

**VCU**

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

News for Friends of VCU Libraries

April 2017

[View in browser](#)

#CREATIVESPRINT



Noah Scalin, artist-in-residence at the VCU School of Business, discusses his new book, *Creative Sprint*, at 7 p.m. April 3 in the James Branch Cabell Library Lecture Hall. To attend, please [complete this online form](#). The concept underlying the book is that practice leads to mastery and that you can practice your creativity. [More on the project, which continues with creativity exercises at Cabell Library through April 14.](#)

LibQUAL Survey seeks faculty and student input

Building on its history of improving services through better understanding of users' needs and preferences, VCU Libraries is conducting a quality survey this spring. The online survey closes April 7. "This data is extremely valuable to us," said University Librarian John E. Ulmschneider.

Save the date: June is book drive month

The Friends of VCU Libraries are trying a new approach to managing donations of books for the annual book sale. A drop-off drive will be held June 3. Pull up to our loading dock, and we'll unload your books. In addition, people requesting pick-ups of books during the month of June will receive door-to-door

“The experience and needs of our users shape our decision-making about collections, facilities, teaching and how we assist users, and helps us with short- and long-range planning.”

[More on the impact of the survey.](#)

service from friendly Friends volunteers who will come to your home or office. Please mark your calendars and share with friends and neighbors. Need more information?

[Contact the development office.](#)

“It accomplishes a major goal of ours: to ensure that RPI's role in forming VCU's bedrock is remembered and memorialized.”

Joe Lowenthal (B.F.A. '55/A), chairman of the RPI Alumni Council, talking about the RPI History Wall, with its many VCU Libraries ties

News

[‘Performing Statistics’ exhibit reflects Common Book themes](#)

[Poet Gregory Kimbrell reads](#)

[Library connections abound in April 7 RPI History Wall dedication](#)

[New online gallery pays homage to comic artist great Will Eisner](#)

[Tompkins-McCaw and CHEC offer public librarians grant-funded workshop in consumer health information](#)

[Grad student posters on digital display](#)

[#vetyoursources campaign combats “alternative facts”](#)

[‘Intersections II’ on view at Tompkins-McCaw Library](#)

[Wednesdays in the Workshop returns](#)

Events

April 3: [Creative Sprint, featuring VCU School of Business artist-in-residence Noah Scalin](#)

April 3-14: [Cabell's Creative Sprint](#)

April 7: [Folger Shakespear Library Transcribathon](#)

April 13: [‘Forbidden: Undocumented and Queer in Rural North America’](#)

April 19: [Meet VCU's Authors: Poet Gregory Kimbrell \(M.F.A. '11/A\)](#)

April 20: [‘The Connection: Mind Your Body’](#)

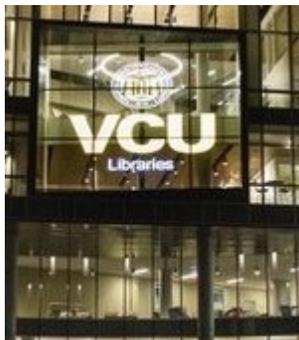
April 20: [Providing Consumer Health Information to Patrons](#)

April 25: [Open These Hallowed Doors: The Desegregation of Public Libraries in the American South](#)



Leading library historian speaks here April 25

Although civil rights historians have created a rich literature that addresses the politics of racial discrimination in education, public accommodations, housing and labor, they have a shallow understanding of racial discrimination in public libraries. Wayne Wiegand, professor of library and information studies emeritus at Florida State University, tells this untold story in *Open These Hallowed Doors*. He discusses his new book and his journey in researching and writing it 10 a.m.-noon April 25 in the James Branch Cabell Library Lecture Hall. [Register to attend](#)



See what's on the Cabell Big Screen



Stories from the Libraries blog



Follow Inside the Collections blog



[Virginia Commonwealth University](#) | [VCU Libraries](#)

P.O. Box 842033 Richmond, Va. 23284-2033

James Branch Cabell Library

901 Park Ave., Richmond, Va. 23220

Tompkins-McCaw Library for the Health Sciences

509 N.12th St., Richmond, Va. 23298

Phone: [\(804\) 828-1105](tel:(804)828-1105) | Fax: [\(804\) 828-0151](tel:(804)828-0151)

[Privacy Statement](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)

Please make checks payable to VCU Foundation with the designation Friends of the Library, New Building Fund, etc., in the memo line. Thank you.



Contact us