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Faculty Newsletter



On March 10th, the University Libraries (UL) and Western History Collections (WHC) welcomed award-winning author LeAnne Howe, Eidson distinguished professor of American Literature at the University of Georgia, for a reading and celebration of the accessibility of her papers at the WHC as part of its new Contemporary Native American Authors collection.

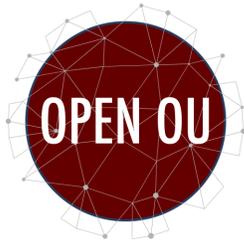
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News and Announcements

University Libraries Announces Alternate Textbook Grant Awardees

The University Libraries congratulates the [2022 Alternative Textbook Grant awardees](#). The OU Libraries' Alternative Textbook Grant (ATG) incentivizes instructors to abandon costly course materials in favor of those available to their students for free.



Contact Open Educational Resources Librarian [Morgan Briles](#) for more information, or visit [our website](#).

New Database: Shakespeare's Globe on Screen

The Libraries recently purchased [Shakespeare's Globe on Screen](#), providing access to 30 productions of works by Shakespeare and his contemporaries. It also features performances from celebrated actors such as Mark Rylance and Stephen Fry.

Scholarly Communication Taskforce Update

After a listening tour presenting highlights of its report [Finding the Balance](#) to university stakeholders, the University Libraries Committee's Scholarly Communication Taskforce is set to return to Faculty Senate this month and report on their progress since March 2020. Taskforce members will also provide recommendations on next steps to ensure an open and sustainable system of scholarly communication at OU.

Considering publishing an article in an Oxford University Press journal?

If you are submitting an article to an Oxford University Press journal, remember that you can make your article *open access at no additional charge* thanks to a 2022-2024 OU Libraries agreement with OUP. Questions? Contact scholarlycommunication@ou.edu.

Profiles in Open

University Libraries regularly features OU scholars publishing open access.

Bonnie Pitblado, Ph.D.



Robert E. and Virginia Bell Endowed Professor in Anthropological Archaeology

This month's [Profile in Open](#) features Dr. Bonnie Pitblado, founder and director of the Oklahoma Public Archaeology Network. Dr. Pitblado also authored the openly published articles "[On Rehumanizing Pleistocene People of the Western Hemisphere](#)" and "[The dangers of conflating responsible and responsive artifact stewardship with illicit and illegal collecting](#)." Visit her profile to read about her approach to open access and its contribution to DEI.

Research Libraries Updates

Each month, UL will provide the latest national and global news in academic research libraries and resources.

ARL Releases 2021 Annual Report

The annual report for the Association of Research Libraries is out. [Read more](#) to see how research libraries advanced learning and discovery in the past year.

AHA Compiles List of Resources on Ukraine, Russia, and the Cold War

To help teachers and researchers, the American Historical Association [released a list of resources](#) on the history of Ukraine, Russia, the Cold War, and its legacies.

Exhibits at the University Library



bell hooks Exhibit

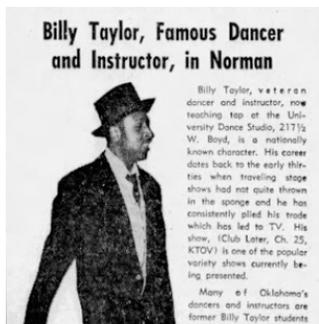
Location: Bizzell Main Floor

A giant in feminist theory and literature, bell hooks revolutionized our understanding of race, gender, intersectionality, and capitalism in her work that spanned 30 books over 40 years. Available library resources and other items commemorating bell hooks are on display through April in Bizzell Memorial Library.

Semana de Arte Moderna

Location: Bizzell Main Floor

Celebrate the centennial of the Brazilian Independence with a vibrant display of modern Brazilian art, history, and information along the exhibit space walls. On display through April.



