

We invite you to explore

the Loraine and Earl Burns Miller Special Collections Room on your next visit to the library.

Here, in an attractive setting conducive to leisurely reading or serious research, the artist, teacher, student, and general public will find a distinguished array of materials.

The Miller Special Collections Room is located on the lower level of the Main Library at 101 Pacific Avenue in the city of Long Beach. Please call (562) 570-7500 or visit www.lbpl.org.

The Millers also funded the Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden at California State University Long Beach, and the Miller Children's Hospital at Long Beach Memorial Medical Center.

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FRONT COVER

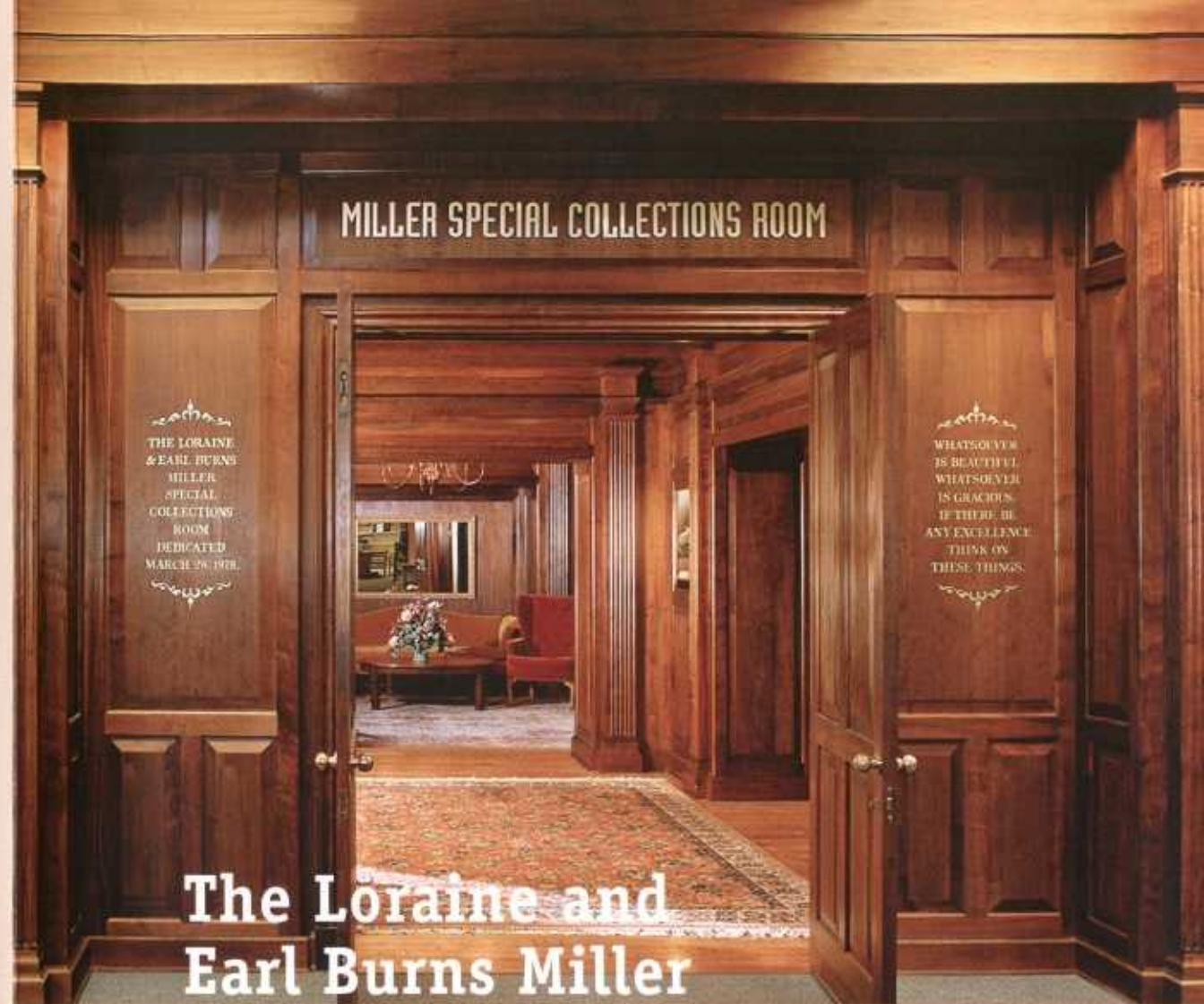
Rohan Master, Book of Hours
Porcelain vase – Chinese – 1800s style
Brass serving tray – France – 1850s

BACK COVER

Satsuma vase – Japan – 1868-1912
Gutenberg Bible, facsimile

INSIDE

Porcelain vase – Chinese – 1800s style
Audubon's North American Birds, elephant folio
Satsuma vase – Japan – 1868-1912
Handwritten Bible (inset) – 1839



The Loraine and
Earl Burns Miller
Special Collections Room
@ Long Beach
Public Library

The Loraine and Earl Burns Miller Special Collections Room is an elegant art reference center.

Modeled after the Miller home, the Special Collections Room reflects an 18th century Palladian influence particularly evident in the design of the well-crafted walnut paneling. Walnut bookcases with doors of intricate bronze lattice work, lighted niches for the display of art objects, and pegged oak floors contribute further to the warmth and elegance of the room. Queen Anne, Chippendale, and Windsor furniture reproductions complement the decor. A striking brass chandelier and a finely woven Persian carpet draw one's immediate attention upon entering the room.

