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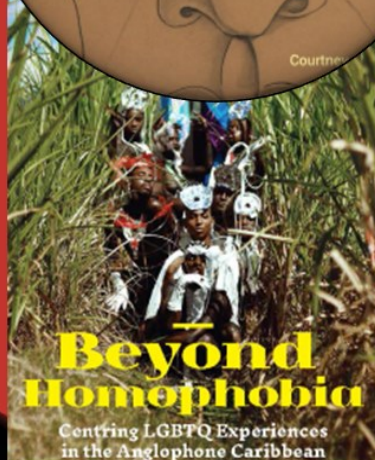
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# Library Open Week 2020

VIRTUAL EDITION



The UWI Mona Library Open Week 2020 was held October 26-30, 2020. This was the 5th anniversary of the event and its 1st virtual staging.

The event showcased the various resources, services and talents, accessible through the Library. There were five virtual events, including the launch. There was also a virtual exhibit and an activity in the form of a virtual relaxation room which was linked to relaxing music, exercises and tips for self-care.

## Celebration of Books Exhibition

The week commenced with a virtual launch and Celebration of Books Exhibition on Monday October 26. The event showcased 17 books written or edited by UWI staff. Some of the authors presented video taped lightening talks on their books at the launch. An online catalogue of all the books, was also shared. At the end of the virtual event attendees were invited to view the virtual exhibit which featured information on the authors and their works.

The UWI featured co-author, Vivette Milson-Whyte, Senior Lecturer in Language, Linguistics and Philosophy was later one of the recipients of the Modern Language Association of America 36th Mina P. Shaughnessy Prize for the book *Creole Composition*.

[Click here to view the exhibition](#)

# UWIScholar WORKSHOP

The UWIScholar Workshop, presented as part of Library Open Week 2020 was well received and well attended by UWI Mona professional staff. UWIScholar is an information portal designed to improve UWI researchers' visibility locally and internationally using the World Wide Web. The presenter was our Systems Librarian, Ms. Audrey Saddler, who took workshop participants through the process of creating their scholarly, academic and professional profile on the UWIScholar platform.

## E-Resources Fair 2020

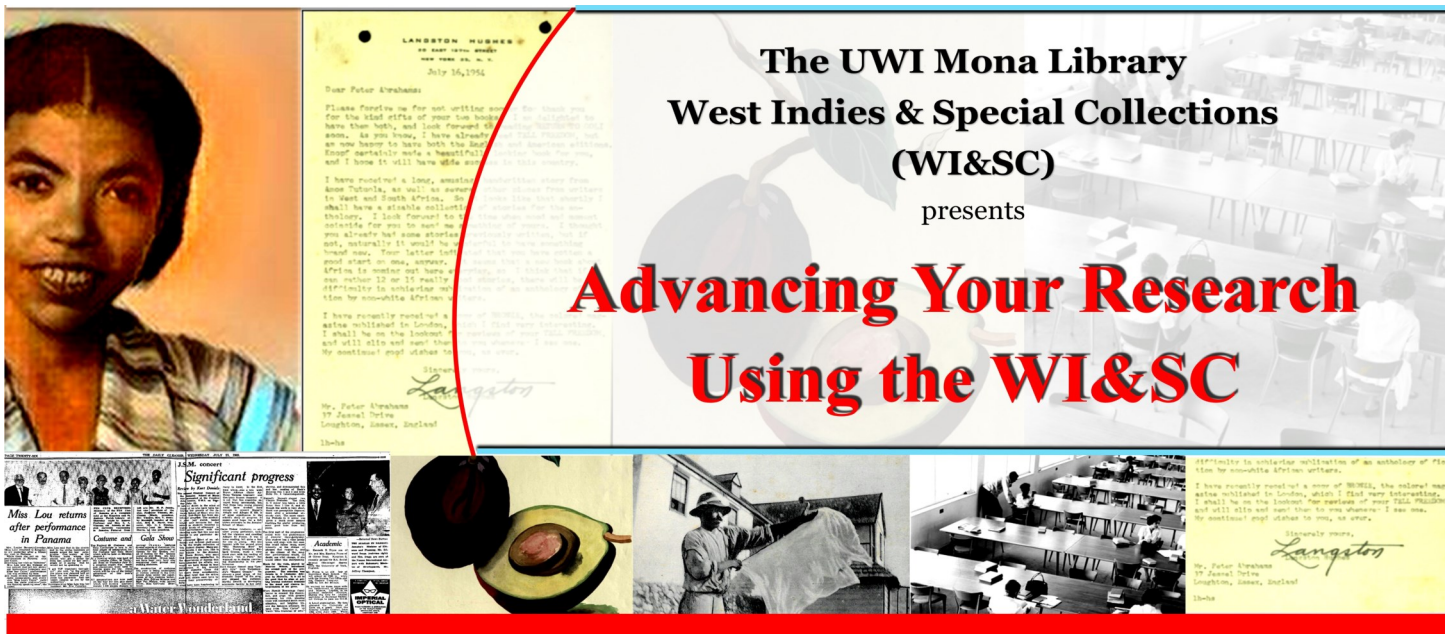
Another exciting staging of the Library's Annual E-Resources Fair took place on October 27, 2020, during Library Open Week; this time in the virtual space. The Fair was originally conceptualized by Mrs. Faith McKoy-Johnson, Librarian, Medical Branch Library. The focus was again on all the electronic resources accessible through the Mona Library.



