

STAFF NEWSLETTER



Library



Sept. 15, 2016

New Staff

Mary Quinn, Special Collections Assistant V, Collection Development (8-2724, maryq@princeton.edu), Sept. 12.

Mary previously worked as a Library Clerk at Mercer County Community College Library and the weekend Supervisor at Rider University's Monroe Library. She has knowledge and experience working with ephemera, metadata, XML schema, born-digital content, electronic records, processing digitized archival collections, and editing biographic records. Mary possesses a B.A. in French/Spanish, M.A. in French, and has completed several Library Science courses.



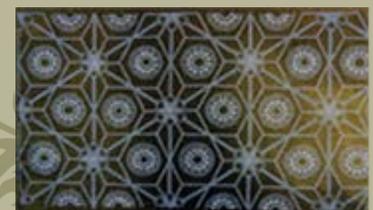
Retiring

Jasmin Kotwal, Senior Human Resources Generalist, University Human Resources, Oct. 28.

Jasmin has been at the University for 22 years and worked in the Library's Human and Resources Department in Firestone for many years before the function moved to New South. Since the move, Jasmin has remained the HR point person for library-related matters for Administrative and PULA staff members.

Katagami Collected in Germany

(Graphic Arts blog: <http://graphicarts.princeton.edu/>)



[Portfolio of twenty-four Katagami or Japanese paper stencils with floral and ornamental designs], ca. 1850. Folio (420 x 250 mm).

Not long ago, within a box of Germany ephemera a dealer found a nondescript portfolio of twenty-four stencils. They were mistaken for something European, even German, and were collected by the Graphic Arts Collection for our matrix collection, sight unseen.

When the pieces arrived, Japanese text was found on several and with further study, we confirmed that they are rare 19th-century Katagami, or Japanese stencils for the dyeing of patterns on kimono and other fabrics.

One of the stencils has "Katagami" written on it (型紙) in addition to a partial date, which (according to my colleague) seems to be February (second month) preceded by the character for tiger—which could refer to the year or to the month, based on the astrological calendar.

Another has a date that might indicate the reign date of Kaei, which would date it between 1848 and 1854. A third is stamped "high grade fine pattern. The University of Zurich's Section for East Asian Art held a symposium last March entitled "Katagami in the West [海外での「型紙」の姿]" and

What's Ahead...



- **Oct. 7** – LETC Presents: More Accessible Than Ever!
- **Oct. 7** – Lewis Library Film Series: Risk: The Known Unknowns
- **Oct. 14** – Lewis Library Film Series: Temporal Discounting
- **Oct. 28** – Lewis Library Film Series:



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To submit items, please contact Jean Moyer (jmcgill@princeton.edu)

LETC Corner

The Library Education and Training Committee Presents:

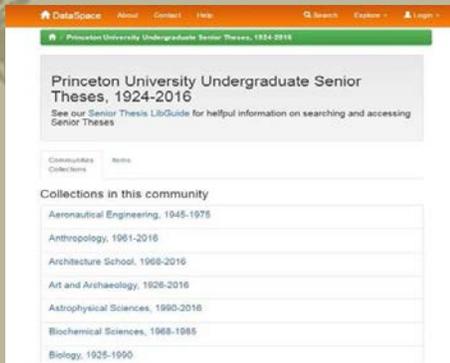
More Accessible Than Ever! Princeton University Senior Theses and Dissertations

Friday October 7th, 2016 • 2:00-3:00pm

Harlan Seminar Room, Mudd Manuscript Library

In recent years the University Archives has utilized [DataSpace](#), Princeton's digital repository, to increase access to Princeton University senior theses and dissertations. Join Mudd Manuscript Library staff to explore the [Senior Thesis](#) and [Dissertation](#) collections in DataSpace, and to learn about other discovery tools for these materials. The presenters will also review the policies that govern access to senior theses and dissertations.

The session will be presented by **Dan Linke**, University Archivist, **Alexis Antracoli**, Assistant University Archivist for Technical Services, and **Lynn Durgin**, Special Collections Assistant for Technical Services.



To register for this session, go to <https://putrain.learn.com>

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions, please fill out our form at <http://library.princeton.edu/committee/letc/suggest>

Training and Development Programs at Princeton University Library (excerpted from the PULA Contract): Supervisors are strongly encouraged to support employee attendance at training. Particular emphasis should be placed on attendance at those training activities which enhance the employee's job skills in their current position or which help the employee to advance his or her career at the library. Bargaining unit staff shall be allowed to attend at least one training activity per month provided the training activity is directly related to enhancing job skills, provides orientation to a facilities or area that is directly related to the employee's work or furthers their career development at the library.

