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## Check Out the Library



### Innovation & Makerspace @ Cal Poly Humboldt Library

With each new year, we have an opportunity to reflect on our accomplishments and to consider the future. As we celebrate this new academic year, we recognize an important milestone: the Library is fully open this fall after being closed for two prior fall semesters. We are open again much stronger with the Seismic Retrofit of the building. So you might be wondering what is next at the Library?

I invite you to be a part of that conversation, as we continue to build the Library as the heart of the University, an inspiring place for students to learn and research, and a safe place to explore and connect ideas. We welcome your thoughts about the road ahead, and would like to share some works in progress:

- We publish over 600 authored works a year, thanks to the Press at Cal Poly Humboldt (formerly HSU Press). We teach student assistants publishing skills to support a vision of providing every student the opportunity to publish before they graduate. On the horizon, we also look forward to publishing Jerry Rohde's three-book series detailing the fascinating history of our region.
- Librarian Janet Calderon is renovating The Brain Booth, seeking your input, and exploring new ideas. Also, try out the new cycling desk that monitors your heart rate while you are reading or researching with a laptop.
- We are supporting faculty in evaluating and creating open educational resources to replace expensive textbooks that present financial barriers to student success. So in addition to providing over 1,000 textbooks on reserve, we are helping innovate free textbooks with faculty.
- The Library Makerspace has grown from pop-up to dedicated space outfitted with new 3D printers and a suite of expanded resources and services, including a VR station, music recording station, green screen room, and more.

The Library Makerspace is an important interdisciplinary active learning environment providing resources and a gathering place to imagine, explore, create, design, and iterate; along the journey, students learn collaboration and fabrication skills. This expands the opportunity for students to learn hands-on and creative skills, developing problem solving and experimentation skills, as well as design thinking and 3D modeling skills. We offer students access to the latest technologies for self-directed learning opportunities, to develop prototypes, or explore fabrication at the Library.

Cal Poly Humboldt Library is one of

the most innovative libraries in California, thanks to the dedicated library staff and faculty who collaborate to research, design, and build this interdisciplinary learning and research environment, welcoming everyone to connect people and ideas. Many of the positive changes in the Library are based in applied research, from information resource cost/use studies, to seating analysis. We actively AB Test innovative ideas at the Library. Currently, you can find three different types of monitors in the Library computer lab: futuristic curved monitors, large flat screens, and dual monitors. All are available to determine students' favorite digital displays to research with.

This fall, as Project Sponsor, I am working with three Computer Science student teams developing innovative software to address challenges in need of prototype solutions. The Humboldt County GIS Data Archive will prototype a dynamic interface that will visualize geographical data as select layers that include historical maps, photos, and GIS project data such as invasive species or hydrology reports, all from a touchscreen. The second touchscreen project, similarly inspired by the digital dissection table, is the Flora Digital Herbarium, seeking to cultivate learning and discovery



Library Dean Cyril Oberlander, AS President Juan Giovanni Guerrero, & Provost Jenn Capps at Library Ribbon Cutting Event, September 2022.

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by creating interactive 3D models of flowers or redwood trees, adding many complex layers of visual data about the plants. The third project focuses on continued development of Citing Insights, student writing assessment software designed by library student assistants in 2019.

In addition, Cal Poly Humboldt Library, in partnership with the College of the Redwoods and Humboldt County Public Libraries, is requesting federal funding to develop entrepreneurship networking and library services that strengthen partnerships with local agencies, focus on supporting underserved populations, and support an inclusive entrepreneurial and innovation ecosystem.

You are invited to explore the Library Makerspace, check out the technologies, design and create prototypes, test ideas, research, and share your projects during ideaFest. Visit [ideafest.humboldt.edu](http://ideafest.humboldt.edu) for more information. Each spring, this lively

event showcases the research, performances, digital projects, and scholarship of our University, celebrating the amazing work of this academic year.

Most recently, we celebrated the Library's seismic retrofit with a ribbon cutting. This construction enabled us to create other transformations, including a new Special Collections space, the Center for Teaching and Learning, and more. As we curate research and learning experiences, connecting people and ideas, we foster a continual innovative and inclusive Cal Poly Humboldt Library.

