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News for Friends of VCU Libraries

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Cabell Big Screen debuts for fall semester

[James Branch Cabell Library's](#) new outdoor screen is showing art, animation, video, photographs and information about scholarship and people from throughout the VCU community. The screen overlooks the Compass and sits above the library's entrance. Planned early exhibits include scientific illustrations from Special Collections and Archives, Richmond Mural Project images and work by alumni, faculty and students. [The screen has been installed with the hope to intrigue, inspire and inform](#) the tens of thousands of VCU community members who pass by daily. The new blog, "[On the Cabell Screen,](#)" will keep you updated on what's showing. You can watch from afar on the [Cabell webcam](#).

VCU Libraries at halfway point on \$1M match

[VCU Libraries has reached the halfway point](#) in its quest to raise \$1 million in new gifts and pledges by June 30, 2017, to [meet the](#)

Mark your calendars and tell your friends

Please spread the word. The [annual Friends of VCU Libraries fall book sale](#), Oct. 27-31, will have weekend hours for the first time. Also new,

challenge issued by the Cabell Foundation. As of Aug. 8, VCU Libraries has raised \$501,149 from 128 generous donors.

book lovers interested in the Oct. 27 preview sale can pay the \$100 Friends membership fee required for entry on the spot.

“Donors find their way to us because they understand how vital the library is to the core purposes and needs of the university and its faculty and students.”

*Director of Development and Major Gifts
Kelly Gotschalk (B.F.A. '90/A; M.A. '97/A) on being halfway to \$1 million goal*

News

[The Turner House earns Cabell First Novelist award](#)

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[Community welcome at 10 a.m. Sept. 16 talk on U.S. Constitution](#)

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

[See It All: Three eye-related exhibits at Tompkins-McCaw closing soon](#)

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Events

Save the date:

Sept. 15, noon-1 p.m.: [Real Life Film Series: "Alive Inside: A Story of Music and Memory"](#)

Oct. 27-31: [Friends of VCU Libraries Book Sale](#)

Nov. 2, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.: [Sanger Series: "Mind Wars: Brain Science and the Military"](#)

Nov. 18, noon-2 p.m.: [Copyright for Creators](#)



Library center stage in campaign launch events

On Friday, Sept. 23, VCU offers a myriad of experiences and learning opportunities as part of the official start of the Make It Real Campaign for VCU. Two public programs will be held in the Cabell Library Lecture Hall.

The Big Draw: Q&A with Comic Artist Alumni, 1-2:30 p.m, **Charles Vess** (B.F.A.'74/A) and **Reilly Brown** (B.F.A.'03/A). Vess' work has appeared on the covers of Marvel and DC publications as well as in books and art galleries. Brown's comic arts titles include *The Amazing Spider-Man*, *The Incredible Hercules* and *Deadpool*.

In Real Life: A Conversation with Distinguished VCU Alumni, 7-8:30 p.m., brings together TV news anchor **Aaron Gilchrist** (B.S.'03/H&S), novelist **David Baldacci** (B.A.'83/H&S; H.L.D.'01), artist **Tara Donovan** (M.F.A.'99/A); surgeon **Tom Scalea, M.D.** (M.D.'78/M) and health policy leader **Marilyn Tavenner** (B.S.'83/N; M.H.A.'89/AHP) to talk about their careers and their alma mater.

[Details and registration](#)

*Image: From *The Cats of Tanglewood Forest*, by Charles Vess*



"Man of Letters & Libraries" exhibit



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