LETC members

Dina Conte, Carol Houghton, Thomas Keenan, David Levkoff, Art Miller, Vicki Principi



Lewis Science Library Film Series

Behavioral Economics: When Psychology and Economics Collide

Video series hosted by Professor Scott Huettel, Ph.D. Duke University



Fridays, Noon to 1 in Lewis 225

- September 16th - What is a Good Decision? / The Rise of Behavioral Economics
- September 23rd - Reference Dependence: It's All Relative / Reference Dependence: Economic Implications
- September 30th - Range Effects: Changing the Scale / Probability Weighting
- October 7th - Risk: The Known Unknowns / Ambiguity: The Unknown Unknowns
- October 14th - Temporal Discounting: Now or Later? / Comparison: Apples and Oranges
- October 21st - Bounded Rationality: Knowing Your Limits / Heuristics and Biases
- October 28th - Randomness and Patterns / How Much Evidence Do We Need?
- November 11th - The Value of Experience / Medical Decision Making
- November 18th - Social Decision: Competition and Coordination / Group Decision Making: The Vox Populi
- December 2nd - Giving and Helping: Why Altruism? / Cooperation by Individuals and in Societies
- December 9th - When Incentives Backfire / Precommitment: Setting Rationality Aside
- December 16th - Framing: Moving to a Different Perspective / Interventions, Nudges, and Decisions



- Questions? Contact Neil Nero nero@princeton.edu - DVD set available @ Lewis Library HB74-P8 B45 2014

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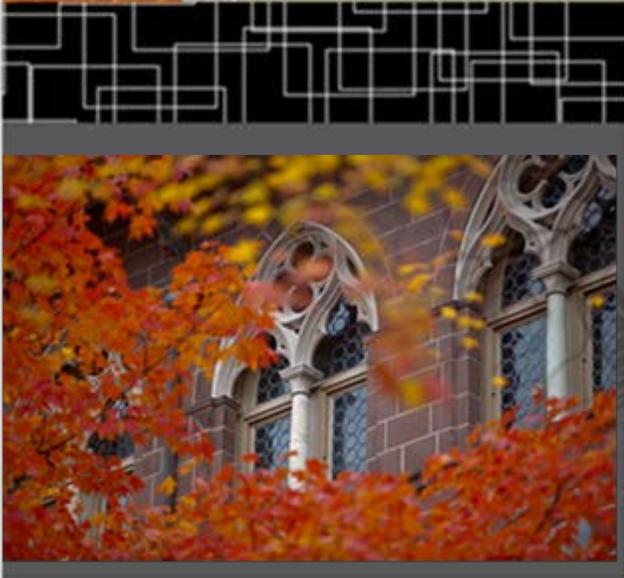
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Katagami (continued)

has released the abstracts from those sessions. They help to understand the daily use of these matrices as well as their impact on European artisans. Hopefully, a book will come from this wonderful research.

[Abstracts-katagami-conference](#)

