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ABOUT ME

Hello, everyone! My name is Diamond Williams; I am a second-year double-majoring in Criminal Justice and Writing & Rhetoric.

Welcome to the ninth installment of **Diamond's Hidden Gems**, a blog series in which I introduce you to the University of Central Florida's library services that you may not have known about!



Special Collections & University Archives

If you're looking for a sixteenth-century book, artifacts from the early days of Walt Disney World, or the history of UCF, the UCF Libraries Special Collections & University Archives has what you need. Special Collections & University Archives (SCUA) houses the library's rare, unique, and one-of-a-kind materials.

SCUA also provides an opportunity for students to showcase their art and potentially win a monetary prize. To learn more about the department, read on!

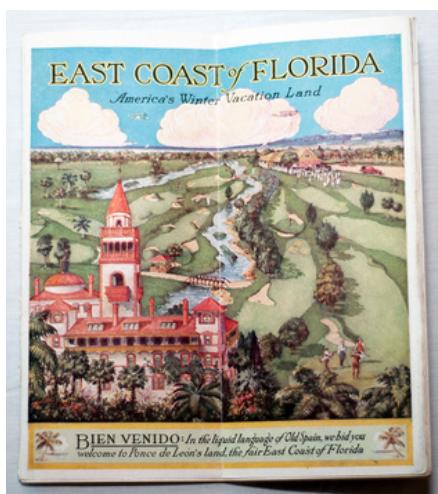
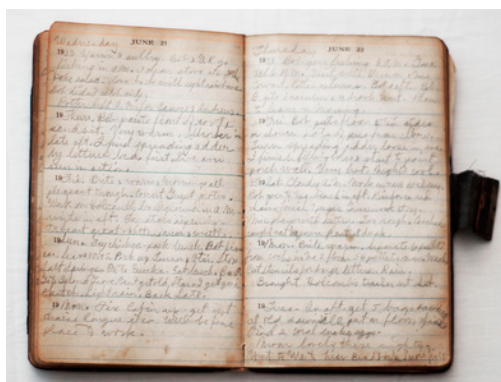
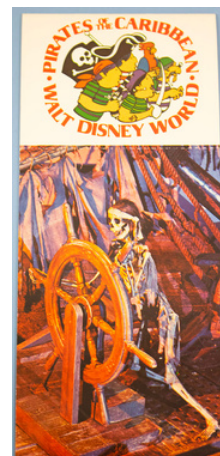
"...offering students access to unique materials."

Special Collections contains original personal and organizational papers, correspondence, family papers, maps, photographs, oral histories and ephemera.

Each collection has a unique finding aid which includes detailed descriptions of the collection and an outline of its content. The collections take various forms, including art, books, maps, and digital content.

You can explore the following collections:

- African Americana
- Artist Paper's
- Book Arts & Typography
- Botany
- Caribbean West Indies
- Floridiana
- Political Papers
- Space Program
- Travel and Tourism



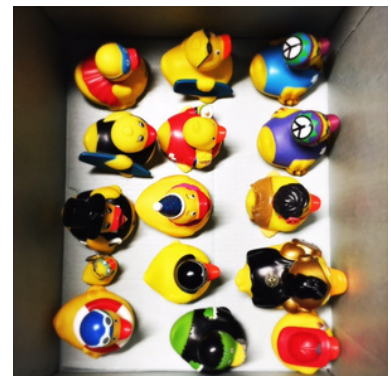
“...collects materials that tell the story of UCF from its founding in 1963 to the present.”

The University Archives holds publications, records, photographs and other materials on the University of Central Florida, formerly Florida Technological University from its beginnings in 1963 to the current day.

You are encouraged to talk with staff prior to visiting the department. To find out more about the contents of a collection or to make an appointment to view materials, please contact the department.

View Collections About:

- Black Student Union History
- Photographs, Audio and Visual Materials
- University Branches, Offices, Services, and Programs
- University Documents
- University History
- University Organizations Records
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17th Annual Student Book Arts Competition

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UCF's SCUA department holds an annual Student Book Arts Competition, in which UCF and Rollins' College students have the opportunity to showcase their hand made artists' books and have them added to the permanent Book Arts & Typography Collection.

Book Arts are books created by artists as works of art that challenge the form of the book, both traditionally and conceptually, and how the book object can be read.

Towards the end of the spring semester, a panel of jurors will select the best entry or entries to receive a monetary purchase prize. An exhibit featuring all entries runs May through the end of the summer in the Gallery, located on the 5th floor in the John C. Hitt Library.



The deadline for all submissions is May 2, 2023. Competition rules, eligibility, and submission forms are available for this year here: <https://library.ucf.edu/about/departments/special-collections-university-archives/book-arts-competition/>



Thank you for reading!

Special Collections and University Archives is open by appointment only, Tuesday through Thursday, from 9 am to 4 pm.

Please call (407) 823 – 2576 or email speccoll@ucf.edu to contact the department!



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