

FORUM

Florida Humanities FORUM Magazine Exhibit at University of South Florida St. Petersburg Campus Library

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A new University of South Florida St. Petersburg campus Nelson Poynter Memorial Library exhibit showcases a sampling of FORUM magazine covers celebrating the diverse history and heritage of Florida. The selected magazines highlight USF-related writers who have contributed to FORUM through their research and narrative storytelling. The permanent exhibit is located near the landings in the library's main stairway and a separate StoryMaps¹ version has been posted online.



FORUM magazine covers from the library's new exhibit / photo courtesy of Nelson Poynter Memorial Library

African American History Collection: An Audio, Print, and Video Bibliography

Florida Humanities is committed to using the humanities to better understand racism and injustice and how to curb their influence in society. We support programs, whether in print or on video or on the radio which explores the African American experience, particularly in Florida. With the assistance of the USF-St. Petersburg Library, who hosts this collection, Florida Humanities has created the African American History Archive. We present it here for your review and use.

This robust compilation of information will deepen our knowledge of African American history and culture and by doing so, help us all understand the historic roots and current implications of racism, both overt and covert. Only by better understanding each other can a diverse and free nation thrive.

Welcome to the Florida Humanities African American History Archive. Please tell us what you think and how we make it better.

All	Arts & Architecture	Civil Rights	Democracy	Education	Literature & Poetry	Media & Journalism	People & Places	Slavery

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FORUM magazine is produced by Florida Humanities, which has partnered with the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library to create a digital archive for the magazine and other Florida Humanities content. In 2020 the library and Florida Humanities also worked together to produce an interactive audio, print, and video bibliography² about African American history. Additionally, both institutions are on the St. Petersburg campus and have benefited from a rich collaborative history.

The Florida Humanities website³ reminds us that the organization's mission is to "preserve, promote and share the history, literature, culture and personal stories that offer Floridians a better understanding of themselves, their communities and their state." We hope that in some small way our library can help Florida Humanities carry out their valuable mission to our state and its people.

¹<https://arqg.is/1K4z1P1>

²<https://floridahumanities.org/programs-publications/african-american-archive/>

³<https://floridahumanities.org/about-us/history-and-mission/>