



# Re: DEFINING UVIC LIBRARIES

## PERSONAL LIBRARIAN PROGRAM

This September, UVic Libraries has launched a new Personal Librarian Program to match each first-year student with an individual librarian to serve as their point of contact with our libraries. The personal librarian can help students find their way around the libraries, assist with research, answer library-related questions, and more. By developing a Personal Librarian Program our goal is to promote student academic success and retention.

## COMMUNITY LIBRARY CARD

We are pleased to announce that community borrowers no longer have a \$50.00 annual fee to acquire a library card. We invite community borrowers to make use of our rich resources.



## NEW RE:QUEST DELIVERY FOR FACULTY

UVic Libraries provides a new delivery service to assist UVic faculty with their research. Re:Quest delivery will retrieve library resources for faculty and deliver them directly to their office. We look forward to your Re:Quests! Visit our website for more information: <http://uvic.ca/library/request>

## SAVE THE DATE:

- **Exhibit**

The Arts of World War I

Curated by Dr. Marcus Milwright and Dr. Allan Antliff (Art History & Visual Studies)

Nov. 2014 – Mar. 2015

Legacy Maltwood  
(at Mearns Centre –  
McPherson Library)

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- **Exhibit**

Alcuin Society Book  
Award Winners

November 3 - 28, 2014

Archives and Special  
Collections Reading Room

See the 2014 Awards for  
Excellence in Book Design  
winning titles.

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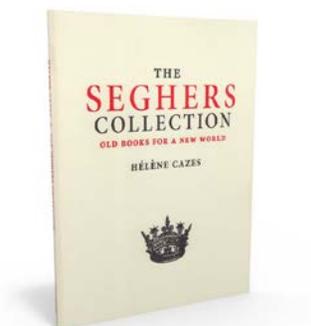
- **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the opening of the McPherson Library**

November 14, 2014

Join us for cake and  
celebrations.

September 2014

## LIBRARY PUBLICATION AWARDED PRIZE IN CANADIAN BOOK DESIGN COLLECTION



*The Seghers Collection: Old Books for a New World* by Dr. Hélène Cazes was awarded a third prize in the prose non-fiction illustrated category for the 2014 Alcuin Society Awards for Excellence in Book Design in Canada. This is the first publication under the University Libraries' imprint.

[http://www.uvic.ca/library/about/ul/publications/uvic-library-2013-seghers-book-archive\\_reduced.pdf](http://www.uvic.ca/library/about/ul/publications/uvic-library-2013-seghers-book-archive_reduced.pdf)

<http://www.uvic.ca/library/locations/spcoll/book/seghers.php>

## NEW LIBRARY PUBLICATION

Launched in September, *The Transgender Archives: Foundations for the Future* by Dr. Aaron H. Devor is the second publication under the University Libraries' imprint. The publication explains the origins and explores the holdings of the Transgender Archives at the University of Victoria Libraries. The Transgender Archives is the largest collection of transgender archival materials in the world. It is accessible to the public free of charge, and available to faculty, students, and scholars for teaching and research.



[http://www.uvic.ca/library/about/ul/publications/Devor\\_Foundations\\_for\\_the\\_Future.pdf](http://www.uvic.ca/library/about/ul/publications/Devor_Foundations_for_the_Future.pdf)

<http://transgenderarchives.uvic.ca/>

# COLONIST DIGITIZATION PROJECT

The Colonist project is an ambitious effort to celebrate and further the study of provincial history by digitizing the historic British Columbia newspapers known as The British Colonist, The Daily Colonist, and other variants. Every issue from the first in 1858 through 1980 (when the Daily Colonist merged with the Victoria Times) are being scanned and made freely available on the web. Approximately 170,000 pages have been scanned to date, with another 580,000 yet to be done.

*“Contemporary newspapers give us history on the fly. They are essential to our understanding of the past, and are used by professional researchers and amateur historians – and everyone in between – to flesh out the skeletons of history.”*

*Dr. Dave Obee, Times Colonist Editor-in-Chief*

The project began as a collaboration between the Times Colonist newspaper, the University of Victoria Libraries, and a consortium of British Columbia libraries to commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the British colonist newspaper in 2008.

It entered its second phase in 2013, when work was undertaken to digitize the period from July 1910 through December 31, 1920, with partial funding provided by the University of Victoria History department.



Digitization of the years 1920 through 1940 is currently underway by the University of Victoria Libraries. Work on subsequent decades is already in the planning stages with additional funding being sought.

The University of Victoria Libraries contributes resources, maintains the search interface, and hosts the project to bring together content and technology to enable knowledge creation and dissemination for research.

<http://www.britishcolonist.ca/index.html>

## AWARDS AND RESEARCH GRANTS

### LAW LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD



Kim Nayer, Information Services Librarian (Diana M. Priestly Law Library) received the Law Librarian of the Year award given by the U.K. publisher Justis, “*For librarians demonstrating a progressive and informed approach to the changing world of legal information.*”

### CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF RESEARCH LIBRARIES (CARL) RESEARCH IN LIBRARIANSHIP GRANTS

Three librarians received two of the three available annual research in librarianship grants from the Canadian Association of Research Libraries. Rebecca Raworth and Lindsay Glynn (Memorial University of Newfoundland) received a grant for their project “Academic Librarians’ Potential Roles in Learning Communities to Support Student Scholarship and Research Learning Outcomes / Competencies: an Exploration Within Medical Education”; and, Shailoo Bedi and Christine Walde received funding for their project “Transforming Roles: Canadian Academic Librarians Embedded in Collaborative Faculty Research Projects,” which explores the opportunities and challenges of academic librarians embedded in faculty research teams and the researcher role within academic librarianship.



### PRESIDENT’S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Librarian Ying Liu was awarded the 2013 President’s Distinguished Service Award given to one individual each year in the category of the *First Five Years – Outstanding Service and Excellence in Service and/or Leadership Award*. The award recognizes outstanding contributions of faculty and staff in their first five years of employment at UVic. Ying was presented with her award at the President’s Distinguished Service Awards celebration on February 20, 2014.