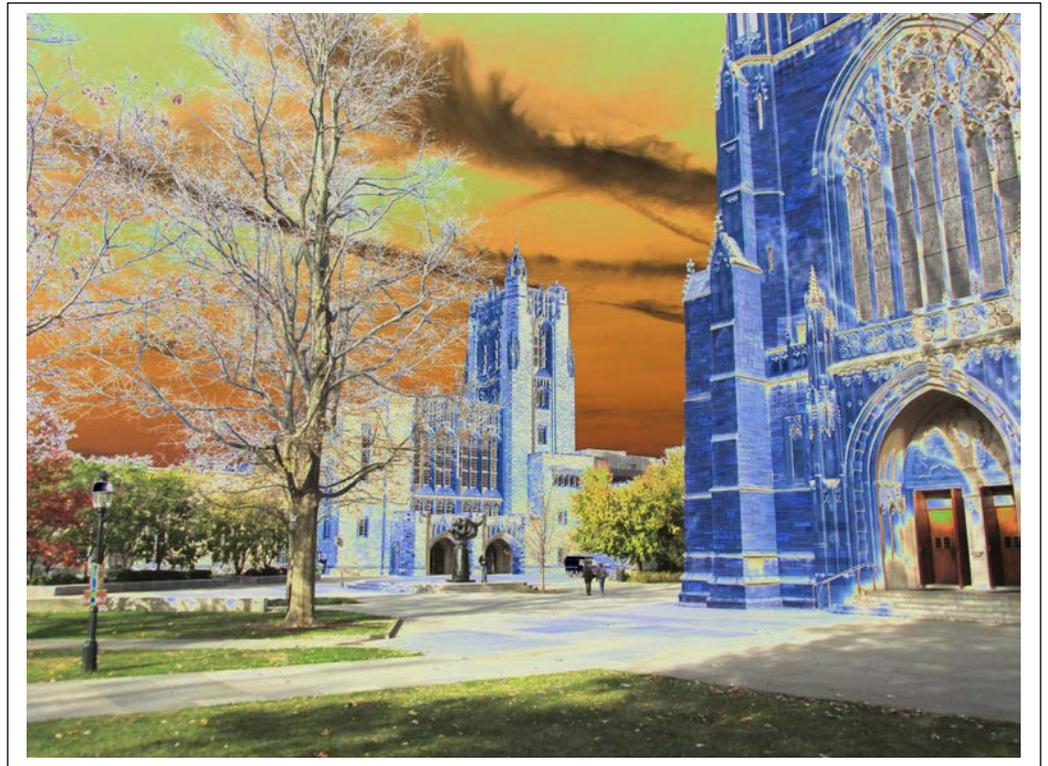
My thanks to **Gail Smith**, Senior Bibliographic Specialist, Rare Books & Special Collections Department; **Nicole Fabricand-Person**, Japanese Art Specialist, Marquand Library; and **Setsuko Noguchi**, Collection Development Department for their help with this mystery.



Farewell Reception for Karin Trainer – September 22, 2016
Photography by Mary Elizabeth Stroman







Blast from the Past

Excerpts from "The Green Pyne Leaf": Publication of the Staff Association – August, 1947

About Ourselves

Miss Joanne Baumgartner was born in Ithaca, N.Y. come to Princeton soon afterwards. She is a graduate of Princeton High School and is entering the Westminster Choir College in September. Until then she will be at the Reserve Desk.

Miss Marie Senko is also an assistant at the Reserve Desk. Her home is in West Trenton and she is a graduate of Hamilton High School and the Barbizon School of Fashion Modeling in New York. Previous to coming to the Library she was engaged for two years in secretarial work at the N.J. State Police Training School.

Miss Rita Fanget is another assistant at the Reserve Desk. She is a graduate of Princeton High School, and returns to the Maryland College for Women, Baltimore, as a Sophomore in September.

At the library picnic, the fourth ex-Wave to join the staff was discovered. Her name is **Miss Eleanor Weld** and she is assistant to **Mr. Young** in the Reference Department. Her home is in Narbeth, Pa. She graduated from Park College, Parkville, Mo., and from the University of Denver School of Librarianship. She was a neighbor of ours as Reference Assistant in the Seminary Library, both before and after her two and a half years in the Navy, spent mainly in Shelton, Va., as Ration Officer. Her primary interest is reference work and she commenced her work here on



June 1. Among her varied outside interests is amateur carpentry. It was interesting to find that she was in the same officer's' training class at Northampton, Mass. as **Miss Howe** and **Mrs. Stewart**, along with four hundred others.

Miss Jane Holcomb succeeds **Mrs. Martin** in the Cataloguing Department. Her work is with replacements and copies. She was born in Hopewell, N.J., and graduated from Princeton High School last June.

Miss Helen Oliphant occupies a newly-formed position in the Library, General Assistant to **Miss Bayles**. She is a graduate of Miss Fine's School and of Wheaton College, Norton, Mass.

Mrs. Margherita Strakhovsky has come to the Loan Desk. Although born in London, Eng., she has spent much of her life in France and Belgium, being educated in a French convent in Holland. She was tutor to the Belgian Crown Princess. Lately she has been librarian at the Marlboro State Hospital, N.J., for Psychiatric Patients. Her son is in the Merchant Marine. She is much interested in modern languages and hopes to be able to tutor in Advanced French during the coming months.

Miss Anne Dennen, of Princeton, is doing Summer work as a Page before returning to commence her sophomore year at Beaver College, Jenkintown, Pa.

Miss Elizabeth Magyari is also Paging in the Circulation Department. She is a graduate of Princeton High School, and hopes to become an expert stenographer.

Mr. David Dove is an additional Shelver. He was born in Galashiels, Scotland, and became a textile weaver and designer. During World War I he transferred from the 4th K.O.S.B. to the Machine Gun Corps (2nd Black Watch) and saw service in France, Italy, Egypt and Syria.