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The Library has more resources to offer than ever before and a variety of new services too. I encourage you to visit our web site for more information, and to return to it often. If you don't find what you need or have suggestions for the Library, please let us know. We are very interested in your feedback. A list of Library contacts, including the subject specialists for departments and programs, is available from the Staff link on our homepage.

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E-Resources – What's New?

◆ Toronto Star – Pages of the Past

The *Toronto Star – Pages of the Past*, an online archive of more than 30,000 back issues covering 1892 to 2001, is now available. It is possible to search for keyword, phrases and subjects from *The Star* and see the results highlighted in yellow on the page image of the newspaper as it was originally published. To access *The Toronto Star – Pages of the Past*, go to the Library's Database page and select the letter "T".

◆ Grove Art Online & Grove Music Online

Two of the most important resources for art and music are now available to Brock faculty, students and staff. *Grove Art Online* provides web access to the entire text of *The Dictionary of Art*, with annual additions of new material and updates to the text, plus extensive image links. Access is provided to over 40,050 articles and to over 40,000 art images. *Grove Art Online* is the most comprehensive and authoritative resource for the history of the visual arts. *Grove Music Online* integrates access to the complete contents of *The New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians*, *The New Grove Dictionary of Opera*, and *The New Grove Dictionary of Jazz*, and includes audio musical examples and links to images and sound. Both works have received high critical acclaim and are widely acknowledged as impressive feats of electronic publishing. *Grove Art Online* has been described as a "magnificent resource" that is "graphically crisp, elegant and easy to negotiate", while the words "masterpiece" and "magical" have been applied to *Grove Music Online*, the most comprehensive music resource on the web.

◆ Oxford Reference Online (Premier Collection)

An impressive collection of more than 130 titles published by Oxford University Press in a single cross-searchable resource, *Oxford Reference Online* (ORO for short) contains an extensive collection of language dictionaries and the *Oxford Dictionary of Quotations*. Subject reference works from a broad range of disciplines are also part of *ORO*, including the acclaimed *Oxford Companions* series, with titles such as *The Oxford Companion to the Earth*, *The Oxford Companion to Classical Civilization*, *The Oxford Companion to Politics of the World*, and much more. Access to *ORO* is available from both the Database page on the Library's web site and the catalogue.

◆ LawSource

LawSource is now accessible to valid users from any location on or off campus. Until recently, this product has only been available on selected workstations within the Library. **LawSource** contains full text Canadian case law and legislation, as well as the text of the *Canadian Abridgment*, *Canadian Encyclopedic Digest*, and selected law report articles. The *Index to Canadian Legal Literature* was recently added to enhance the product. Cases and laws can be noted up by name or citation, and the text of cases is linked throughout the various parts of the database.

What's Happening . . .

◆ ***The Lines of the Poet* Open House**

All faculty and staff are invited to an open house featuring an exhibit of ***The Lines of the Poet***, in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre Gallery on Thursday, September 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Published in 1981, ***The Lines of the Poet*** is a limited edition of a collection of poems and 13 original lithographs drawn from life by the Montreal artist Morton Rosengarten. The collection includes portraits of Margaret Atwood, Leonard Cohen, Michael Ondaatje, Al Purdy and others, and was donated to the James A. Gibson Library by Mr. John Brinckman. The Lines of the Poet exhibit runs from September 13-27. Following the exhibit, the lithographs will be on display in the Library.

◆ **Thai Librarians Visit Brock**

The Library staff are very happy to act as hosts for Piamsuk Thungkawee and Pornpimon Sansaney, two librarians from Srinakharinwirot University in Bangkok, Thailand who are spending the month of September in the Library through Brock International's Mentorship Program. The librarians are spending time in each department of the Library to see firsthand how our extensive services are organized, delivered and marketed.

◆ **7th Floor Browsing Area Reorganized**

The browsing area on the 7th floor of the Library has a new look. To make this area both functional and inviting, we have introduced tables, comfortable chairs and more electrical outlets for laptop users. Current and back issues of journals are now shelved together. It is worth noting that the Library's print subscriptions number around 1600 compared to more than 10,000 e-journal titles. We anticipate that students will make heavy use of this refurbished space.

New Workshop Series . . .

◆ **InfoSkills PLUS Designed To Enhance Students' Research Skills**

Faculty are encouraged to refer their students to a new series of valuable workshops offered jointly by the Library, the Student Development Centre and Career Services. Students who participate in the *InfoSkills PLUS* workshops will have an opportunity to improve their research skills by learning how to locate, cite and evaluate resources, conduct effective database searches and improve their essay writing skills. Participation in this workshop series will be documented on student transcripts.