Thank you for your feedback, interest, and support. Please share your ideas of what the Cal Poly Humboldt Library can be, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Cyril Oberlander  
Dean, University Library

## The Press Offers Free eBook Downloads of Fiction Titles

By Sarah Godlin

The Press at Cal Poly Humboldt offers digital versions of all of our publications in PDF form, and our new fiction books (and some non fiction titles) are also made into reflowable eBooks so that they may be enjoyed on multiple eReaders and platforms. Now you can read our novels on a Kindle, phone, Nook, KOBO, on Apple Books app, or any other eBook reader. There are many free readers available for download as well. (We like Calibre: [calibre-ebook.com](http://calibre-ebook.com))

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# Two New Librarians Join the Cal Poly Humboldt Library Team

Join us in welcoming our new Librarians!

## **Amanda Dinscore** **College of Professional Studies Librarian**

Amanda Dinscore joins the Library as the College of Professional Studies (CPS) Librarian. As the Library's liaison to CPS, Amanda serves the students, faculty, and staff by providing information literacy instruction and research help, assisting faculty with collection development, and more. Originally from Texas, Amanda comes to Cal Poly Humboldt after receiving degrees from three other CSU institutions including an MLIS from San Jose State and a Master's in Instructional Science and Technology from CSU Monterey Bay. Amanda and her family are excited to be in Humboldt County and look forward to exploring the area further.



## **Morgan Barker** **Sustainability Librarian**

Morgan Barker is the Library's new Sustainability Librarian. In this role, Morgan will serve students, faculty, and staff as a resource on the topic of sustainability in research, instruction, collaboration, and more. Additionally, Morgan will coordinate sustainable learning efforts focused on open educational resources and low cost alternatives to textbooks. While Morgan is new to the Cal Poly Humboldt Library, she is by no means new to the University. With undergraduate and graduate degrees from (then) Humboldt State, as well as an MLIS from San Jose State, Morgan joins the team following several years working as an instructional designer for the Center for Teaching & Learning. A resident of Arcata, Morgan enjoys spending time with her family and is a big fan of tacos. Ask her about her favorite local restaurant.



# The Brain Booth is Back!

By Janet Calderon

## What is it?

Centered on the idea that the mind-body connection must be nurtured and sustained to support holistic health and wellbeing, the Brain Booth is a drop-in space in the Library with mindfulness activities and wellness pick-me-ups. Located on the second floor in the west corner by the stacks, it is open to all Cal Poly Humboldt students, staff, faculty, and community members.

During drop-in hours you can find coloring supplies, a biofeedback stationary machine, information on a variety of resources across campus, and a meditation corner. The meditation corner includes a giant beanbag as optional seating and instructions on basic mindfulness meditation.

Additional Brain Booth equipment can be borrowed at the Checkout desk, including portable biofeedback and light therapy units.

Drop by for a much-needed brain and wellness break.

## What's planned?

The Brain Booth is currently undergoing a reinvention to better serve our library community. In addition to continuing successful past programming, we are seeking input from you to determine our direction moving forward. Complete this survey to provide your feedback at [sites.humboldt.edu/BrainBoothSurvey](https://sites.humboldt.edu/BrainBoothSurvey).

This semester we have planned drop-in hours for coloring, origami, and meditation. Additional programming and services will be rolled out as the semester progresses.

Check our programming calendar to find scheduled activities and drop-in hours, which will be regularly updated throughout the semester at [libguides.humboldt.edu/brainbooth](https://libguides.humboldt.edu/brainbooth). Reach out to Librarian Janet Calderon at [jc5314@humboldt.edu](mailto:jc5314@humboldt.edu) with questions, feedback, or to schedule instruction.



# Library Welcome Back Open House!



By Jessica Welch

The Fall 2022 Library Welcome Back Open House was held Thursday, August 25 in the Nordstrom Lobby. Visitors were given passports, traveled to each table to hear about all the services available in the Library, and later received a prize. Students interacted and learned about some of our services such as Y.E.S., VETS, The Press, The Learning Center, Student Disability Resource Center, Academic Career Advising Center, Center for Community Based Learning, Special Collections, and the Brain Booth. Toyon, the Humboldt County Library, and El Leñador were our special guests who joined us in tabling this year!

