

# Cram Jam, Contests, and Coffee:

## Getting Students into the Library

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**"Quality interaction between students and librarians needs to take place, and . . . learning about the library setting and its resources is vital in starting students off on the right foot."  
--Heidi Blackburn**

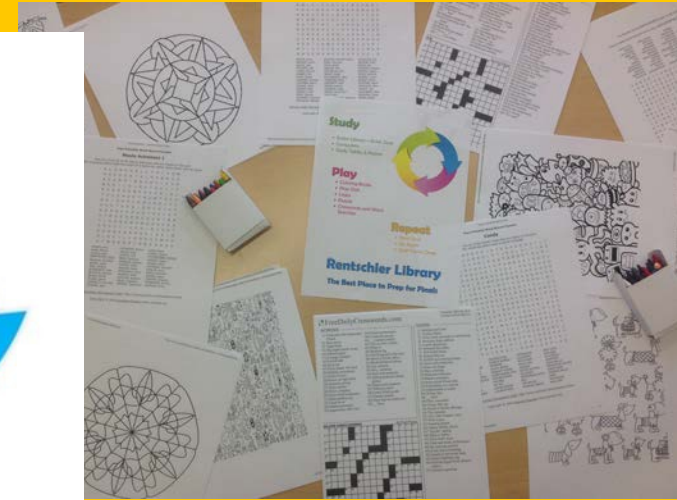
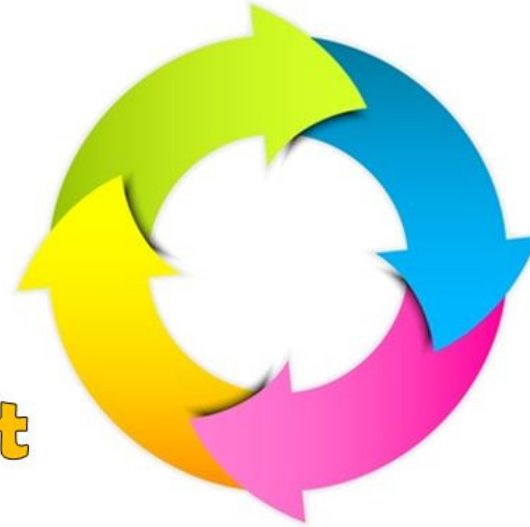


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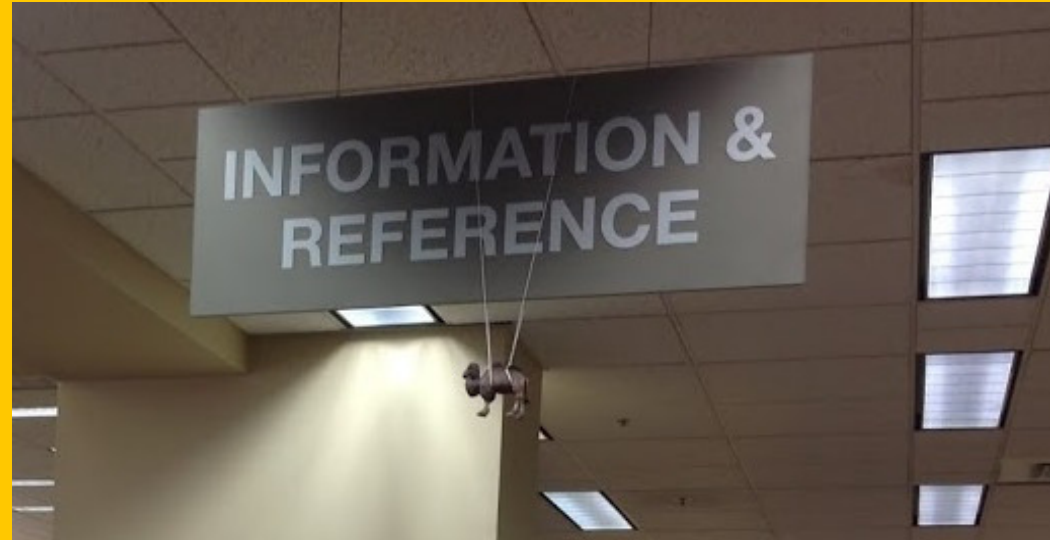
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# Open House



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# Camel Contest



**The Haikus of Winter**

**Rentschler Library's Annual Haiku Contest!**  
**When:** February 3rd-21st

**Who:** Open to Miami affiliates, including students, faculty, & staff

**Where:** Submit your original haiku about some aspect of winter in person at Rentschler Library or by using the online form below.

**What are the rules?:** Only 1 submission per person (no profanity please!) and ALL submissions must be your own creative work or you will be disqualified from the contest. If you submit multiple entries, only your first submission will be reviewed. Don't forget to follow the theme and write about some aspect of winter.

