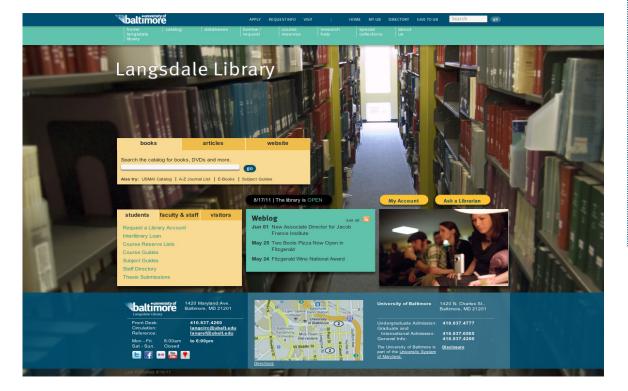
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# Library's New Websites



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he Library, like the rest of the University, unveiled its new website in August. We hope the new design will not only enhance our Web presence, but make it easier for our users to find all of the services they need to enhance and support the academic programs at UB. The Special Collections website has also been redesigned, but don't worry -- all of our digital files are still there and (we hope) easier to find.

# Lucy Holman, Library Director



Welcome back to school and to this latest issue of the Langsdale Link. As you'll see from the articles here, we've had a very busy spring and summer. Changes both physical and virtual abound at Langsdale!

We're very excited about the new spaces on the first and second floor. We hope that the open floor plan and flexible seating on the first floor will invite more people to visit the library, whether it's for a few minutes or a few hours. We responded to our users' requests for more study rooms by adding four on the second floor. We think that the recording equipment in the two existing rooms will be helpful for students preparing for presentations or interviews. And we've added new seating throughout the library, which we hope will make studying more comfortable, wherever students are.

Librarians and staff have worked countless hours on the new websites and library presence in UB's new course management system, making it even more convenient to find and access articles, course reserves and books for research or pleasure. In addition, this fall we will see more changes to off-campus access; users may now use their UB ID to log in to Research Port to access articles off-campus. We hope to hear from students and faculty about the new online offerings; we do listen and value your feedback.

This fall there are many programs and events planned, including our second Faculty Author celebration and our annual book sale. While we try to provide everything at users' fingertips with our online resources, we also want to give you many reasons to visit Langsdale. I hope you'll find this issue of the Link informative; I thank the editorial staff who are dedicated to providing information to our community. As always, I would love to hear from you about what you think. Contact me any time at lholman@ubalt.edu or 410.837.4333.

# Baltimore '68 Book Release Party



Over 75 people attended the first event of Langsdale's fall semester of planned activities.

On Thursday, September 8, the University of Baltimore celebrated the publication of *Baltimore '68: Riots and Rebirth in an American City* (Temple University Press, 2011). The book release party was held from 5 to 7 pm in Langsdale Library. Editors Jessica Elfenbein, Tom Hollowak, and Betsy Nix signed copies of their publication.

The event was sponsored by the Office of the Provost, Langsdale Library, and Barnes & Noble at UB.



photographs by Chris Hartlove

# Celebrating Faculty Scholarship

On Thursday, October 27, the library will host its biannual Faculty Authors event, honoring the book publishing accomplishments of UB faculty members. All are invited to join the library in celebrating faculty achievements. Light refreshments will be served at the ceremony.

The Faculty Authors celebration will occur in conjunction with a Publisher-in-Residence Program, October 25-28, sponsored by the Office of the Provost and the Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching. The program will be led by George F. Thompson from George F. Thompson Publishing, and will consist of both group workshops and individual sessions.

Look for details soon in the Daily Digest.

# New (and Improved) Databases, Now Available

We've added several new databases and made enhancements to our current ones:

- •Britannica Image Quest has access to more than one million rights-cleared images from over 50 collections;
- EasyBib Library Edition allows you to make citations in APA, MLA, and Chicago Style, create bibliographies and organize notes about the sources;
- •IBISWorld has over 700 detailed US industry market research reports;
- •PrivCo provides aggregated financial information on privately held companies, including revenues, private firm valuations, and private and family ownership breakdowns;
- •Criminal Justice Abstracts changed format and now includes many full-text articles;
- •eBook Collection is a database of nearly 10,000 titles individually selected for Maryland Academic Libraries;

We also added links to freely available web databases that provide helpful research information:

•Guidestar, free version, provides access to basic information of nonprofit organizations

All of these databases can be accessed on our website http://langsdale.ubalt.edu/databases



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## **Robert Shindle**

After 11 years in the Special Collections Department, Robert Shindle bid a fond farewell to Langsdale Library. Robert leaves to become the new director of the Lovely Lane Museum and Archives. Lovely Lane is the home of the American Methodist Historical Society established in 1855.

Robert began working in Special Collections as an intern when he was a student at UB. He later returned to work part-time for the Steamship Historical Society of America Collection. After the organization moved its collection back to its headquarters in East Providence, RI, Robert began working full-time in Special Collections as the University's archivist.

Although he will be greatly missed, everyone at Langsdale Library wishes Robert the very best in his new position at the Lovely Lane Museum.



# Langsdale New Display Case

The library has added a new, horizontal display case, now located in front of the Circulation service counter. You can see the case as you ascend the front stairs. Currently the display case commemorates the tenth anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

What does the future hold for the new case? The library hopes to combine its own materials with various course topics taught here at UB. This fall that would include Dr. Cheryl Wilson's Young Adult Literature course and Dr. Arnold Blumberg's Media Genres CMAT 333 course -- yes, that means a display on zombies, just in time for the haunted month of October!



# Langsdale Book Sale – A Treasure Hunt Without Leaving Campus

Langsdale Library's Annual Book Sale, known as "the treasure hunt," will be held Wednesday, November 2, from noon to 8 pm, and Thursday, November 3, from 9 am to 1 pm. Book dealers from Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C. visit each year to buy hundreds of dollars worth of books. But we don't want just these dealers to find treasures every year, we want you to join the hunt!

There's no need to buy a treasure map, just cross Maryland Avenue and look for our book sale signs.. The event is free, and even the bounty is modestly priced at \$2 for most hardback books and 50 cents for paperbacks. There are specially priced books and pre-found treasures, selling for a bit more. It's a trove for you to explore, as well as a chance to provide financial support to Langsdale Library. Don't miss this book lover's dream.



# Student Welcome Back Event at Langsdale Library

Students returning for the Fall 2011 semester will undoubtedly fondly remember last



semester's student welcome event at
Langsdale Library - where dozens and dozens
of gourmet cupcakes greeted them! More
amazing cupcakes from Iced Gems
Creations returned this semester!

This year's event took place on Tuesday, September 13, and once again, it was an overwhelming success. Over 200 students came to the Library's second floor between 3:00 and 4:00 pm for a delicious treat! While in the library some of the students took a tour of the library, learned how to get their library barcode, met some of our librarians, saw some of our new group study rooms, and even borrowed a laptop.

# **Physical Improvements**



As soon as you enter the library you'll notice that the first floor has been re-arranged to provide more computing space and a leisure reading section.

On the second floor we have added four new group study rooms.



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# >>>>>> LANGSDALE TAB IN UBONLINE < < < < < < <

Next time you look in ubonline, take notice of the new Langsdale Library tab. This tab is Langsdale Library's presence in the Sakai course management system.

The new library tab will be visible to all members of the UB community. It's a useful complement to our other web-based offerings, and will be updated on an ongoing basis. Just like the broader library website, we ask for your comments and suggestions about the Langsdale content in ubonline. Drop us a note at lholman@ubalt.edu.