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Welcome

Dear Friends,

Booth Library welcomes you to our latest traveling exhibit, Harry Potter’s World: Renaissance Science, Magic, and Medicine. It is with great pleasure that we open our doors to visitors to explore the medieval context of the world of Harry Potter. This exhibit offers an exciting opportunity for muggles and medievalists alike to discuss the historical roots of the topics found in this popular series of books by J. K. Rowling.

This traveling exhibit comes to us from the National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health, the world’s largest medical library. The historical materials highlighted in the exhibit come from the collections of the History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine. Selected portions of rare texts on alchemy, medicine, zoology, botany, and other Renaissance sciences that serve as a basis for some parts of the world of Harry Potter are collected for you to examine. We invite you to view other historical texts through Early English Books Online, a resource available on the Library’s website.

Whether your interests lie with incunabula or incantations, we hope you enjoy the exhibition and that you participate in the programs offered during the exhibit. Scholars from the fields of literature and medieval studies, anthropology, journalism, tourism research, and library science will be offering their unique perspectives on Harry Potter’s world. I extend thanks to my colleagues who are participating in exhibit programming, our local exhibit curators, the faculty and staff of Library Services, and our educational partners at Eastern Illinois University and area libraries.

Enjoy your flight and return with your friends.

Best wishes,

Allen Lanham, Ph.D.
Dean of Library Services
Wednesday, October 14, 2009

Opening Reception
7:00 p.m.
Booth Library Marvin Foyer

Opening Program
7:30 p.m.
Booth Library West Reading Room
Welcome
Allen Lanham, Dean of Library Services

Greetings
Blair Lord, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Recognition of Faculty Presenters and Curators
Joe Gisondi, Associate Professor of Journalism
Chair, Library Advisory Board

Closing
Dean Lanham

Refreshment Table
Pumpkin Cookies, Every Flavor Beans, Licorice Wands, Crisps, Butter Beer Punch

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Character, Structure, Perspective . . . and a Castle: A Medievalist Reads Harry Potter
David Raybin, Professor, English

This semester, Dr. Raybin is teaching an upper-level English course on J. K. Rowling. His initial motivation for developing the course was that students requested it, but Rowling’s popularity was not the only stimulus. Dr. Raybin is excited about teaching Harry Potter because the books are plotted brilliantly, styled superbly, and because Rowling is an exceptionally sympathetic observer of people and society. In this presentation, he will explore some of the literary qualities that make Harry Potter worth studying at an advanced level. He will also consider the characteristics that make the world of Hogwarts especially appealing to readers interested in the Middle Ages.

David Raybin teaches English at Eastern Illinois University, where he was named Professor Laureate in 2002. A medievalist, he is (along with his wife, Susanna Fein) editor of the academic journal *The Chaucer Review: A Journal of Medieval Studies and Literary Criticism*. He has published many articles on medieval subjects and edited three books on Chaucer: *Chaucer: Contemporary Approaches* (2009), *Closure in the Canterbury Tales: The Role of the Parson’s Tale* (2000), and *Rebels and Rivals: The Contestive Spirit in The Canterbury Tales* (1991).

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Thursday, October 15
Noon Booth Library E-Classroom

**Early English Books Online**
Karen Whisler, Professor, Booth Library

Invoke the moderne magick of Early English Books Online to reade bokes aboute the philosopher’s stone and other maruaylous thinges. Explore geomancie, legerdemaine, herbes, dystyllacyon of waters, materia medica, menstruums and alkahests, hoplocrisma-spongus, prophesies, spirits, divinations, dragons, basilisks and certayne other beasts. Opene arcane tomes holding the hidden secretes of Nicolas Flamel, Ambrose Parey, Albertus Magnus and other maysters of occult philosophie and phiskye that Madame Irma Pince would be proud to place on the shelves of the Hogwarts library.

