November 11, 2022

Celebrate the Season with *Sylvan Roots* at the Lloyd Library

**Opening Reception**
Friday, December 9, 5-7 p.m.
Lloyd Library and Museum
Light refreshments

As winter approaches and we look toward the holidays, trees are an ever-present part of the season. Their strength and majesty provide examples of resilience and dignity. The Lloyd Library celebrates trees in its latest exhibition, *Sylvan Roots*, opening December 9. The exhibition takes its name from the Latin word “sylva,” meaning “wood or forest,” and the term “sylva,” which is used in early encyclopedic works and censuses of trees.

*Sylvan Roots* showcases the Lloyd’s extensive collection of books on trees spanning the 17th to 20th centuries and explores topics including the medicinal properties of trees, the fruits and nuts they bear, and the military and economic uses of trees. A journey through the exhibition reveals an evolving perspective of trees from a utilitarian viewpoint to a focus on botany and the plants. Feast your eyes on vibrant illustrations depicting leaves, fruit, and bark. Exhibition highlights include *Sylva* by John Evelyn (1664), and the first published work on trees of North America, *The North American Sylva*, by François André Michaux (1817-1819). The exhibition continues through March 24.

In the gallery, view the stunning nature photography of Rick Conner and TJ Vissing. *Threads of Light* is a photo exhibit that tells the story of how light weaves it’s magic through the Big Darby Creek region of Central Ohio.
Ring in the holiday season and revel with others in the beauty and multiple vantage points offered by trees.

**Holiday Open House**

December 17, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Slip away from the hectic activities of the holidays with a stop at the Lloyd Library and Museum. Experience peace and calm when visiting one of Cincinnati’s premier research libraries, explore *Sylvan Roots* and enjoy hot chocolate and cookies.

**Shop for Unique Gifts**

Looking for special gifts you won’t find anywhere else? The Lloyd shop features prints, cards, coffee mugs, pillows, totes and more, all drawn from Lloyd Library collections. Shoppers will find special discounts on November 19 at the Lloyd’s Holiday Preview Sale. Unique and beautiful items from the Lloyd Shop are sure to delight those who receive them.

**Watch for more programs in the New Year celebrating trees!** Starting in January, the Lloyd offers events from urban walking tours, to lectures, panel discussions, webinars, and a movie night on topics including, botany, conservation, and the medicinal and healing properties of trees. See calendar for details.

Located at 917 Plum St. in Cincinnati, Ohio, the Lloyd is open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday and the third Saturday of the month. For more information or to schedule a visit, contact the Library at (513) 721-3707 or email contact@lloydlibrary.org or visit LloydLibrary.org.