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Skillman Library’s expansion and renovation in 2004 received the country’s highest architectural awards. The transformed Skillman is spacious and light-filled and provides ample room for learning, collaboration, collections, exhibits, and technology. Librarians meet with over 250 classes in all disciplines every academic year. The Lafayette student of today can count on instruction in information literacy, one-on-one research assistance from librarians, and unique opportunities to explore primary sources in the Special Collections & College Archives.

Conservation

Two of Skillman Library’s most valuable works—the 1st-century Egyptian Papyrus and the 1515 illuminated Persian Manuscript—have undergone conservation treatment sponsored by the Friends.

Digitization

Friends funding has made possible the digitization of two full runs of major Lafayette College publications—The Lafayette student newspaper (1870 to date) and The Lafayette Magazine (1930 to date).

Acquisitions

Friends support has enabled the purchase of remarkable rare books, including an 1809 Iliad that belonged to James Madison, a gift to him from the French publisher on his election to the U.S. presidency.

Annual Lectures

Skillman Library is the beneficiary of two named lectureships established by Friends—the John L. Hatfield ’67 Lecture and the Paul and June Schlueter Lecture in the Art and History of the Book. Recent speakers have included Natasha Trethewey (above), Jill Lepore, Kevin Young, Heather Wolfe, and Michael Suarez.

Exhibitions and Programs

Funding from the Friends makes it possible for Skillman Library to offer a lively and diverse exhibition series, as well as an array of public programming that contributes to the College’s intellectual and cultural life. Recent exhibits have highlighted Islamic calligraphy (above), Tiffany at Lafayette, Shakespeare at 400, and Alice in Wonderland at 150.

Students, faculty, and staff benefit from Friends of Skillman Library support in a number of program areas.

Past

Founded in 1964 to support the educational mission of the new library—the Friends of Skillman Library continues that vital role today.

Present

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