Karen Whisler is the head of Collection Management Services at Booth Library and serves as subject bibliographer for chemistry, communication studies and English. She holds an M.L.S. degree from the University of Hawaii and an M.A. in English from Eastern Illinois University. She was previously employed in libraries at McKendree University, Illinois State University and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Monday, October 19
4:00 p.m. Booth Library Conference Room 4440

**Reading Circle**
Moderated by Booth Library Staff and Faculty

All are invited to attend an open discussion on Harry Potter. Whether you’ve read all of the books, a few books, watched the movies, or just want to learn more, you are welcome to join the conversation.
Tuesday, October 20
7:00 p.m. Booth Library Conference Room 4440

Magic, an Anthropological Perspective
Don Holly, Assistant Professor, Anthropology

The magic of Harry Potter’s World is pure fantasy, but other magic is not. Many people believe in the power of a coin tossed in a fountain to help realize a wish or the ability of a rabbit’s foot to make luck. Indeed, this sort of magic constitutes reality for a great many people around the world. This presentation examines humankind’s widespread belief in magic, explores the logic by which it is thought to work, and attempts to explain it.

Don Holly is assistant professor of anthropology at Eastern Illinois University. He received his B.A. from Penn State and his Ph.D. from Brown University. Dr. Holly teaches a broad range of courses at Eastern, including introduction to anthropology, native American cultures, hunters and gatherers, human evolution, and the archaeology of the earliest civilizations. His research focuses on the archaeology of the island of Newfoundland and the Eastern Subarctic, and the intellectual history of research on hunters and gatherers.

Thursday, October 22
7:00 p.m. Booth Library Atrium

Game Night
Coordinated by Janice Derr, Instructor, Booth Library

Video games, trivia, card games and board games, all Harry Potter themed, of course, will be available for your entertainment and enjoyment. Have a wizard’s duel on the Nintendo Wii, or challenge a member of the EIU Harry Potter Club to a trivia contest. You can also join a Hogwarts Checkers match or a game of Harry Potter Clue.
Saturday, October 24
10:00 a.m. Ballenger Teachers Center

Muggle Children’s Day with Harry Potter
Sable Harp, Intern, Ballenger Teachers Center, Booth Library

Welcome, welcome, welcome to Booth Library’s Children’s Day with Harry Potter, where parents and children have a chance to be a Hogwarts student for a day. Come join us in Hogwarts Hall for your house sorting and engage in story time, crafts, and a special Quidditch match in the Library Quad.

The schedule for the day is as follows:

Story Time and Crafts
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Ballenger Teachers Center
Children ages 3-6 accompanied by an adult are invited to listen to a story and participate in a seasonal craft activity.

Hogwarts Hall
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Ballenger Teachers Center
Children ages 7-13 are invited to “Hogwarts Hall” to be sorted into their houses. Monster Book writing and crafts will follow.

Quidditch Practice
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Library Quad
All ages are welcome to participate in a Quidditch practice session. The rules have been modified for muggles, so those without brooms are welcome.

Sable Harp is a student in her senior year at Eastern Illinois University. She hopes to continue her studies of children’s literature. She is interested in library science, with a focus on public libraries. For the past two summers, Sable designed and taught a Harry Potter camp for children at Lewis and Clark Community College, Godfrey, Illinois.
Friday, October 30
3:30 p.m. Booth Library Conference Room 4440

The Awakening of a Renaissance Spirit: Finding Harry Potter
Betsy Pudliner, Assistant Professor, Family and Consumer Sciences

This workshop will demonstrate a correlation between Leonardo da Vinci, Joseph Campbell’s *A Hero’s Journey*, Harry Potter, and travel. Da Vinci and Harry Potter were on a quest to awaken their inner spirit of genius through the exploration and exposure to the world in which they inhabited. The presenter will embody this quest with the application of Michael Gelb’s seven da Vincian principles: curiositá (curiosity), dimostrazione (demonstrate), sensazione (senses), sfumato (smoke or passion to explore), arte/scienza (art and science or left/right brain thinking), corporalita (cultivation of grace, ambidexterity, fitness and poise), and connessione (inter-connectedness of all things).

Betsy Pudliner received her Ph.D. from the Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management at the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland. She is now an assistant professor of hospitality management in the School of Family and Consumer Sciences at Eastern Illinois University. She lived in Scotland for seven years, traveling extensively around the country. The Scottish landscape is one of the profound, minor characters in the Harry Potter novels. Dr. Pudliner applies the da Vincian principles, developed by Michael Gelb, every day in her professional and personal life. She believes that travel is quintessential in awakening that genius, the inner spirit.
Tuesday, November 3
7:00 p.m. Booth Library Conference Room 4440

Film - Discovering the Real World of Harry Potter (2002)
Moderated by David Bell, Associate Professor, Booth Library