**How will I know I won?:** Winners will be notified by email/phone by February 28th

**How do I write a haiku?:** You've got 3 lines to write. The first one is 5 syllables, the second line is 7 syllables, and then back to 5 syllables for the last line. No exceptions! An example is below:

*If the snow should come,  
 Barren arms the trees shall spread,  
 To greet the first flakes.  
 —Iris Patton*

*\* Required*

Your Name \*

Email Address \*

Contact Phone Number \*

Miami Affiliation \*  
 Student  
 Faculty  
 Staff

Please use the box below to enter your original haiku in a 3-line, 5-7-5 format. \*  
 Only entries that meet the 3 lines of 5 syllable, 7 syllable, and then 5

# Haiku Contest

**Rentschler Library's Annual Haiku Contest**

Every Spring Rentschler Library holds its Annual Haiku Contest. Members of the Miami University Hamilton campus write and submit original Haiku poems, and one is selected as the winner in a blind-review process.

The 2016 Haiku Contest has ended. Please check back next Spring for details about and to submit your original Haiku in the next contest.

**Original Haiku by Miami Hamilton**

The Haiku on this page were submitted for the Rentschler Library Haiku Contest, and are property of the authors. Contest guidelines stated that each Haiku must be the original work of the submitter; Rentschler Library does not assume responsibility for false submissions.

<b>2016 Winner</b> <b>Megan Boggs</b> I call mountains home. Hills gathered like slept in sheets, I've been gone too long	<b>2015 Winner</b> <b>Kathryn Lanning</b> Wisdom rose gently- a paper lantern above her timid, cloaked words.	<b>2014 Winner</b> <b>Austin McComas</b> Love will warm your heart, but when it comes to winter, I'll stick with fire.
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**2016 Submissions**

<b>Megan Boggs-Winner</b> I call mountains home. Hills gathered like slept in sheets, I've been gone too long	<b>Cassi Britton</b> Heaven is the taste of Bai Hao Yin Zhen. That is, if heaven exists.	<b>Robert Callahan</b> Trying hard to win The Rentschler Haiku Contest But writer's block wins
<b>Ben Daniels</b> Morn' mist hangs over, Freshly felled trees. Leaves still green, What a strange beauty!	<b>Mathiasel Houser</b> Running for President Leaves fall on her, while I read To vote, bring terror.	<b>Joe Imholte</b> The final exam. My toes want to feel the sand. But, I'm still inside.
<b>Evan Jolley</b> On comfortable cancer beds we all here lie. Flowers bloom and die	<b>Kathryn Lanning</b> I'll sell you masked friends Within a confessional. Like me, share, follow.	<b>Brett Milam</b> My toes curl hot coals. For her, I do anything. She averts her gaze.
<b>Rina Slovacek</b> Broken heart. Bruised face. surrounded by broken glass, It's too hard to fake.	<b>Matthew Smith</b> the sun shone down the grassy hollow, then the shade came down to follow	<b>Anna Wilkinson</b> back and forth we Fight for my sanity, life. I never win at night.

**2015 Submissions**

<b>Kris Barnes</b> Butterflies flutter speech is locked behind my teeth You besiege my sight	<b>Michael Brown</b> A Haiku is when you speak in five, seven, five and you must not rhyme	<b>Rob Craft</b> snow covered landscape fog gently hugging the ground sun peaks through at times
<b>Michael Coad</b> If study more, instead of writing haikus I will pass the test.	<b>Tiffany Holmes</b> Life is challenging But the end is worth it all. What if it were true?	<b>CJM Kessler</b> Thou shall not fear death. We shall celebrate our lives Until the last breath.
<b>Mary Kate Kuchers</b> Searching for purpose Finding life in Man who gave up His to save ours	<b>Kathryn Lanning-Winner</b> Wisdom rose gently- a paper lantern above her timid, cloaked words.	<b>Austin McComas</b> "You save the hungry! Noble one, what is thy name?" "Refrigerator."
<b>Thom Meyer</b> teach me how to breathe as the world spins like a dog chasing its own tail	<b>Karen O'Hara</b> Ohio springtime: Walk in the sunshine at noon Chance of frost tonight	<b>Michael Pardi</b> Finals are coming. Time to kick it into gear, And prepare big time.
<b>Chanely Rodriguez</b> The life evolving. inside my womb she becomes, spirit, it also flesh.	<b>Rina Slovacek</b> Hey, You! Yes, You! the Person reading this. Yes, YOU! You are beautiful.	<b>Jessica Skokyo</b> Metamorphosis. Not just for frogs anymore. New generation.
<b>Miranda Waininger</b> School's end approaches The students are getting stressed		

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# Frequent User Card





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Student Orientation,  
Advising &  
Registration



The Library has some of the best resources for new Miamians!



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# Spring Fling and Fall Fest



# Ideas and Questions