Highlights of the Fair included an informative and stimulating presentation by EBSCO's Regional Manager Damien Satterthwaite who provided tips and tricks on how to make optimal use of EBSCO's online platform. Other key presentations included an overview of the Library's e-resources by Mrs. Faith McKoy-Johnson, live demonstration of several of the Library's databases by Mrs. Karlene Nelson and Advanced UWILinC searching, presented by Miss Yolanda Tugwell.

The gaming segment was managed by Mrs. Beverley Eccleston-Burte and additional support was provided by Dr. Alicia Palmer, Instructional Design Specialist. Prizes, which contributed to the excitement of the Fair, were comprised of a number of gift certificates redeemable at The UWI Bookshop.





**The UWI Mona Library  
West Indies & Special Collections  
(WI&SC)**

presents

**Advancing Your Research  
Using the WI&SC**

UWI Researchers benefited from a webinar hosted by the Librarians of the West Indies and Special Collections (WI&SC) of the Mona Library. The emphasis was on how to use the variety of primary and other resources housed in the WI&SC to make their research more engaging and informative to academics and the general public.

**Improving The UWI IP Ecosystem**

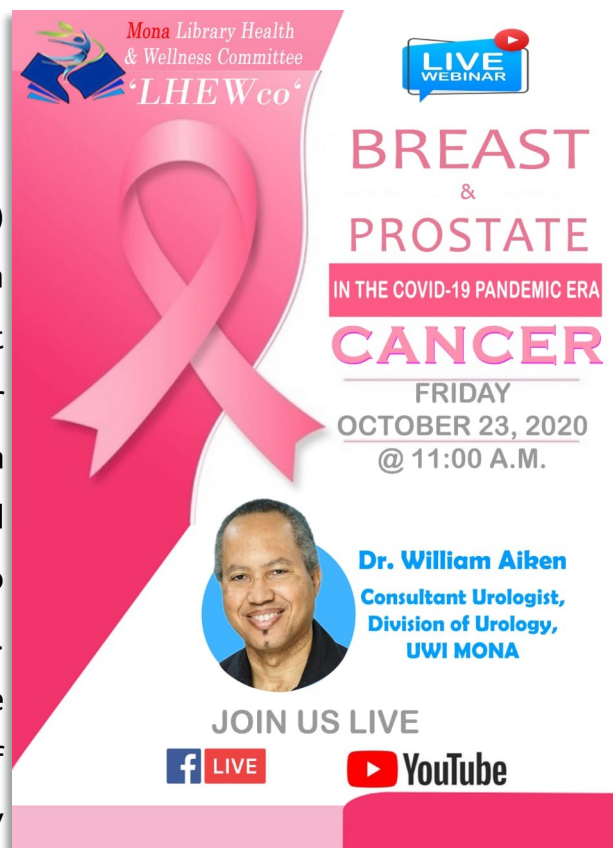


The webinar, “Improving the UWI IP Ecosystem,” held in commemoration of the 1st anniversary of the Technology & Innovation Support Centre Intellectual Property (TISC)/IP Help Desk, was held on Thursday, October 29, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. This event which was a collaboration between the Mona Library and Jamaica Intellectual Property Office (JIPO),

showcased a panel of international presenters including, Mr. Ituku Elangi Botoy, Industrial Property Information Officer, TISC Development Section, WIPO; Mr. James Tonny Lubwama, Manager, Patents and Industrial Designs, Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB); Mr. Nour-Eddine Boukharouaa, Head of Innovation and Technology Transfer, Moroccan Office of Industrial and Commercial Property (OMPIC). Other presentations were made by Dr. Paulette Kerr, Campus Librarian, UWI Mona; Ms. Lily Claire Bellamy, Executive Director of JIPO and Mr. David Neil, a beneficiary of the Mona Library TISC & IP Help Desk. The event closed in a commemorative cake cutting by Dr. Kerr and Ms. Bellamy. A total of 87 persons worldwide attended the webinar.

