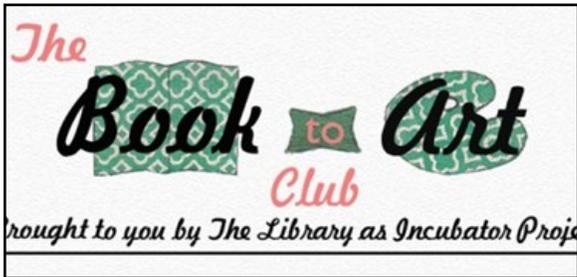


Flashforge Creator Pro

The 3D printers are available to everyone in the campus community, for class projects, personal projects, or just for exploring. You can use special software to design something you'd like to print, or you can get started easily by finding something you'd like to print on [Thingiverse](#), a free website to upload designs. Be sure to check out [files set up for dual extrusion](#), too! More information is available on the [Makerbot-3D printing request form](#). – *Matt Brooks & Sharona Ginsberg*

Book to Art Club

Do you love to read and make creative projects? Now is your chance to combine the two by participating in the [Book to Art Club](#)! The goal of the Book to Art Club is to find hands-on, creative ways to engage with literature - where the process of art making is more important than the product!



Read the selected book and bring a creative project based on the book's themes. Creative projects will be on display at Penfield Library for one month. This event is free and open to SUNY Oswego students, faculty, and staff. No experience in art making necessary.

The Book to Art Club meets in Penfield Library Classroom 2. Come and go as you wish. – *Tina Chan*

Dates and titles for Fall 2015:



Tuesday, September 15

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Liar & Spy, by Rebecca Stead

Tuesday, November 3

5:00-6:00 p.m.

We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves, by Karen Joy Fowler

Read about this [2015 ORI selection](#)

Library Exhibition and Display Schedule

View Penfield Library's exhibitions and displays that feature student artwork.

Front Hallway Gallery:

- September-October: Photographs by Peter Cardone's students
- November-December: Photographs by Julieve Jubin's students

1st Floor Displays Under Staircase:

- September: Goals, Purpose, Success (student organization)
- October: Dr. Lewis B. O'Donnell Media Summit
- November: Thanksgiving
- December: Christmas/winter

1st Floor Display Next to Computer Lab:

- September: De-stress with the table tennis team
- October: Great Lake Review
- November-December: Blackfriars Theatre Organization

From Tyler Art Gallery

Unbelievably, the second year of Tyler Art Gallery's stint on the second floor of the library is already upon us. The transition has been smooth overall and we're looking forward to an exciting Fall 2015 line up of exhibitions.



Donna Sharrett
Just Breathe, 2012 (DETAIL)
36 x 36 inches
Courtesy of the artist and Pavel Zoubok
Gallery, New York

First up is *Origins: Tradition & Innovation* (9/4 – 10/4). This show explores contemporary art that has a connection to traditional forms, craft, and folk art. Featured will be thirteen artists working in a variety of media, and includes quilts with photographic and other narrative imagery, a highly sculptural Adirondack rustic chair, and a mailbox made from a tuba. The exhibit illuminates the ways in which artists incorporate outside cultural influences and is in part intended to cause the viewer to question the difference between “high art” and “low art”, “fine art” and “craft”. The show includes works from regional arts institutions, SUNY Oswego's permanent collection, and lent by the artists. A Richard S. Shineman Foundation grant will allow us to make the exhibition more accessible to local K-12 students. Featured are artworks by Steve Bowers & John Monroe, Lauren Bristol, Mike Cousino, Sue Ellen Herne, Zeke Leonard, David MacDonald, Fred Morgan, Faith Ringgold, Donna Sharrett, Veronica Terrillion, Kara Walker, Rudolph Wiesel, and Patricia Kennedy-Zafred.

The reception is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, 5-7pm with cellist Matt Haimovitz performing a specially commissioned short “overture” by contemporary composer Du Yun along with Bach's Cello Suite #2 at 5pm. Haimovitz's choice of folk-influenced repertoire and his preference for casual, non-traditional venues makes him the perfect performer to help us celebrate *Origins*.

The annual Art Department Faculty Exhibition (10/17 – 11/15) returns to the Oswego campus after a 2014 collaboration with the Art Association of Oswego and a showing at their Fort Ontario location. Despite busy teaching schedules and other commitments, the art faculty remains remarkably creative and professionally active. This annual exhibition is often the only chance locally to view works by Oswego's art faculty artists. Providing an opportunity to meet the artists, a reception will be held on Friday, October 23, 5-7pm.

