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NEWS | \$2.3 Million Estate Gift to Support Future Librarians and Archivists

The University of Arizona Libraries received a \$2.3 million gift from the estate of a longtime library advocate and supporter, **Katheryne "Kate" Willock**. The gift equally funds two endowments: One supports graduate assistantships for students in the UA Library and Information Science Master's

degree program, and the second creates the Katheryne B. Willock Dean of University of Arizona Libraries Chair. [Read the Arizona Daily Star's](#) interview with UA Libraries associate librarian **Yvonne Mery**, a former Willock Graduate Assistant. [Listen to Willock Graduate Assistants](#) talk about their work in Special Collections this semester.

Pictured: Associate librarian Yvonne Mery



NEWS | Collaboration with Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México

To support partnerships between the UA and Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), the Libraries is hosting a **multimedia kiosk** that offers students a virtual experience of UNAM, a distinguished public research university in Mexico City. The kiosk is located on the first

floor of the Main Library, and was sponsored by the College for Social & Behavioral Sciences. [Learn about future collaborative projects between UA and UNAM.](#)

Pictured: Kiosk ribbon cutting on April 17 with John Paul Jones III, dean of the UA College of Social and Behavioral Sciences; Claudio A. Estrada, director of UNAM Tucson, Center for Mexican Studies; Enrique Graue Wiechers, the Rector of the National Autonomous University of Mexico; and Sarah Shreeves, vice dean of University Libraries.



NEWS | New Addition to USS Arizona Collection

Were you aware that **Special Collections** sometimes acquires **three-dimensional hidden treasures**? This sword, which was donated to our [USS Arizona Collection](#), was recovered from the ship after its sinking at the attack on Pearl Harbor. It was excavated by a Navy diver before the USS

Arizona was sealed, and presented to Commander Charles A. Miller in the early 1950s. The original owner of

the sword is a mystery. Although the name of the owner was once revealed through fluoroscopy, it has since been lost. **Visit Special Collections Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.**



DID YOU KNOW? | Virtual Reality Studio

From the sciences to humanities, UA researchers from a variety of disciplines have been using immersive technologies like virtual and augmented reality. After offering virtual reality kits in our makerspace for a few years, we opened our **Virtual Reality Studio** in the Science-Engineering Library in 2017. The space is equipped with

chroma key green walls for mixed reality or multimedia effects, VR headsets, and computers. Faculty, students, and staff can use it for classes, workshops, and research, and we're open to the community as well. [Learn more about our VR studio and how to book the space.](#)

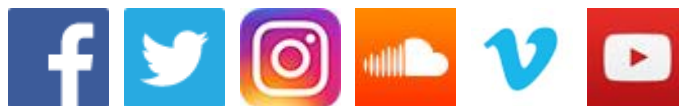


PAST EVENT | An Imperfect Rescue: Leonardo Salviati's Edition (1597) of Boccaccio's Decameron

Our spring events may be over, but you can still enjoy our audio recordings. [Listen to Professor Fabian Alfie](#) wrap up our **Early Books Lecture Series XV** with a talk on the *Decameron*, a classic work of Italian literature.



Have you considered including the UA Libraries in your will? It is simple to do and creates lasting impact for the libraries. Once you have provided for loved ones in your will, please consider including a gift of money, stock or retirement funds to the libraries. Your gift will provide a lasting tribute, while guaranteeing the libraries' long-term future. Contact Hilary Van Alsburg, Director of Development for more information. Your support is tremendously valued!



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