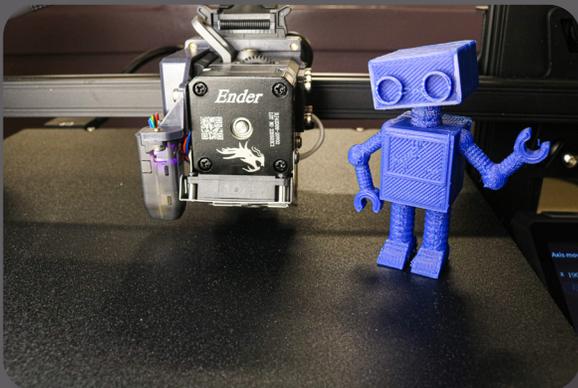
We asked students **“What did you see at one of our tables that will be a useful resource for you during the year?”** Here’s what they said:

- The Library lends equipment other than laptops.
- Go see the academic coaching and career advising!
- Community engagement, student fellowship and paid internships!
- Americorp and possibility of jobs.
- Fellowship program through the Center of Community Based Learning.
- Brain Booth, knowing a meditation spot and a place to relax.
- Tutoring labs and that I can tutor math even as a Freshman.
- That we have the newspaper and literary magazine through The Press.

# Welcome to the New Makerspace

By Kimberly Stelter

The Library Makerspace has moved and expanded our offerings! Find the Makerspace on the second floor in room 205 and the surrounding area near the whiteboard study spaces. The Makerspace hours are posted regularly on the whiteboard located outside the room. The flight simulator, virtual reality, and augmented reality sandbox stations have moved with us, and we now have a collage and zine making station available for you to make unique paper prototypes, creations, and do-it-yourself publications. An audio workstation for creating and editing music and other audio projects is newly available in the Makerspace. Feel free to use the stations located outside the Makerspace classroom at any time when the Library is open. The Makerspace has several additional locations in the Library on the first floor. The Makerspace Studio (room 120, [libguides.humboldt.edu/thestudio](http://libguides.humboldt.edu/thestudio)) has a green screen, photo light booth, lighting, and video recording/editing station. The Makerspace Computer Lab (room 122) has new Mac Minis and Windows PCs for your digital media projects, such as photography, video/audio editing, or animation.



Robot made with Library Makerspace 3D printer.



Makerspace Studio, Library room 120.

## **Maker Materials Swap Meet**

Every Friday, 4pm - 5pm  
(through the week before finals)

Trade your unused or left over materials (fabric, paint, crafting supplies, etc.) at this event instead of throwing them away or letting them take up space. Propose a swap for your materials to share resources and be more sustainable, or come to meet other people who are interested in maker projects. ROSE (Reusable Office Supply Exchange) will also table, so you can pick up office supplies you might need, or reuse them and create something new.

## **Makerspace MeetUps**

Weekly events

Makerspace Student Assistants, Library Staff, and Librarians will offer MeetUp events which are informal sessions to try out new tools or projects in the Makerspace. Some upcoming event themes include virtual reality, Raspberry Pi, knitting, making stencils, and making electronic music. These MeetUps are a space to chat with other makers and the Makerspace team.

Email us at [makerspace@humboldt.edu](mailto:makerspace@humboldt.edu) with any questions or visit the Makerspace Guide at [libguides.humboldt.edu/makerspace](http://libguides.humboldt.edu/makerspace) for more information about equipment and other offerings.

# SkillShops Help Students Take Control of their Academic Careers

By Kimberly Stelter & Tim Miller

We are excited to announce that in-person SkillShops are back! Keep an eye on the SkillShops calendar to see what will be available throughout the semester ([libguides.humboldt.edu/skillshops](http://libguides.humboldt.edu/skillshops)). The Library offers topics like 3-2-OneSearch, where you'll learn how to navigate searching for articles, books, and more with the Library's OneSearch online catalog. The Learning Center is offering a variety of learning and study SkillShops, including *Time Boxing* and *Pomodoro Retrieval Power Boosts*. New SkillShops will continue to be added as the semester progresses, so don't forget to check the calendar. We look forward to seeing you in person at a SkillShop soon!

We're also proud to share that our asynchronous online Canvas SkillShops are continuing after a year that saw the most online participation in our history, with a 24% increase from the previous year, for a total of 2,049 attendees.

## 2021-22 Year in Review

During the 2021-22 year, 2,882 people attended SkillShops through live Zoom and asynchronous Canvas SkillShops. While many students attended more than one SkillShop, 30% of all Cal Poly Humboldt students participated in at least one SkillShop. Almost 1 in 3 Cal Poly Humboldt students completed one or more SkillShop during the 2021-22 year!

