News from New Brunswick

Mount Allison University Libraries & Archives
Laura Landon, Head of Access Services, Bell Library

Events

The Library hosted “Canada before Confederation: An Exhibition of Maps” from October through December 2017. The exhibit, created and curated by Mount Allison University Modern Languages & Literatures Professor Lauren Beck, featured maps depicting European and Indigenous knowledge about Canada before Confederation. An opening event featured talks by Dr. Beck along with Dan Duda, Map Librarian at Memorial University, and Chet Van Duzer, Cartographic Historian with the Library of Congress.

The Library welcomed Fine Arts/Archives intern Kevin Melanson in December. Kevin, a Mount Allison Fine Arts graduate, is working with donated material from artists Mary Pratt and Christian Nicholson.

From Jan. 15 - 29, the R.P. Bell Library will host the Canadian Jewish Experience exhibit, which uses photographs and descriptive panels to tell the story of how Jewish people have contributed to Canada over the past 150 years.

Staffing

Access Services Assistant Daryl Atkinson left his position at the end of December. Daryl began working in the library as a student assistant during his undergraduate degree, and joined as full-time staff in 2014. He was Access Services’ resident tech expert and all-around can-do guy, and we will miss him.

Jane Heys has returned to the library as a full-time Access Services Assistant. Jane served with distinction on two, year-long terms in the R.P. Bell Library. She brings with her extensive front-line experience from libraries in Ontario and New Brunswick, and we are delighted to have her back.