This critically-acclaimed documentary explores the myths and legends that inhabit the real world of Harry Potter. Follow award-winning documentary filmmakers as they offer insights to witches, wizards, Greek gods, ancient Celts, ghosts, magical creatures, alchemy, and ancient spells. (72 minutes)

Thursday, November 5
7:00 p.m. Booth Library Conference Room 4440

Quick Quotes and Quibblers: The Role of the Media in the Wizarding World
Lola Burnham, Assistant Professor, Journalism

This session will take a look at the way the wizarding world’s mainstream media, as represented by The Daily Prophet, and fringe media, as represented by The Quibbler, covered Harry Potter and how they were influenced (or not) by the powers-that-be during and after Voldemort’s return to power. Are there lessons to be learned from Rita Skeeter and Xenophilius Lovegood about ethics and journalistic courage?

Lola Burnham is an assistant professor of journalism at Eastern Illinois University and is editorial adviser to The Daily Eastern News. She holds a bachelor’s degree in journalism and a Master’s degree in English. When she is not doing work or research for her classes in the doctoral program in mass communication and media arts at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, she reads J.K. Rowling and Jane Austen. She is happy to report that three of her four children are Potterphiles.
Wednesday, November 11  
4:30 p.m. Booth Library Conference Room 4440

The Two Sides of Harry Potter  
Jocelyn Tipton, Associate Professor, Booth Library  
Ann Brownson, Professor, Booth Library

For some, the Harry Potter series, with the stories of bravery, loyalty, and friendship, are positive influences. For others, the books present lessons and images of witchcraft and the occult that are inappropriate for young audiences. This program will examine both sides of this controversial issue. Learn about the positive influences that the Harry Potter phenomenon is having while at the same time understand the reasons why it is the most frequently challenged series in the United States. A challenge to a book represents a request to remove the book from a school or library. In some cases, the challenges result in the removal, or banning, of the book. Decide for yourself if Harry Potter is a good or bad influence.

Jocelyn Tipton is an associate professor and subject bibliographer for Political Science and Psychology at Booth Library. She holds an M.L.S. from the University of Maryland and an M.A. in political science from Eastern Illinois University.

Ann Brownson is a professor and reference librarian and also serves as the Education bibliographer at Booth Library. In addition she coordinates the Ballenger Teachers Center, a library and online resource for students, faculty, and area pre-K through grade 12 teachers. She completed a B.A. General Science and Religious Studies from Grinnell College. She also holds an M.A. in library science and an M.A. in postsecondary student development from the University of Iowa.
Concurrent Events in the Community

Harry Potter Display
Ryan Franklin, Library Director
Mattoon Public Library, 1600 Charleston Ave, Mattoon, Illinois

For the month of October, the North Reading Room at Mattoon Public Library will be home to Harry Potter themed displays and decorations. Drop in to enjoy the magical ambience. The library is open Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

EIU Harry Potter Club Meetings
Emma Walsh, President
Coleman Hall, Room 2130

Harry Potter Club is a registered student organization at Eastern Illinois University. Club meetings provide an opportunity for Harry Potter fans to meet and discuss the books and to have fun while exploring and experiencing different aspects of what the Harry Potter books and movies have to offer.

Meetings are held every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. in Coleman Hall, Room 2130. In October, stop by on the 1st, 8th, 15th, or 29th. November meetings will be on the 5th, 12th, and 19th.

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Related Exhibits at Booth Library

Life and Times of J.K. Rowling

You know J.K. Rowling as the author of the successful Harry Potter series, but what do you know about Joanne Rowling as a person? This exhibit examines Rowling’s life before and after the fantasy series launched her to stardom. Discover the life experiences that lead her to create the world of Harry Potter. Understand how she juggles the everyday demands of work, family and fame. Explore what projects lie ahead for this author now that the Harry Potter series has come to its planned end.

Jocelyn Tipton, Booth Library, curator (North Lobby)

The Renaissance World of Harry Potter

Although a work of fiction, the books in the Harry Potter series draw on Renaissance traditions of magic, science, and medicine. This exhibit invites the viewer to venture into that world and discover the roots of modern science in the 15th and 16th centuries. Learn more about prominent alchemists, botanists, and physicians from the Renaissance period and see excerpts from their works.

Stacey Knight-Davis and Jocelyn Tipton, Booth Library, curators (North Lobby)
Houses of Hogwarts

The Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry is divided into four houses: Gryffindor, Slytherin, Ravenclaw, and Hufflepuff. This exhibit showcases each house by highlighting its founders, history, values, symbols, current members, and prominent alumni.

