The Samuel Proctor Oral History Program Events

PUBLIC TALKS AND BOOK-SIGNINGS

World War II Vets Tell their Stories
Monday, November 10, 2008 – 6:00 p.m.
Pugh Hall Ocora
Testimony of War: World War II Vets Tell Their Stories. Presentation of a documentary about the lives and experiences of four US prisoners of war in the Pacific. Followed by roundtable discussion with veterans moderated by Prof. Julian Pleasants. Limited Seating, call 352-392-7168 for tickets and information. Accompanied by an exhibit "Soldiers on Leave" at the Matheson Historical Museum featuring materials on loan from Camp Blanding (Nov. 1-15). Contact Jessica at 352-378-2280 for exhibit information.

Veterans Day Celebration
Tuesday, November 11, 2008 – 10:00 a.m.
Veterans Day Celebration at Kanapaha Park on Tower Rd.
The Samuel Proctor Oral History Program will host information and archival booth. Call 352-392-7168 for further information.

Florida Black History: Where We Stand in the Age of Barack Obama
Tuesday, March 17, 2009 – 6:00 p.m.
University of Florida Smathers Library (East)
Room 1A, First Floor
A panel discussion followed by audience question and answer. Speakers to be announced.
Sponsored by the Samuel Proctor Oral History Program, the George A. Smathers Libraries, the Alachua County Historical Trust and Matheson Museum, Inc., and the University of Florida

For more information on this and other events, contact Roberta Peacock, Samuel Proctor Oral History Program, 352-392-7168 or visit http://www.history.ufl.edu/oral/

Florida Museum of Natural History Events

FLORIDA MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

ButterflyFest
October 18 and 19, 2008 10 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
ButterflyFest offers something for everyone! Throughout the weekend, all ages can participate in fun and educational activities, including take-away crafts for children, informative workshops and demonstrations on conservation and attracting butterflies and other pollinators. Take part in a special field trip or tour and shop for unique butterfly and garden gifts. Visit **www.flmnh.ufl.edu/butterflyfest**

A Great Debate
Sunday, November 2, 2008 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Join Barbara Purdy, award-winning author and UF professor of anthropology, as she discusses her latest book, *Florida's People During the Last Ice Age*. Learn about new technologies and knowledge that offer insight on the continuing mystery of Florida's first humans. Book signing will follow.

TRASHFORMATIONS: Trash to Treasure
Thursday, November 13, 2008, 5:00 – 9:00 p.m.
See how area middle school, high school and college students transform 'waste' into recycled art! Winning entries from the 10th Annual Transformations show will be displayed in the Florida Museum through Nov. 25. Co-sponsored by the Alachua County Office of Waste Alternatives.

Fight and Flight
Sunday, December7, 2008 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
See the truth with your own eyes. Not only do butterflies undergo metamorphosis and travel great distances, they also exhibit interesting and aggressive behavior. Join McGuire Center Collections Coordinator Dr. Andrei Sourakov to view and discuss several of his short films about Lepidoptera.

Everglades Double Feature
February 7 – May 31, 2009
Experience the awe-inspiring yet fragile Everglades with two exhibits produced by the Florida Museum. *These exhibits are free and open to the public.*

ForEverglades: Photos by Clyde Butcher & Jeff Ripple
Large format photography by these two well-known artists captures the beauty of the Everglades landscape. Witness their journey through the "River of Grass" as they seek its essence.

Alien Attack: Target Everglades
Plants and animals from all over the world threaten the Everglades. Discover how the top 10 exotic invaders are overrunning the landscape in this live animal exhibit.

Collectors Day
Saturday, January 24, 2009 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Help us celebrate the 30th anniversary of Collectors Day! This unique event features personal collections ranging from "Star Wars" figures and antique cars to sports and war memorabilia. Visit with local collectors and discover that you don't have to be a scientist to love collecting. For more information call (352) 273-2061.

Earth Day
Saturday, April 18, 2009 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Enjoy live performances, games and eco-friendly craft activities hosted at the Florida Museum and the Harn Museum of Art. Find out about local conservation efforts and how you can get involved while you celebrate the Earth and discover how going green can be easy and fun.

