Congratulations to all the participants in the latest Medical Complex Art Show. Eighty-seven artists were selected to physically or virtually present their best photo, painting, sculpture, or other artistic creation.

At the opening reception on October 7, Dean Gotto announced the winners of the 20th annual Medical Complex Art Show and the 5th annual Medical Complex Virtual Art Show. Taking Best of Show was Matej Krajcovic’s “Central Park Vintage Views.” The top prize for the Virtual Art Show went to Amos Grunebaum for L & D 1-6 (above left). The virtual show includes submissions from our Qatar colleagues and is available at: http://bit.ly/VirtualShow

Kudos to winners of the 2010 Art Show

In the Fall of 2009, NIH awarded Weill Cornell Medical College and six partner institutions a $12.2 million grant to further develop and implement the software tool, VIVO. VIVO enables the discovery of research and scholarship across disciplinary and administrative boundaries in an institution through interlinked profiles of people and other research-related information. VIVO uses data ingested from institutional sources of record and external sources, supplemented with manual entry to populate detailed profiles of scholars and researchers.

Playing a key role in the local rollout of VIVO is Digital Services Librarian, Paul Albert. As information architect, Paul led an effort to define the data available in WCMC systems of record. Later, Paul worked with members of the national ontology team to determine how best to map data to VIVO’s semantic data structure.

Going forward, WCMC’s VIVO implementation team expect to begin training and outreach efforts to the user community at WCMC and CTSC partners; apply an ICD-based expertise identification algorithm; implement multi-institutional networking; and expand data sources for data ingest. The Library will continue to collaborate on this project.
In the past year, the Library has taken several measures to improve the quality of its digital services.

**Website redesign**

In June, the Medical Library unveiled an overhauled website. Drawing from user feedback, the new site introduces a global search toolbar that allows users to search Tri-Cat, our online catalog, e-journals or PubMed from any page on the website. The website also has a more consistent, cleaner look and feel.

One happy focus group participant, Michele Fuortes, MD, praised the redesign, saying the site is "a marked improvement and much easier to use."

**Easier access to articles**

The Library recently migrated to ILLiad, a new system for managing interlibrary loan and TripSaver requests. The switch enables patrons to initiate, track, and edit their requests online. As part of our interlibrary loan service, the Library will obtain for free any item that we do not own. We will also scan and email you a copy of items we do own for a modest fee of $5 via TripSaver. http://bit.ly/interlibrary

**Tons of e-books**

In the second quarter of 2010, Amazon.com reported that its e-book sales outnumbered hardcover books for the first time ever. This trend has not escaped the Library. We now have over 11,000 e-books in our online catalog Tri-Cat, with access to even more e-books from Cornell University Libraries. The Library is exploring options for linking to e-books from the Library website.

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**DIRECTOR’S MESSAGE**

The past year was a time of transition in leadership and direction in the Library and Archives. Academic health sciences libraries across the nation are redefining their institutional role, and the Weill Cornell Medical Library is no exception. We continue to rethink and redefine our contribution to supporting the education, research, clinical and administrative endeavors of the institution.

In 2010, we redesigned our website and plan to make even bigger changes in the coming year by providing better access to electronic resources, chat reference, and mobile access to our resources and services.

The physical library will likely undergo some changes too in the coming years as we look to provide comfortable 24-hour study space for students, space for collaboration and a renovated, state-of-the-art teaching classroom. In addition to offering courses remotely to students in Tanzania, India, and Haiti via the Global Health Program, we will offer our popular Library instruction courses remotely to all users. By partnering to teach with Cornell University Libraries we will expand our breadth and subject expertise in the courses offered.

Librarians have played an important role in the Educational Unit Taskforces and we anticipate continuing alliances with educators. We have teamed up with ITS to provide better access to information.
The Distributed eLibrary at Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar is continuing to teach students about our wide array of information resources at a point of need in their curriculum. We are also working with WCMC-Q’s growing research department. Aligned with the technical nature of the Distributed eLibrary, we developed a series of brief, instructional videos, DeLibCasts, on select topics. Last December, DeLib staff joined the Public Affairs department in the WCMC-Q exhibit booth at “Qatar Health 2010”. Collaborating with Student Affairs, our outreach efforts also included teaching biomedical information resources to select local high schools in Doha. At WCMC-Q, DeLib participates in the new employee orientation.

Working with the Library Advisory Committee, we have developed a resource page for Islamic contributions to medicine and science.

Read more in our newsletter “DeLib Bytes” or on our website: http://bit.ly/eQatar

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MED STUDENTS FIND TREASURE

Every year, the Treasure Hunt teaches medical and graduate students how to use the Library's services and resources. This year, Team 6 took first place in the annual Treasure Hunt for first-year medical students, winning lunch in the Griffis Faculty Club. Team 8 took second prize, flash drives. All students won spill-proof Library mugs and gained an introduction to the wealth of knowledge housed in the Library's collections. You can see the students in action in this Facebook photo album: http://tiny.cc/TreasureHunt

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