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](https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?u=0b75d1f0f2287f5b11d660706&id=fb8a0ccafa&e=21b7ce70a1). 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.](https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?u=0b75d1f0f2287f5b11d660706&id=fb8a0ccafa&e=21b7ce70a1)

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**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.

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**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 pickup.
“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

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**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

**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
Join in the "Creative Sprint," learn about the desegregation of Southern libraries

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