

Rosenberg Library Activities Report

March 2026



24,888



Visitors

4,469

reference transactions

18,614

items checked out

52,828

Rosenberg website visits

COMMENTS FROM LIBRARY GUESTS

On 2026 Galveston Reads:

"I so enjoyed the miniature plant workshop, and meeting Elise most of all. Great read too!"

- Danielle Barker Alvarado

"I enjoyed every nuance of the book. However, I enjoyed meeting Elise and hearing her speak even more! I immediately ordered every one of her books after I left her presentation!"

- Trisha Comer Wooten

"I loved the book. I was having a bad day and couldn't sleep. It was nice to have a book that I could read at 2 in the morning and distract me. All is well now.

Thank you Rosenberg Library!

- Shirley L. Adams

"Thank you, Ms. Hooper! **It was a pleasure** to meet you." - Cathi Walsh

PROGRAMS

ONSITE PROGRAMS

68 sessions

2,446 attendance

OUTREACH PROGRAMS

3 sessions

158 attendance

VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

5 sessions

56 attendance

"What a well-prepared and articulate speaker! **Thank you for a wonderful presentation.**"

- Catherine Walsh on the GTHC lecture highlighting Mary Moody Northern that occurred March 14.

"Surprising mixture of patrons, young, old and in-between. Respectful lot and, of course, fantastic librarians! **A Galveston gem.**"

- Kevin Rung



MEETING ROOMS



154

reservations

1,860

attendance

EXTENSION SERVICES



943
items
delivered

0
items
mailed

55
homebound
visits

COMPUTER USE



2,882
public computer sessions

3,969
wi-fi sessions

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



0
linear feet of
archival collections
processed



1
collections
added



1,392
items
digitized

DATABASE USE

55,720
total database uses

12,585

43,135

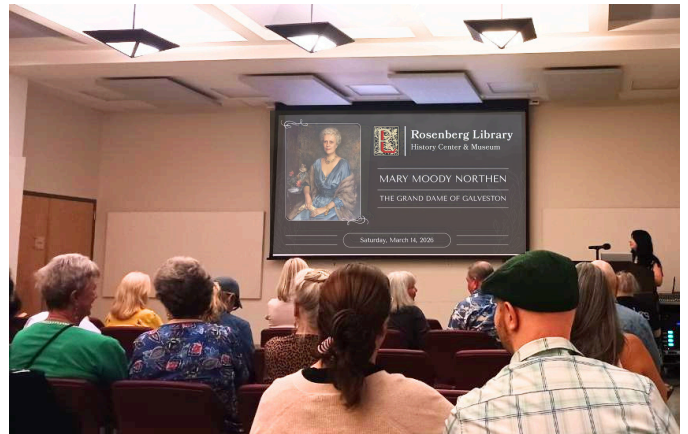
Database
use

GTCH Digital
views

\$ \$652.73 IN DONATIONS



Our new museum exhibit, "Setting Sail: Highlights from the Rosenberg Library's Maritime Collection," opened to the public! The exhibit highlights important places, people, and events in Galveston's maritime history and includes six ship models, artifacts from the ELISSA, Texas Navy, and the Battle of Galveston, three maritime flags, 33 maritime paintings, and more.



The Galveston and Texas History Center hosted a lecture highlighting Mary Moody Northen on March 14 in honor of Women's History Month. The lecture provided insight into her philanthropy, which earned her the nickname, "The Grand Dame of Galveston." Due to high interest and request, the lecture was also livestreamed on the library's YouTube Channel for patrons to view virtually.



March concluded our 2026 Galveston Reads programming! This year, we hosted Seattle-based author Elise Hooper whose novel, *The Library of Lost Dollhouses*, served as the focus for a variety of fun and intriguing programming. Pictured: Hooper (left) with Rosenberg Library Adult Services Librarian Evelina Williams (right), who coordinates all Galveston Reads events, at Galveston College's Seibel Wing where Hooper delivered a keynote speech followed by a Q&A session and book signing.