Oklahoma Black Poets

Location: Bizzell Main Floor

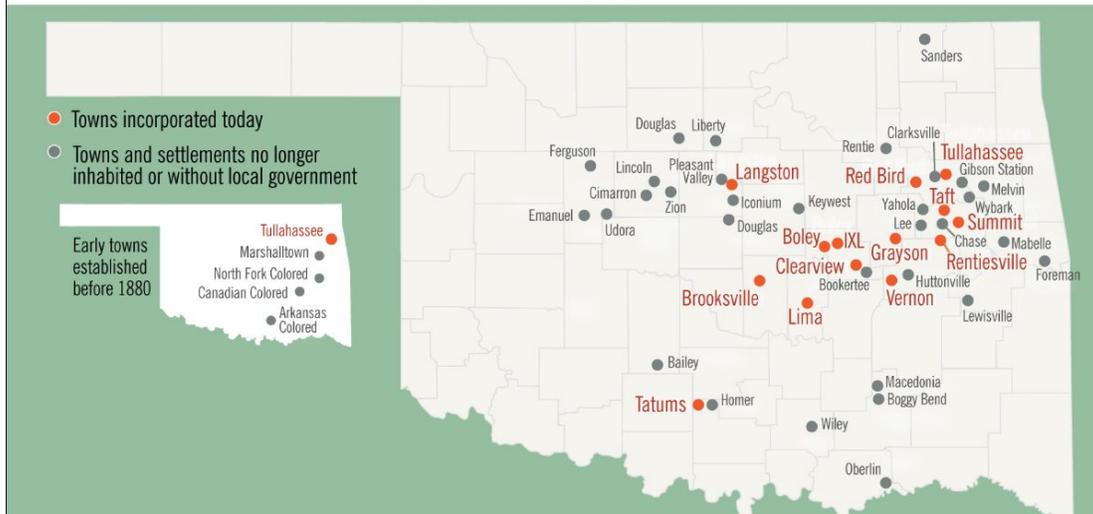
African-American writers and creatives have long been voicing concern, outrage, and even beauty in their attempts to raise social justice awareness. Because of the ubiquitous nature of Jim Crow laws and practices in Oklahoma from pre-and post-statehood, African American poets struggled to find consistent publishing opportunities in mainstream venues. However, they did find success placing work in Black newspapers throughout Oklahoma. Curated by the UL Western History Collections, the

Black Poets exhibit represents the voices of African-American writers and creatives from a number of fields and walks of life.

Oklahoma Black Towns

Location: Bizzell Main Floor

In partnership with Dr. Kalenda Eaton, Associate Professor, African & African American Studies and director of Oklahoma Research, Black Homesteaders Project/National Park Service, and Kristal Boulden, Social Sciences Librarian, the UL presents an exhibit on the rich history of Black towns in Oklahoma.



Upcoming Events and Workshops

For a list of all upcoming UL events, visit [our events page](#).

MATLAB for Data Analysis

March 23, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Bizzell LL123

[Registration recommended](#). MATLAB is a tool used for calculations, analyzing data, visualizing data, and many other analysis tasks. In this workshop, we will explore how to interact with the MATLAB software and how to use MATLAB for data analysis using an example data set. No experience with MATLAB is required. This is an active learning, "code-along" workshop - please use a computer with [MATLAB](#) or [GNU Octave](#) installed. [The curriculum](#) is available at the Carpentries site.

Star Party

March 29, 8:30 - 10:00 p.m., South Entrance of Bizzell

We'll bring out the telescope and binoculars for some star gazing just outside the south entrance of Bizzell! If weather prevents us from viewing the night sky, cancellation notices will be posted on OU Libraries' [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#). Telescope, binoculars, and other star gazing tools are available for checkout at the main circulation desk in Bizzell. Visit the main circulation desk at or call (405) 325-3341 to book this item in advance.

Questions, comments, or concerns? Please contact [Amanda Schilling](#) or [Theo Acker](#).

Repetitive Tasks in R

March 30, 2:00 - 4:30 p.m., Online

[Registration required](#). This workshop is an active learning "code-along" overview of how to automate repetitive tasks while programming in R. Please bring a computer with [R](#) and [RStudio](#) (suggested) installed. **Prior experience coding in R is required**, i.e., most of the code in [lessons 1-4 in Data Carpentry with R](#) or [lessons 1 and 4-6 in Software Carpentry with R](#) should be familiar to you. Novices to R should attend [Data or Software Carpentry](#) instead. The curriculum and code from past workshops are [available online](#).



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