Johna Shackles, Booth Library, curator (Marvin Foyer)

Judging a Book by its Cover: The International Cover Art of Harry Potter

The Harry Potter series is well known around the world. The titles may be the same and the stories may be similar, but the book covers are as different as the cultures and people reading them. This exhibit provides replicas of the various international editions and invites viewers to explore the differences. Are you able to tell which title it is based on the artwork? Using biographical sketches, meet the artists who are responsible for bringing the essence of each story to life on the covers.

Jocelyn Tipton, Booth Library, curator (Marvin Foyer)

Nutrition in Harry Potter’s World

Students enrolled in Nutrition Therapy through the School of Family and Consumer Sciences at Eastern Illinois University will demonstrate the importance of nutrition. Learn about the importance of portion sizes and healthy eating habits. Recipes inspired by the food from Hogwarts, Hogsmeade, and beyond are also featured.

Students from Dr. Carla Honselman’s Nutrition Therapy class, curators (Marvin Foyer)
Quidditch, Anyone?

Quidditch is a fictional game created by J. K. Rowling that is featured in the Harry Potter series. In the books, the game inspires the same level of fervor as American or European football. Learn more about the equipment and playing field for Quidditch, and read about real-life Quidditch leagues.

Jeanne Goble and Johna Shackles, Booth Library, curators (Marvin Foyer)

The Harry Potter Library

Covers from books about the Harry Potter phenomenon are highlighted in this exhibit. Topics include science, philosophy, morality, and criticism.

Johna Shackles, Booth Library, curator (Marvin Foyer)

What to Read Next

Loved Harry Potter and not sure what to read next? A group of books, that have been carefully selected to appeal to Potter fans, is on display in the Ballenger Teachers Center.

Jeanne Goble, Booth Library, curator (Ballenger Teachers Center)
Curator Biographies

Jeanne Goble is a library specialist in the Ballenger Teachers Center of Booth Library. She holds English, education, and library science degrees from Eastern Illinois University. Jeanne has interests in the arts, children’s literature, and international folklore and customs.

Dr. Carla Honselman is an assistant professor and Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) Coordinator in the School of Family and Consumer Sciences at Eastern Illinois University. She received her B.S. and M.S. degrees in home economics - dietetics from Eastern Illinois University and her Ph.D. in community health - health policy from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Stacey Knight-Davis is an associate professor and subject librarian for health studies, nursing, physics, and geology/geography at Booth Library. She holds an M.L.I.S. from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and an M.S. in Technology from Eastern Illinois University.

Johna Shackles is a library specialist in the University Archives and Reference Services at Booth Library. She holds a B.A. from Eastern Illinois University. Johna is also currently working on her M.S. in library science.

Jocelyn Tipton is an associate professor and subject bibliographer for political science and psychology at Booth Library. She holds an M.L.S. from the University of Maryland and an M.A. in political science from Eastern Illinois University.
LOCAL RESOURCES

The following list of selected print and online materials from Booth Library provides additional resources for further reading, viewing, and listening.

Analyses of Harry Potter

Books

Anatol, Giselle Liza., ed.  
*Reading Harry Potter: Critical Essays*.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z84 2003

Baggett, David.  
*Harry Potter and Philosophy: If Aristotle Ran Hogwarts*.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z69 2004

Dickerson, Matthew T.  
*From Homer to Harry Potter: A Handbook on Myth and Fantasy*.  
Stacks PN56.F34 D53 2006

Granger, John.  
*The Deathly Hallows Lectures: The Hogwarts Professor Explains the Final Harry Potter Adventure*.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z455x 2008

Granger, John.  
*Harry Potter’s Bookshelf: The Great Books Behind the Hogwarts Adventures*.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z676 2009

Granger, John.  
*How Harry Cast His Spell: The Meaning Behind the Mania for J. K. Rowling’s Bestselling Books*.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z6775 2008

Granger, John.  
*Unlocking Harry Potter: Five Keys for the Serious Reader*.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z955x 2007

Heilman, Elizabeth E., ed.  
*Harry Potter’s World: Multidisciplinary Critical Perspectives*.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z73 2003

Kern, Edmund M.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z735 2003x

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Lackey, Mercedes, ed.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z7635 2006

Manlove, C. N.  
Stacks PR149.F35 M36 2003x

Prinzi, Travis.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z833x 2009

Vander Ark, Steve.  
Stacks PR6068.O93Z889 2009

Whited, Lana A., ed.  
Stacks PR6068.O93 Z734 2002

Zipes, Jack David.  
Stacks PN1009.A1 Z57 2001

**Articles - Project Muse**

Behr, Kate.  