# LHEWco's Webinar on Breast and Prostate Cancer

The Mona Library Health & Wellness Committee (LHEWco) hosted one of several webinars for the year 2020 on October 23. The focus of that webinar was managing breast and prostate cancer during the pandemic. The key presenter was Dr. William Aiken, Consultant Urologist at The UWI Mona who shared the facts about prostate cancer and addressed some of the myths. He was joined by two women who shared from their personal experiences with breast cancer. They were Dorothy Satchwell, a member of MistyBlue Cancer Foundation Limited, and Julie Lynch, a member of the Jamaica Reach for Recovery. The women spoke very candidly about their experiences and also shared a message of hope and survival.



Mona Library Health & Wellness Committee  
'LHEWco'

LIVE WEBINAR

BREAST & PROSTATE CANCER  
IN THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ERA

FRIDAY  
OCTOBER 23, 2020  
@ 11:00 A.M.

Dr. William Aiken  
Consultant Urologist,  
Division of Urology,  
UWI MONA

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## Remote Teaching and Virtual Thesis Scrutiny



The Mona Information Literacy Unit began Semester 1 with all its Information Literacy (IL) Sessions moved online and presented primarily via the Zoom platform due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. The Librarians were trained in using the Zoom platform in August 2020 and individual refresher sessions for Zoom were held in September 2020.

During the first two weeks of September, users received online training in optimizing the use of the Library's portal, UWlinC, Monday to Saturday. UWlinC sessions were scheduled for both day and evening.

Following on the heels of the UWlinC sessions were the information literacy sessions delivered to students doing Foundation courses. These were delivered during the period September 28, 2020-October 16, 2020. Seven sessions per week, from Monday to Saturday, were facilitated at various



times. Additionally, other IL sessions were conducted; presenting to just under 4,000 participants during the period August to November 2020. These sessions covered topics such as teaching using Zoom, popular citation styles such as APA 7th edition, MLA 8th edition and Chicago 17th edition among other topics.

Librarians continued the work of thesis consultations and thesis scrutiny as well. These were received and issued electronically. Thesis certificates were also issued to the Office of Graduate Studies and Research for finalizing graduate students.

## Highlights of World Quality Day 2020

### The UWI Mona Library: Creating Customer Value Culture



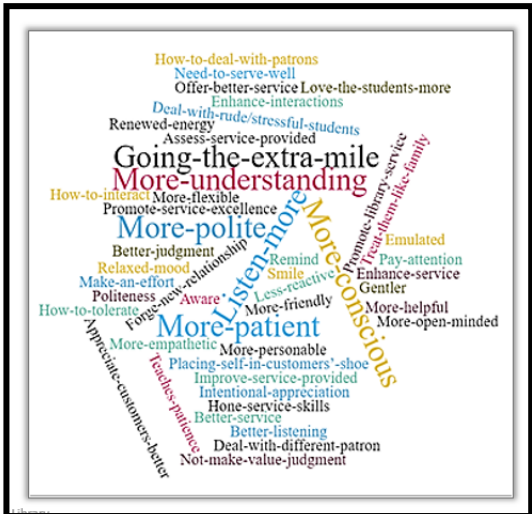
The Mona Library participated in World Quality Day 2020 celebrations by producing a video to educate the UWI Community about the Library's customer value culture.

[Click here](#) to watch the video.

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In 2015, a new campus librarian was appointed to The UWI, Mona Library, whose vision and initiatives are geared towards “communicating the value of the Library”; engaging in “deep collaboration” and “enhanced partnerships”; “excellent customer service”; “purposeful staff development”; and planning towards a “state-of-the-art Library” (Library Annual Report 2015/16).

Paulette Kerr, PhD  
Campus Librarian  
The UWI, Mona Campus



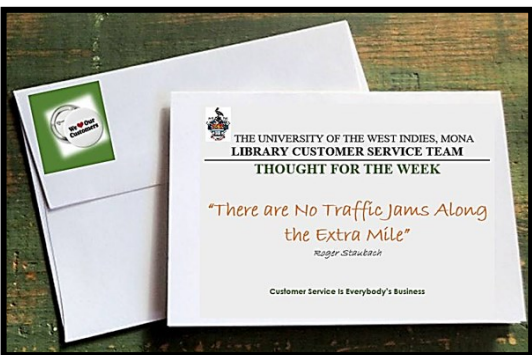
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**Editors' Forum | 'The Connector' - New Principal Of UWI, Mona, Vows To Ensure Improved Customer Service During His Tenure**

<http://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/news/20181111/editors-forum-connector-new-principal-uw-mona-vows-ensure-improved-customer>

**Audio clip from The Gleaner Co. (Media) Limited**



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