Both design and construction of the Special Collections Room were made possible by a generous gift in 1974 from Loraine Miller Collins in memory of her late husband, Earl Burns Miller. Dedication ceremonies were held on March 28, 1978. A trust fund established by Loraine Miller Collins provides for the continued expansion of the collection.

The bookcases are lined with a rich selection of fine arts volumes. Emphasizing Asian art, the collection includes beautifully illustrated works on Chinese painting, Japanese prints, Chinese and Japanese ceramics, and Korean art. There are also various books on selected American and European artists, as well as on art history, architecture, and photography.

These are specialized reference materials which cannot be checked out. However, all volumes may be examined in the Special Collections Room.



THE BERTRAND SMITH SR. COLLECTION

Rare texts dating back to the 15th Century are also found in the Special Collections Room. These were presented to the library by antiquarian Bertrand Smith Sr., founder of Acres of Books bookstore in Long Beach. The collection includes first editions by 19th century American authors, rare European texts, and a two-volume facsimile of the Gutenberg Bible.

THE MARILYN HORNE COLLECTION

Photographs, magazines, books, programs, recordings, interviews, and personal letters chronicling the life and operatic career of former Long Beach resident Marilyn Horne are part of another collection.



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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | <p>1 Bret Harte Celebrate with Poetry! Pick up a poem & put it in your pocket when you visit the library ALL MONTH</p> <p>Los Altos Folk/Fairy Tale Trivia Contest</p> <p>Burnett 2 p.m. Family Movie Fun Connection</p> | <p>2 Los Altos Folk/Fairy Tale Trivia Contest</p> | <p>3 Los Altos Folk/Fairy Tale Trivia Contest</p> | <p>4 Los Altos Folk/Fairy Tale Trivia Contest</p> <p>Bach 11 a.m. HouStories-Maureen Neeley will share her methodology in researching the history of homes in Long Beach</p> <p>Main 12-4 p.m. Black Authors Festival presented by Aaron Day featuring books by & about African Americans in Long Beach</p> <p>Bay Shore 2 p.m. Authors discuss new book: <i>Abigail Iris: The One & Only</i>. Craft program for children at 3:30 p.m.</p> |
| <p>6 Los Altos Folk/Fairy Tale Trivia Contest</p> | <p>7 Los Altos Folk/Fairy Tale Trivia Contest</p> <p>Los Altos 3:30 p.m. Amazing Race: Around the world in one hour* stories & activities</p> <p>City Hall 5 p.m. LBPL National Library Month-City Council Proclamation</p> | <p>8 Los Altos Folk/Fairy Tale Trivia Contest</p> <p>Burnett 2 p.m. Family Movie Fun Connection</p> | <p>9</p> | <p>10</p> | <p>11 Bach 11 a.m. Author Wesla Kerr will read from her book & sign copies <i>Cul-de-Sac: Mop-up for Malice</i></p> <p>Main 3 p.m. Mini-bookmaking workshop for teens. Make thumb-sized books from recycled materials</p> |
| <p>13 El Dorado Adult bookmark design contest</p> | <p>14 El Dorado Adult bookmark design contest</p> <p>North 4 p.m. Spring craft program grades 1-6</p> <p>Mark Twain 5 p.m. My Librarian is a Camel-storytime & craft program</p> | <p>15 El Dorado Adult bookmark design contest</p> <p>Alamitos 10 a.m. Book discussion <i>Audacity of Hope</i> by Barack Obama</p> <p>Burnett 2 p.m. Family Movie Fun Connection</p> | <p>16 El Dorado Adult bookmark design contest</p> <p>North 3:30 p.m. "Magnet Madness" a craft for teens</p> | <p>17 El Dorado Adult bookmark design contest</p> | <p>18 El Dorado Adult bookmark design contest</p> <p>Bach 11 a.m. Landscape Architect Douglas Kent discusses strategies for creating healthful landscapes and communities using water conserving plants, alternatives to toxic chemicals, and much more</p> <p>North 2 p.m. Free movie program adults</p> |
| <p>20</p> | <p>21</p> | <p>22 Burnett 2 p.m. Family Movie Fun Connection</p> <p>El Dorado 4 p.m. Funny stories/craft program for children</p> | <p>23 North 4 p.m. Free movie program for kids</p> | <p>24</p> | <p>25 Brewitt 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Spring cleaning book sale & boutique. Book discussion <i>The Ice Queen</i></p> <p>Dana 10:15 a.m. Elementary Art! Free art opportunity for ages 9 and up</p> <p>Dana 1:30 p.m. The Color Diva, Shoshana Segal will provide inspiration & help you select the best colors for your California Bungalow</p> <p>Bach 3 p.m. Book discussion of Daphne Du Maurier's <i>Rebecca</i></p> |
| <p>27</p> | <p>28</p> | <p>29 Burnett 2 p.m. Family Movie Fun Connection</p> | <p>30</p> | | |

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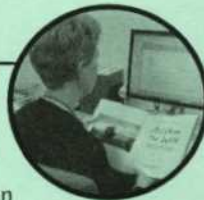
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