Billone, Amy.  

Chevalier, Noel.  

Pugh, Tison and David L. Wallace.  

Green, Amy M.  

**General Interest**

Bald, Margaret.  
Ref Z658.U5 L562x 2006
Campbell, Joseph. 
Stacks BL313.C28 2004

Fernando, Diana. 
Stacks QD23.5.F47 1998

Highfield, Roger. 
Stacks Q162.H54x 2002

South, Malcolm. 
Ref GR825 .M87 1987

**History**

**Analyses**

Greenberg, Arthur. 
Stacks QD11 .G735 2003

Stavish, Mark. 
Stacks R133.S677 2006

Ogilvie, Brian W. 
Stacks Q127.E8 O45 2006

Gesner, Konrad. 
*A new booke of destillayton of waters, called the Treasure of Euonymus containing the wonderful hid secrets of nature, touching the most apt formes to prepare & destill medicines, for the conservation of helth*. London: John Day, 1565.

Topsell, Edward. 
*The history of four-footed beasts and serpents describing at large their true and lively figure, their several names, conditions, kinds, virtues ...* London: E. Cotes for G. Sawbridge ..., 1658.

**J. K. Rowling**

**Harry Potter Series**

Rowling, J. K. 
BTC 813 R797hps

Rowling, J. K. 
BTC 813 R797hpc

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Rowling, J. K.
BTC 813 R797hpp

Rowling, J. K.
BTC 813 R797hpg

Rowling, J. K.
BTC 813 R797hpo

Rowling, J. K.
BTC 813 R797hph

Rowling, J. K.
BTC 813 R797hpd

Other Titles
Rowling, J. K.
BTC 823 R797fan

Rowling, J. K.
BTC 823 R797qui

Rowling, J. K.
BTC 823 R797ta

Juvenile
Beahm, George W.
*Fact, Fiction, and Folklore in Harry Potter’s World: An Unofficial Guide.*
BTC PR6068.O93 Z527 2005

Hill, Mary.
BTC 823 H554j

Kronzek, Allan Zola.
BTC 823.914 K926so

Prelutsky, Jack.
BTC 800 P9157w

Teaching Harry Potter
Breyer, Michelle.
BTC PR6068.O93 Z538x 2002

Perry, Phyllis Jean.
BTC PR888.F3 P47 2003

Schafer, Elizabeth D.
Stacks PR830.Y68 S38 2000

Stover, Lynne Farrell.
BTC LB1575 .S76x 2006

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Karen Beason, Administration
David Bell, Reference Services, film coordinator
Beverly Cruse, Media Services, local exhibit support
Arlene Brown, Administration
Janice Derr, Circulation Services, Game Night coordinator
Christine Derrickson, Administration
Lois Dickenson, Collection Management Services, local exhibit support
Jeanne Goble, Collection Management Services, local exhibit support, bibliography preparation, Reading Circle moderator, planning committee
Sable Harp, Ballenger Teachers Center, Children's Day coordinator, Reading Circle moderator
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Normal Schools

This locally produced exhibit from Booth Library explores the development and history of teacher training schools, known as Normal Schools. Artifacts from the nineteenth and twentieth century that exemplify differing styles and systems of education and learning will be on display, along with historical photos and documents, focusing on Eastern Illinois University and its roots.

*Exhibit opens October 2010 and runs through November 2010*

Benjamin Franklin: In Search of a Better World

The American Library Association (ALA) Public Programs Office, in collaboration with the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary, is sponsoring the traveling exhibition, “Benjamin Franklin: In Search of a Better World.” The exhibit will give public audiences the opportunity to explore and to talk about Franklin’s life, his contributions to the founding of this country, and his high standards for work, citizenship, and contribution to community. It will look at his background, his self-education, and his philosophical and religious beliefs and their effect on his work and life. It will show Franklin in the context of the eighteenth century and as a product of his times—a brilliant and rather unconventional product of his times—rather than as the venerable bespectacled and grandfatherly figure with whom we are all familiar.

*Exhibit opens January 12, 2011 and runs through February 25, 2011*
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