2008-2009 Schedule of Events and Exhibits

Free and Open to the Public

- George A. Smathers Libraries
- Florida Museum of Natural History
- The Samuel Proctor Oral History Program

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ANNOUNCING: The Library – Museum Sunday Speaker Series in Florida History

Sunday afternoons at the Florida Museum of Natural History

The Founders of Florida Audubon and the Fight to Save Florida's Birds

Sunday, February 15, 2009 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Pre-Talk Event: Join us at 1:30 p.m.
UF Librarians will be on hand at 1:30 before the talk to show paintings and illustrations of Florida's exotic birds from the Florida History and Rare Books collections.

Leslie Poole

Talk and Reception 2:30 p.m
Join us for a program with Leslie Poole (Adjunct Professor in Environmental Studies, Rollins College). In the PBS documentary *In Marjorie's Wake*, Poole shared her interest in the life of Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings. In this talk she introduces us to her latest research on the history of the plume trade in Florida. The battle to save Florida's birds from plume hunters led to the founding in 1900 of the Florida Audubon Society – a group of men and women whose work brought the conservation movement to the state. Talk and PowerPoint presentation begins at 2:30 p.m. in the museum classroom. Followed by reception and refreshments.

Archie Carr: The Man who Saved Sea Turtles

Sunday, March 22, 2009 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Pre-Talk Event: Join us at 1:30 p.m.
UF Librarians will be on hand at 1:30 before the talk to show sample materials from the Archie Carr Collections in the UF Manuscripts Collections

Frederick Rowe Davis

Talk and Reception 2:30 p.m
Come meet Frederick Rowe Davis (Associate Professor, Florida State University), author of *The Man who Saved Sea Turtles: Archie Carr and the Origins of Conservation Biology* (Oxford University Press) and learn more about these incredible animals and of Prof. Archie Carr's crusading efforts to protect them. More than any other individual, Carr was responsible for the international conservation of sea turtles through his efforts with the Caribbean Conservation Corporation. This illustrated talk provides a thorough introduction to Archie Carr and the turtles he strove to save from extinction. Talk and PowerPoint presentation begins at 2:30 p.m. in the museum classroom. Followed by book signing and refreshments.

The Art of Painting Florida's History – an Afternoon with Jackson Walker

Sunday, April 19, 2009 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Pre-Talk Event: Join us at 1:30 p.m.
UF Librarians will be on hand at 1:30 before the talk to show examples of sketches and artwork from the collections of the P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History.

Jackson Walker

Talk and Reception 2:30 p.m.
Come meet Jackson Walker, artist-in-residence, Museum of Florida Art (DeLand). Jackson's paintings of Florida history, embodied in his Legendary Florida collection, are featured at museums and historic buildings across the state. He will present a PowerPoint show of his work and discuss how he recreates important episodes from Florida's past. Don't miss this chance to visit with Florida's award-winning master painter. Talk begins at 2:30 p.m. in the museum class room. Followed by reception and refreshments.

Free and Open to the Public. All talks will be held at the Florida Museum of Natural History in the museum classroom. Pre-program events, featuring materials from the P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History and the Manuscripts Division, George A. Smathers Libraries, begin at 1:30 p.m. Talks begin at 2:30 p.m. with book-signings and food and refreshments at 3:30 p.m. Call James Cusick at 352-273-2778 for additional information.

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Marston Science Library Events

Happy 200th Birthday Darwin!

February 2 – 27, 2009
Marston Science Library First Floor
Come see shells from Red-Footed and Giant Tortoise, large predatory snails, and various mollusca, all indigenous to the Galapagos Islands, on loan by the Florida Museum of Natural History. A model of the HMS Beagle and an oil painting of Darwin will also be on display, on loan from Dr. Bill Leonard.

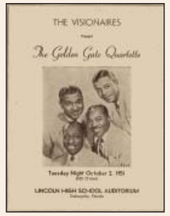
Elegance of Science Reception

February 19, 2009 4:30 – 6:00 p.m., open to the public
Marston Science Library, 2nd floor
Sponsored by Marston Science Library and its partners, the Health Science Center Libraries, UF Architecture and Fine Arts Library, and the UF Alumni Association
For additional information visit http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/msl/art/

Department of Special and Area Studies Collections Exhibits – Smathers Library (East)

Reflecting on our Past: Records by and about People of Color

February 2 – March 2, 2009
Smathers Library Exhibit Gallery, 2nd Floor
In celebration of Black History Month



"For this is an enchanted land:" Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings and Florida

March 9 – April 3, 2009
Smathers Library Exhibit Gallery, 2nd Floor
To coincide with the Annual Meeting of the Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Society (March 19-21, 2009).

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