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## News for Friends of VCU Libraries

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### The Workshop gears up for first academic year of services and community-building

"Our goal is to build a community of people who can connect and learn about old and new technologies together," says Innovative Media Department Head Eric Johnson. Open houses and Wednesdays in the Workshop sessions are set. Find the high-tech center on the Lower Level at James Branch Cabell Library.

[Details about the space and plans for 2016-17](#) (Photo: Makerspace)

### Thanks, donors, for record year for philanthropy

On June 30, VCU Libraries closed the books on private funding for the fiscal year with \$766,294 in gifts and pledges from 803 donors, double the previous number of givers. Thank you!

### Public tours set for summer and fall

In response to community and campus interest in Cabell Library, tours (usually offered only to faculty and students) are now scheduled for the public. Sign up.

*"Students ... see the library as a gathering place, a place to exchange ideas. The library is a magnet for those who want to expand their knowledge and focus their thoughts."*

*Friends of VCU Libraries Board President  
Stephanie Lawson Holt (B.S. '74/E)*

## News

[Fines for overdue books lifted](#)

["Virginia Currents" features Fulton community's oral history project](#)

[First Novelist recipient named](#)

[Tompkins-McCaw sets annual Real Life noon film series](#)

[See It All: Three eye-related exhibits at Tompkins-McCaw on view until September](#)

[Enter "Rams Reaching Out" contest](#)

## Events

**Oct. 27-31:** Book sale

**Nov. 2:** [Sanger Series: "Mind Wars: Brain Science and the Military"](#)

**Videos from 2015-16 events:**

[31st Brown-Lyons Lecture](#)

[Cabell Library Grand Opening](#)

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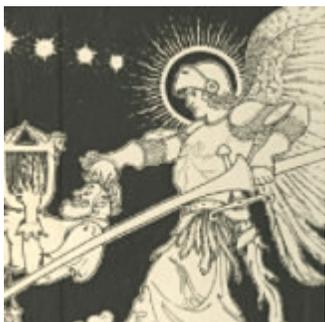
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[Sanger Series: Conflicts of Interest](#)



Quiet and collaborative study guidelines refined

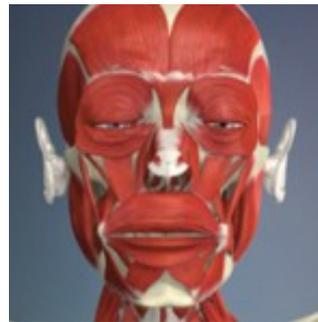
Cabell Library's new open and airy design provides inviting new work spaces. Because of the open design, sections of the library will never be as quiet as were some former "silent" spaces. Etiquette and guidelines for the third and fourth floors have been updated to "quiet." Previously, the fourth floor was designated "silent." Now, only some areas behind glass doors are designated for silent study. [Details](#)



"Man of Letters & Libraries" Exhibit



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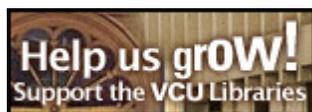
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