Spring 2016: Our biggest event season

This spring semester, events sponsored by VCU Libraries or held in library spaces attracted a record-breaking 8,100 attendees. This is only 1,000 shy of the 9,100 people who attended library events during the entire 2014–15 academic year. With some 50 events, 35 of which were held in the new Cabell Lecture Hall, we kept extraordinarily busy. Highlights include the grand opening of the new library, Dr. Jack Spiro's final Brown-Lyons Lecture and comic artist Keith Knight's Black History Month Lecture using cartoons to reflect on U.S. political violence. Explore the spring 2016 event season and find links to videos and more. Explore highlights from the spring 2016 event season and find links to videos and more.

VCU staff and faculty give or pledge nearly $40,000

Virginia Commonwealth University's faculty, staff and retiree giving campaign officially ended May 15. All VCU and VCU Book Sale is coming: Save the dates, Oct. 27-31

After a successful one-day "pop-up" sale in the spring semester that raised $5,000, the full annual Friends of VCU Libraries book sale
Health employees and retirees were encouraged to participate by giving any amount. During that campaign, VCU Libraries had a 36 percent participation rate. Thanks to all who gave.

“Now is the time to separate your individual VCU interests and support the library for the good of all students, faculty and community members.”

John Jay Schwartz (B.S. ’69/B), retiring Friends Board member

**News**

**Teresa L. Knott sworn in as president; others play key national roles for Medical Library Assn.**

**Fan District Association honors Cabell architecture**

**Seen at Cabell: "Fall Line" bench planning moving forward**

**Virginia Supreme Court's "Bringing Down Jim Crow" exhibit features VCU digital collections**

**Virtual library and cross-cultural global program fights addiction**

**Enter "Rams Reaching Out" contest**

**VCU Cabell First Novelist semifinalists announced**

**Events**

**Save the date:**

**Oct. 27-31:** Friends of VCU Libraries Book Sale

**Videos from spring events:**

**31st Brown-Lyons Lecture**

**Cabell Library Grand Opening**

**Print+Web 1: Illustration, Typography, Graphic Design**

**Print+Web 2: Texts, Publishers, Books**

**Sanger Series: Intellectual Property and the Academy**

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Welcome to the new Library Stories blog. We’ve launched this communications platform to make it easier for donors, alumni, Friends of VCU Libraries and friends in RVA to stay updated. Many posts are brief, insider snapshots such as "What I’m Working On," "Overheard in the Library" and "Seen in the Library." Look for "Why I Give" features and Q&As and features about interesting people and their projects. We’ll also share news items that appear in other VCU publications, including our own Library News Center and VCU News. Have ideas or questions? Contact Sue Robinson, communications and public relations director, at srobinson26@vcu.edu.
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