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 1905 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.

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 classroom. 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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George A. Smathers Library Department of Special & Area Studies Collections

Gallery Exhibits – Smathers Library (East)
First and Second Floors

Pop-up, Spin, Pull, Fold: Toy Books from the Baldwin Library
September 3 – October 31, 2008
Smathers Library Exhibit Gallery, 2nd Floor

Thursday October 2, 2008 Events and Dedication
1:00 pm
Dedication of Historical Marker for the Baldwin Library of Historical Children’s Literature, Courtyard outside Smathers Library

1:30 pm
Kyle Olmon, Paper Engineer. “How to build a Castle: Contemporary Pop-up Book Production with a Look at the Past,” Smathers Library Events Room 1A (First Floor)

2:30 pm
Exhibit Viewing and Reception, Smathers Library, Second Floor Lobby and Gallery

3:30 pm
Hands-On Workshop with Kyle Olmon, paper engineer, Smathers Library, Room 1A.
Limited Seating. By Pre-registration Only. Contact rmith@ufl.edu to register and for supplies list.

Buttons, Badges, and Bumper Stickers: 160 Years of Presidential Campaigns
November 3 – December 10, 2008
Smathers Library Exhibit Gallery, Second Floor

Sponsored by the Stewards of Florida History and the UF Department of Political Science (Political Campaigning Program)

Monday, November 3, 2008 Events
2:00 pm
David Colburn, historian and author, will speak on his new book From Yellow Dog Democrats to Red State Republicans covering Florida’s political trends and its place in national politics.

Smathers Library Events Room 1A, First Floor

3:00 pm
Reception, Exhibit Viewing, Commentary by John Owen Clark, Exhibit Designer. Smathers Library, Second Floor Lobby and Gallery

Book Signing with David Colburn, From Yellow Dog Democrats to Red State Republicans: Florida and its Politics since 1940.
Thanks to Goerings Book Store (www.goerings.com) for their assistance.

Cuba, Past, Present and Future
January 9 – January 23, 2009
Smathers Library Exhibit Gallery, Second Floor

Sunday, January 11, 2009
2:00 pm
Exhibit Opening and Reception, Smathers Library, Second Floor Lobby and Gallery

Watch Cuba’s history on screen with John Owen Clark, Smathers Library, Second Floor Lobby and Gallery

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