We offer 17 different free Canvas SkillShops that can be completed at your own pace and are awarded a badge upon completion as a way to share what you've learned. In AY2021/2022, 2,049 badges were awarded to learners who completed these asynchronous offerings. Just a few of these SkillShops topics include: Writing With Sources, Research Basics, Zotero Citation Management, APA/MLA/Chicago Citations, Career Values, Making Academic Posters, Video Storytelling, and Podcast Basics.

Find the online SkillShops at [libguides.humboldt.edu/skillshops/](http://libguides.humboldt.edu/skillshops/) online and sign up for an in-person SkillShop at [libguides.humboldt.edu/skillshops](http://libguides.humboldt.edu/skillshops).



## Stay Connected with Us Through Social Media

The Library has a lot to share with you; whether you're a continuing student or a new freshman, welcome! Stay connected and follow us on social media to get updates about events, resources, SkillShops, and more about what's happening with Cal Poly Humboldt Library.

Find us on Instagram @CalPolyHumboldtLibrary, Twitter @HSULibrary, Facebook @HSULibrary, Tumblr @calpolyhumboldtlibrary, and Youtube: Cal Poly Humboldt University Library.

Tag your stories and posts with #CalPolyHumboldtLibrary as you're making your own experiences and connections with the Library.

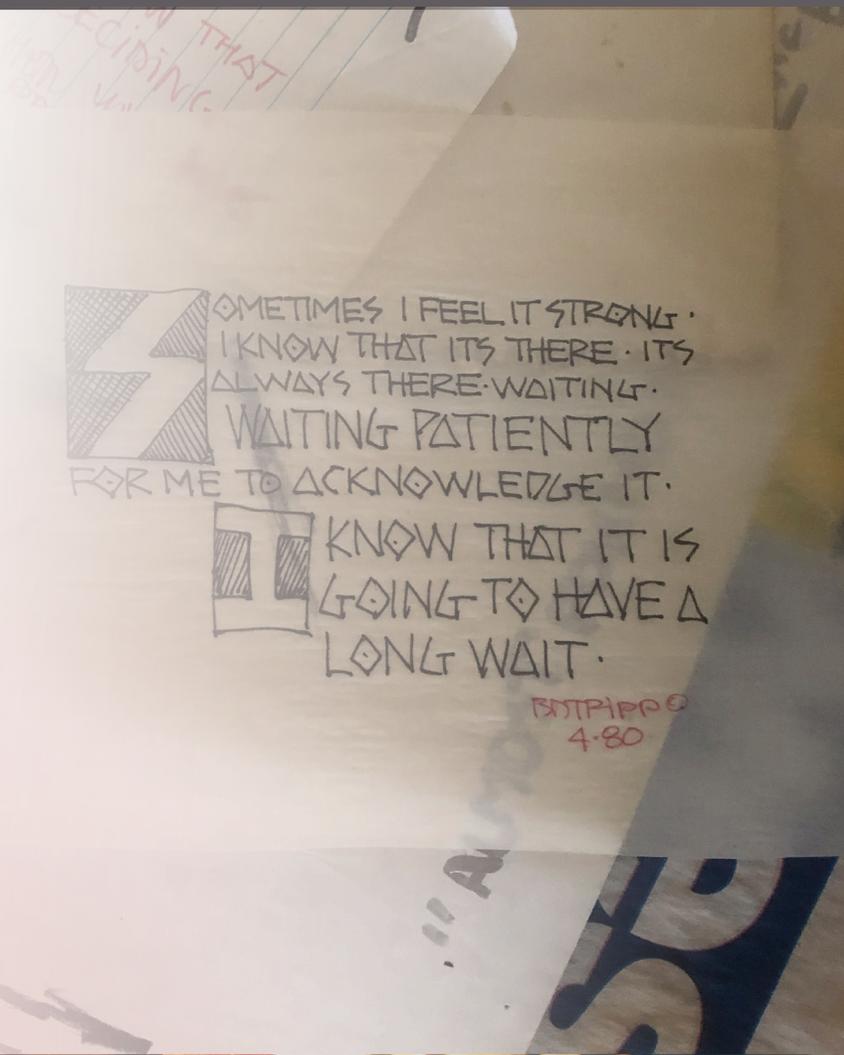


# The Brian D. Tripp Papers

By Carly Marino

The Cal Poly Humboldt Library is excited to announce that the Brian D. Tripp Papers will soon be available to researchers in Special Collections. Tripp was a renowned Karuk painter, sculptor, poet, activist, and singer. His work was exhibited at the American Indian Contemporary Arts, the C. N. Gorman Museum, and the New Museum in New York and can be found in the permanent collections of the Crocker Art Museum, the Denver Art Museum, and the Oakland Museum of California. In 2021, the Goudi'ni Gallery had an exhibition that celebrated five decades of Tripp's artwork, which highlighted Karuk worldview and culture through visual imagery, material, and story. In 2018 Tripp received the California Living Heritage Award for his transformative cultural and artistic leadership. Tripp was instrumental in the revival of Karuk ceremonies and dances, and was an activist for Indigenous rights and sovereignty.

The Brian D. Tripp Papers reflect a lifetime of creative work. It includes research notes, publications, journals, correspondence, and other documents that reflect his process as an artist. There are also photographs of Tripp, and artwork created in a variety of media. The collection is organized and described by archivist Susan Gehr, who knew Tripp personally and worked with Tripp and his family to support the collection coming to Cal Poly Humboldt. This collection will be available to researchers soon, so please look for more information in the Library's Spring 2023 newsletter.



# Events

# Contributors

OCT  
24-28

## 24th Annual Campus & Community Dialogue on Race

*Truth Telling for Liberation*

