

Library plans special programs for Open House

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The UCSD libraries will be staging a series of special events in conjunction with the annual campuswide open house Sunday, May 4, from noon until 5 p.m.

Among the planned events will be tours of the Central Library, a book sale of classic mystery novels and demonstrations on how to take care of books.

Visitors will also be able to view exhibits and demonstrations on a variety of library resources including rare books and manuscripts and the latest in satellite communication networks and computer-based bibliographies.

Video productions of "A Midsummer Night's Dream," from noon until 2 p.m. and "Cosmos," from 2 until 3 p.m., will be presented at the Undergraduate Library on Revelle campus, and there will be hands-on demonstrations of the computerized MELVYL online catalog system.

The UCSD library holds a collection of more than 1.7 million volumes. Each year more than 2.5 million people visit the library, which is available for use by the general public.

Among the distinctive collections are the Scripps Library, considered one of the two great oceanographic collections in the world; the Hill Collection of Pacific Voyages, an exhaustive collection of published accounts of Pacific voyages before 1850, and the Archive for New Poetry, one of the most important collections in the country of manuscripts, correspondence, books and recordings dealing with contemporary poetry.

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