The final show of the semester (11/24 – 12/11) recognizes culminating efforts by graduating Oswego BFA and MA students with a reception on Friday, December 4, 5-7pm. At this stage of development, young artists are willing to take creative risks leading to exciting and provocative artwork. – *Michael Flanagan*

Outstanding Student Worker Award

In April, the Northern New York Library Network honored Garrison Kingston, Penfield Library Student Assistant, with an Outstanding Student Worker Award. Garrison has worked at the library since 2011 and graduated in May. He was nominated for this award because of his leadership skills as Student Supervisor, his excellent customer service attitude, and the way he served as a role model for all of the library's student workers. Although most frequently seen at the Check Out/Reserves Desk or shelving books, Garrison was always willing to help with special activities like the library book sale. Congratulations, Garrison! – *Barbara Shaffer*



l to r: Barbara Shaffer, Garrison Kingston, and Paula Dowdle

Rep Your Hall: Penfield Library Challenge

Rep Your Hall: Penfield Library Challenge is back! Taking place on August 23-29, this event is an experiential learning activity intended to be the first step in easing the transition of new students to the college library. The residence hall with the most new students to complete the challenge wins a trophy! Students can also win individual prizes for “best of” categories! Please encourage students to participate in this fun and educational event. Contact [Michelle Bishop](#) if you have questions. – *Michelle Bishop*



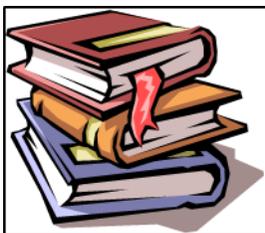
From the Writing Center

Writing tutoring will be provided in Penfield Library rooms 302, 303, 305 & 306. Here is the schedule for fall 2015 tutorial services: Mondays through Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Fridays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sundays 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. These hours will depend on tutor availability. Students can view the complete schedule and make appointments by visiting the [Writing Center Web site](#). In addition, tutors are available for walk-in assistance during the week; go to the Writing Center site to see walk-in availabilities. The tutors provide sensitive and constructive help with essay planning, organization, development, and revision. The Writing Center presently employs a tutoring staff of 16 undergraduates, 1 graduate student, and 1 professional. Instructors across the disciplines are encouraged to request a classroom visit by a tutor; tutors can share information about the Writing Center’s services and respond to any questions.

In addition, online writing tutoring is available. SUNY Oswego is among many SUNY colleges that are part of the STAR-NY (Sharing Technology & Academic Resources) consortium. All students enrolled in participating institutions have free online access to tutors Sunday through Thursday, 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Students with papers will go to the [online tutoring website](#). Visit the site to find out when online tutoring begins and ends for the fall semester.

The Writing Center will continue to sponsor its Write Ways Series of weekly workshops during the fall semester. These workshops are presented by staff and faculty from Penfield Library, the Writing Center, and various academic departments. They are free and open to all interested students, staff, and faculty. The workshops cover a variety of helpful topics, such as avoiding plagiarism, writing influential personal statements, using internal punctuation marks, writing for the biological sciences, writing effective emails, using APA style, using Chicago style, and writing tips and strategies for in-class essays. Workshops are scheduled Friday afternoons from 3:00 to 4:00 in Library Classroom 2. Detailed information for the workshops will circulate on flyers, posters, digital signage, and the oswegodaily-list digest.

The campus community should contact Steven Smith with requests or questions about writing tutoring or the Write Ways Series. He can be reached at 312-3762 or steven.smith@oswego.edu. – *Steven Smith*



Family and Friends Weekend Book Sale
Saturday, October 24, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Library basement
Used books and media at low prices!

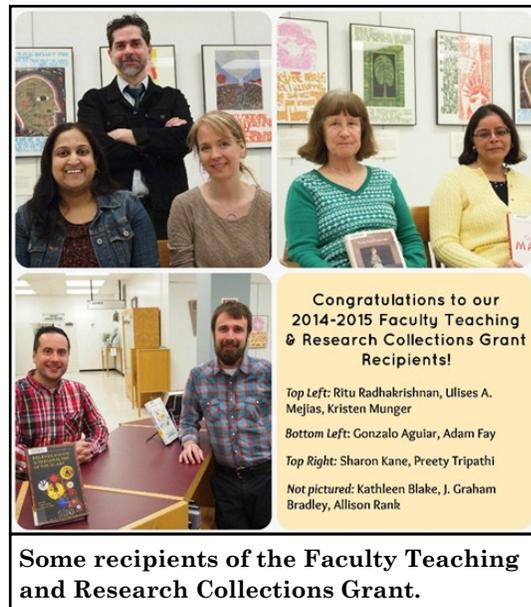


Faculty Teaching and Research Collections Grant

Penfield Library, for the fourth year, awarded its Faculty Teaching and Research Collections Grant to 11 teaching faculty members. Grants of \$400 each were awarded to faculty in April to support their research interests or program/course curriculum needs. Faculty were asked to write a short rationale for the material requested. The material purchased serves to enhance the collection in the chosen subject areas. Each title received a distinctive label with the faculty name and department. – *Deborah Curry*

Congratulations to the 2015 grant recipients!