The Campus & Community Dialogue on Race (CDOR) is an annual event at Cal Poly Humboldt that invites students, staff, faculty, administrators, and community members to present and attend programs that relate to racial justice and its intersections with all forms of oppression and resistance. Our objective is to create spaces and structures for reflection, analysis, dialogue and positive strategies for change.

[dialogue.humboldt.edu](http://dialogue.humboldt.edu)

Jan  
30  
2023

## Fred Korematsu Day 2023

Fred Korematsu was an American civil rights activist who stood up to the U.S. government's wrongful incarceration of over 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry living on the West Coast during WWII. Even though Fred was vilified and ostracized by his Japanese American community and had no support from his family, he was not afraid to speak up. He knew the government had violated the civil rights of thousands of its citizens and immigrants when it forced them to leave their homes and live in remote incarcerations camps.

[korematuinstitute.org/what-is-fred-korematsu-day/](http://korematuinstitute.org/what-is-fred-korematsu-day/)

FEB  
14  
2023

## 9th Annual Cal Poly Humboldt Authors Celebration

Join us this coming spring to celebrate works published in 2022! The Cal Poly Humboldt Authors Hall is a permanent, physical collection of books, articles, CDs, DVDs, and more, recognizing Humboldt faculty, staff, students, and alumni for their scholarship and creative work. The annual Authors Celebration reflects our belief in intellectual growth through scholarship, creative activities and research.

[authors.humboldt.edu](http://authors.humboldt.edu)

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# Voter Education at Cal Poly Humboldt

By Garrett Purchio

The upcoming election is November 8, and the Cal Poly Humboldt Library is helping prepare voters to make their voices heard. For those who would like to register to vote, go to [registertovote.ca.gov](http://registertovote.ca.gov) or drop by the Library Nordstrom Lobby to pick up a physical voter registration form at the front Checkout desk. These forms are available in both English and in Spanish. Upon completion, voter registration forms can be dropped in the mail; postage is free.

Later this semester, the Cal Poly Humboldt Library will offer voter education SkillShops on a number of topics related to the November election. Check the SkillShops calendar at [libguides.humboldt.edu/skillshops](http://libguides.humboldt.edu/skillshops) to see when these workshops are offered. Topics will include how to research the state ballot initiatives, and how to research what is on your ballot. All are welcome to attend these workshops.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, contact College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences Librarian Garrett Purchio at [gap13@humboldt.edu](mailto:gap13@humboldt.edu).

**Have a library story to share with the campus? Writing for the Library newsletter is easy! Students, staff, and faculty are encouraged to contact the Library Marketing & Outreach Team at [libmarketing@humboldt.edu](mailto:libmarketing@humboldt.edu) to learn more about sharing a story in the next newsletter.**