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**Thomas G. Carpenter Library
University of North Florida**

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**Art Libraries Society Southeast Chapter
November 13, 2015**

Thomas G. Carpenter Library

- Receives over 800K visitors a year
- Increasing need for more group study space, quiet study areas, presentation support, and laptops to checkout
- Students wanted more flexible furniture and wireless connectivity



Learning Commons Project

- Floors 1 and 2, completed summer of 2015
- Increased seating capacity, group study areas, laptops, added collaboration stations, and a presentation practice space
- 1438 new electrical outlets and more data ports were added
- New sound masking systems allow groups to study in close proximity
- ITS Help Desk and Call Center moved into the library



**First Floor
Carpet
&
Furniture**



First floor - before



Collaborative Study Neighborhood Summer 2013



First floor - after



Post and beam



Second floor - before



Second floor, during



Second floor - after



Artwork, Security, and Hardware



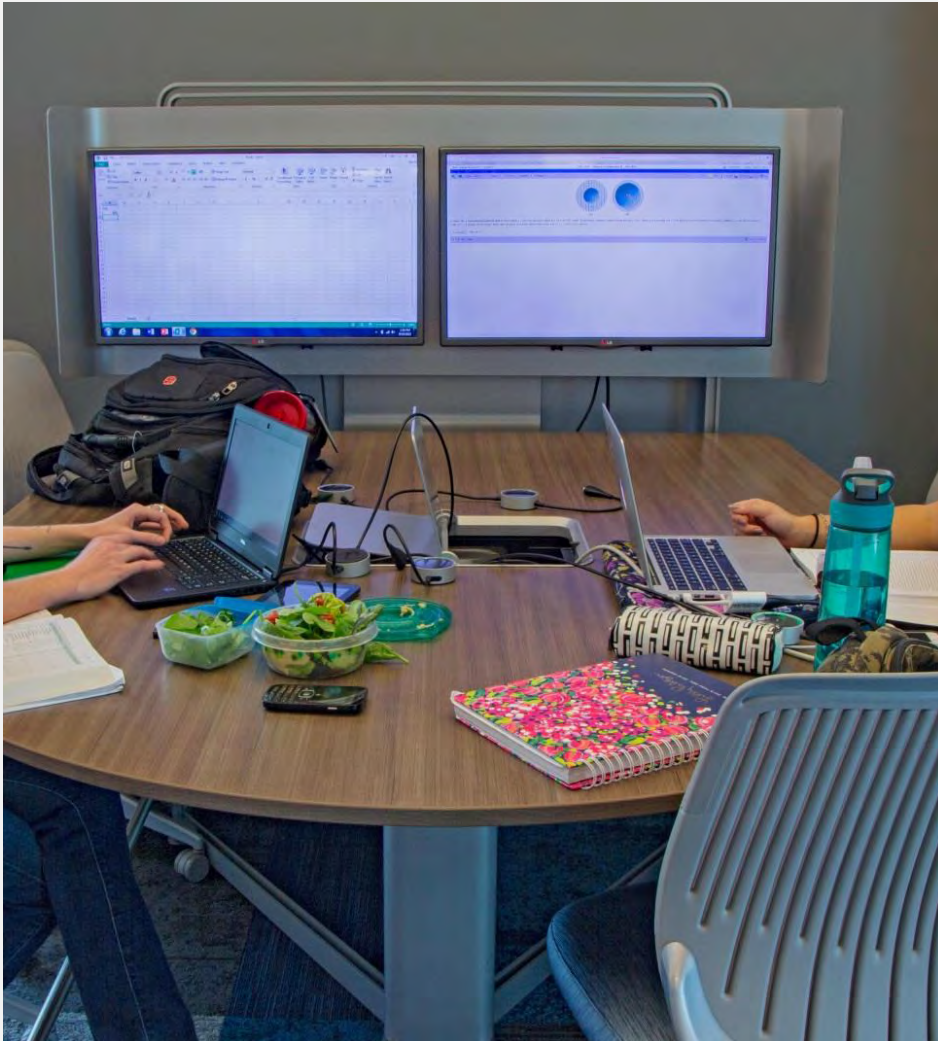
- Tampering
- Security hardware
- Storage and updating the inventory
- Caring for frames
- Hire experts



Osprey Spirit SOARS at Your Library



Collaboration Stations



- Dual displays
- Single displays
- Roaming



Writable walls and whiteboards



Writable partitions



The Finale: New Artwork

- The library reached out to sculpture professor Jenny Hager, who teaches an *Enlivened Spaces* public sculpture course
- October 2014, A committee reviewed proposals by 7 students.



Graham Study Area - before



Sculptures by Mary Ratcliff



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Thank you!



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