- Kathleen Blake, Anthropology
- Graham Bradley, Atmospheric and Geological Sciences
- Ceylan Cizmeli, Psychology
- Adam Fay, Psychology
- Sharon Kane, Curriculum and Instruction
- Gonzalo Aguiar Malosetti, Modern Languages and Literatures
- Ulises Mejias, Communication Studies
- Kristen Munger, Counseling and Psychological Services
- Ritu Radhakrishnan, Curriculum and Instruction
- Allison Rank, Political Sciences
- Preety Tripathi, Mathematics



From the Archives and Special Collections

Special Collections was privileged to host an intern during Spring 2015. One of her accomplishments was creating our latest virtual exhibit: [Student Life 1950-1989](#). We hope you enjoy viewing the images and perhaps reminiscing.

If you've published anything lately (books, book chapters, musical compositions, articles, reviews, etc.), please consider donating a copy to the library to be included in the [Display to Archives Program](#). You will be honored at a luncheon on Quest day (April 13). Faculty scholarly and creative works are displayed in glass cases near the Check Out/Reserves desk, then added to Special Collections. If you wish to contribute, please send items by December 31 to your [librarian subject liaison](#), [Special Collections librarian](#), or the [library director](#). – *Elizabeth Young*

Library Instruction Sessions

If you are teaching a class that has a research project, please consider contacting your [librarian instruction liaison](#) about working with your students, or request a library instruction session by completing a [library instruction request form](#). Librarian instruction liaisons can also help develop research guides and work with you and your students in online classes. For all faculty, please remember the library has online resources that may be added to your courses or linked in Blackboard, including [research guides](#), [Lake Effect Research Challenge](#), [video tutorials on YouTube](#), [support for distance learners](#), and [technology for students](#). – *Karen Shockey*



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Food for Fines

Penfield Library is once again sponsoring Food for Fines, which allows you to pay for overdue books and unpaid fines with food donations. Donations will be accepted November 2-25 at the Check Out/Reserves Desk, and given to the Human Concerns Food Pantry in Oswego. Each food item will cancel \$1.00 or less in fees.

Only pre-packaged, unopened food in cans, boxes, or plastic jars will be accepted. (Please no glass, perishables, or damaged/expired items.) If faculty or staff members would like to donate, it would be appreciated. For further information, ask at the Check Out/Reserves Desk or email cirdesk@oswego.edu. Let's help make this a happy Thanksgiving for the less fortunate! – *Ray Morrison*

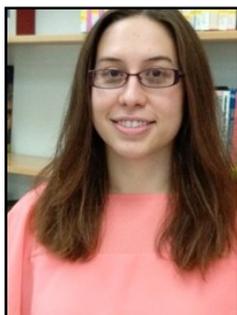
Librarian and Staff News

Penfield Library welcomed **Sharona Ginsberg** in June as the new Learning Technologies Librarian. She is responsible for supporting student scholarship and learning by maintaining the library's current learning technologies and further expanding its offerings. Some of the services and tools in her domain include the library's 3D printers, digitization technologies, multimedia production rooms, multimedia workshops, and more. She will also provide library instruction to the English department, as well as purchasing items for the library's collection for the English and Communication Studies departments.

Previously, Sharona lived in Michigan and worked as an Instructional Technology Consultant at the University of Michigan. She has her Masters of Information with a specialization in Library and Information Science from the University of Michigan's School of Information. Sharona also founded and coordinates an online community called MakerBridge, which explores the maker movement, especially with regards to libraries and schools. Her work on this recently earned her recognition as a [*Library Journal Mover & Shaker*](#).



Sharona Ginsberg,
Learning Technologies
Librarian



Cristin Bowman,
Evening Student
Manager

Cristin Bowman started at Penfield on April 16 as the Evening Student Manager. She previously worked for the pharmacy that provided prescription medication to the statewide prison system. The library is a big change from the department of corrections. Says Cristin, "It sure beats prison!" Cristin thinks the library has a lot to offer, including an extensive media selection, saying, "This job is a great opportunity to interact with the students." Cristin likes to set an example for the student workers on how to be a successful employee. Cristin will soon move to a day position in Access Services, continuing her work with student workers and volunteers.

Happy retirement to **Carrie Izzo**! Carrie worked in Access Services as our Student Assistant Manager. We miss her already.

Mike Paxton will be joining us on August 31 as our new Resource Sharing (Interlibrary Loan) Librarian. Look for more details on Mike in our spring newsletter.



Carrie Izzo, Retired/Former
Student Assistant Manager

Fall 2015 Calendar of Events

- Fridays, 3 p.m.-4 p.m., September 4-November 20 — Write Way Series workshops, Classroom 2. See page 5 for more information.
- August 23-29 — Rep Your Hall: Penfield Library Challenge. See page 5 for more information.
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- November 3, 5 p.m.-6 p.m. — Book to Art Club, Classroom 2. Read *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves*, by Karen Joy Fowler. See page 3 for more information.
- November 24-December 11: Bachelor of Fine Arts and Master of Arts Exhibitions, Tyler Art Gallery, 2nd floor. See page 4 for more information.
- Finals week — Extended hours and free coffee for finals, Lake Effect Café.
- December 31 — Display to Archives fall deadline for faculty and staff to submit scholarly and creative works. See page 6 for more information.

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