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Florida's Natural Springs: Exhibit Brochure

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Additional Resources

Books on display...

Glass Bottom Boats & Mermaid Tails by Tim Hollis

Silver Springs by Bruce Mozert

Aquaferious by Margaret Ross Tolbert

Weeki Wachee Mermaids by Lu Vickers and Bonnie Georgiadis

Touring the Springs of Florida by Melissa Watson

For more information about exploring one of the springs in this exhibit...

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/y3cm3qld> or go to visitflorida.com. Be sure to verify COVID policies before visiting any attraction.

Works Cited

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About the Library

The Universal Orlando Foundation Library, known as the "Rosen Library," serves the research needs and interests of the Rosen College's students, staff, and faculty, as well as the needs of the greater UCF community. The Library also serves as an information resource center for the hospitality industry in central Florida. Our beautiful, 9,000 square-foot branch library is an integral component of the UCF Rosen College of Hospitality Management.

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About the Exhibit

What better way to start the spring semester at the University of Central Florida's Rosen College of Hospitality Management than by celebrating one of Florida's most popular natural tourism sites—the springs! Before magical and mechanical wonderlands like Disney transformed our tourism industry, people visited the Sunshine State to see the rumored underwater fantasy worlds bubbling up from the chilly waters of the aquifers. These “bowls of liquid light,” an expression once used by conservationist Marjory Stoneman Douglas, have always been a key feature of Florida's ecological landscape (Kays 2005).

Today, Florida has a recorded 1,000+ natural springs perforating the state (Wu et al., 2018). Appreciation for the history, literature, and continued conservation efforts of these natural wonders are essential in order for future generations to enjoy the springs for years to come.

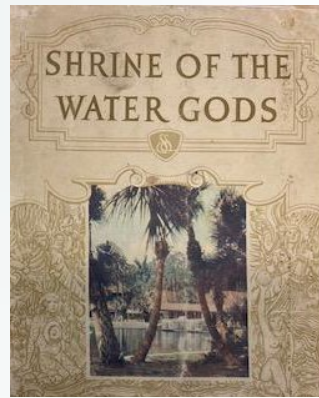
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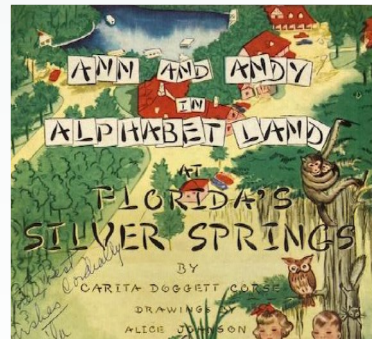
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Highlights from the Exhibit



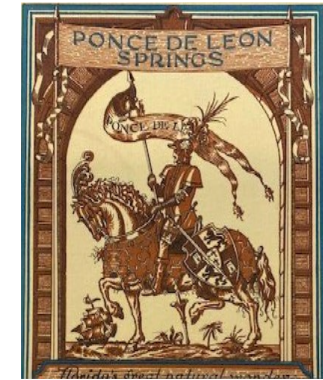
Shrine of the Water Gods pamphlet, Silver Springs



Ann and Andy Alphabet Book, Silver Springs



Underwater Theater Carnival Show sketch, Weeki Wachee, 1982-83



Ponce De Leon Springs pamphlet



Photograph booklet of the *Weeki Wachee Jungle Cruise*



The Youth's Companion advertising land sales in Silver Springs