

Rosenberg Library Activities Report

August 2025



19,990



Visitors

4,269

reference
transactions

23,466

items checked
out

24,225

Rosenberg
website visits

PROGRAMS

ONSITE PROGRAMS

45
sessions

1,006
attendance

OUTREACH PROGRAMS

0
sessions

0
attendance

VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

5
sessions

55
attendance

"Thank you for **another fantastic Summer Reading Program!!!**" - Mary Castillo McFather

"Bravo! One of our Greatest Literary Geniuses of the 20th Century. **Great work** in providing awareness. May God continue to bless you in your purpose and work. To be continued." - Donald Carroll

"What a wonderful tribute! **Well done** to everyone involved." -Stephanie Nwadie



COMMENTS FROM LIBRARY GUESTS

"**Rosenberg Library** helped fuel and keep me motivated. As a kid, I would come here and I went straight to the arts section. I would pull off of several books, and I'm not a big time reader. But the images would fuel me in a way because I always wanted to be an illustrator. So when you think of Norman Rockwell, or Howard Pyle ... there weren't any African American illustrators that I could lean on. I had to get my vision wherever the vision was. I had to go and get the vision. So once I got the vision, I kept coming to the library. Without the library, there was nobody down here doing art. Nobody in my family ... there was nobody doing art that I could lean on as a kid, other than myself and the library. So **the library was huge for me.**" - Comments from artist Eddie Filer, Jr. during the James Baldwin event hosted by the Rosenberg Library Museum and the Galveston and Texas History Center Aug. 2.

MEETING ROOMS



111

reservations

1,204

attendance

EXTENSION SERVICES



765
items
delivered

0
items
mailed

51
homebound
visits

COMPUTER USE



2,870
public computer sessions

4,635
wi-fi sessions

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



3
linear feet of
archival collections
processed



1
collections
added



1,373
items
digitized

DATABASE USE

41,249
total database uses

17,783

Database
use

23,466

GTHC Digital
views

\$ \$12,009.80
IN DONATIONS



The Rosenberg Library Museum and the Galveston and Texas History Center hosted a special program called "James Baldwin: A Conversation with Artist Eddie Filer, Jr." on Aug. 2, with donors Doris and Samuel Collins III. The event highlighted Baldwin's legacy, as well as Filer's path to artistry and his painting of Baldwin, pictured.



Our Adult Services Department announced a new free, public offering that is now available through our computer lab - digital assistance appointments! Wendy, our Computer Lab Librarian, is excited to assist and has started accepting appointment requests.



The Rotary Club of Galveston welcomed team members from our Children's Department at one of their August weekly meetings. Karen Stanley, our Youth Services Manager, spoke to Rotarians about brain development in young children and early literacy practices and more. Additionally, Rotarians stuffed bags with a variety of literacy-focused resources that will be gifted to newborn families at UTMB.