

## Florida Folklife: A Pathfinder

The CFCC Library is an excellent source for information about Florida folklife. The purpose of this pathfinder is to provide a general overview of the variety of resources available to help you learn more about Florida folklife in conjunction with the CFCC Library's newest special collection on Will McLean, the "father of Florida folk and Florida's troubadour." If you would like assistance in locating or using these resources or the special collection (located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor), please ask a Reference Librarian for help. According to *Webster's Third New International Dictionary*, folklore is defined as "traditional customs, beliefs, dances, songs, tales or sayings preserved orally and unreflectively among a people or group" (882).

### **BOOKS and VIDEOS**

LINCCWeb stations provide a listing of books and videos which are owned by the CFCC Library as well as access to the library holdings of all Florida community colleges, more than 90 full-text article databases and the internet. You can search for a book on LINCCWeb by author, title or subject. All books about Florida folklife, both circulating and reference, are located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Library in a variety of sections such as GR or F. Subject headings related to Florida folklife include:

Folklore—Florida	Folk music	Folk songs
African Americans—Folklore	Folk musicians	Folk art
Florida—Social Life and Customs	Florida—History	Florida in Literature
Zora Neale Hurston	Stetson Kennedy	Will McLean

A few titles of interest include:

*Florida Folktales* edited by J. Russell Reaver

GR110 .F5 F57 1987

*Florida Sand: Original Songs and Stories of Florida* by Will McLean

PS3525 .A266 F55 1969

*Folklore and Folklife: An Introduction* edited by Richard Dobson

GR65 .D57

*Tellable Cracker Tales* by Annette J. Bruce

GR110 .F5 B78 1996

### **PERIODICALS**

Magazines are a major source of very recent information on a topic. The best way to find information in magazines is to use a magazine index, which will give you the exact location where an article can be found. General LINCCWeb database indexes, which may cover Florida folklife, include *Academic Search Premier*, *Expanded Academic ASAP*, and *Reader's Guide Full Text* and other more specialized databases include *Art Full Text*, *Daily Life Online*, *Florida's Newspapers*, *Grove Art and Music Online*, *History Reference Center*, *Humanities Full Text*, *Humanities International Index*, *Social Sciences Full Text* and *World Folklore and Folklife*. Most LINCCWeb databases are full-text and the articles may be printed out for 10 cents per page or sent electronically to any valid email address.

The Library also subscribes to nearly 250 magazines, professional journals and newspapers. Check LINCCWeb or the [CFCC Periodical List](#) for specific titles. Magazines are available in the Periodical Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor and are for use in the Library only. Copies may be made for 10 cents per page.

American Artist	The Instrumentalist
American Heritage	National Geographic
Florida Historical Quarterly	Outdoor Life
Florida History & the Arts Magazine	Smithsonian
Humanities	Southern Living

### ***INTERNET***

The internet is available in the Library through any LINCCWeb station. The following websites covering Florida folklife, by no means comprehensive, are current as of printing:

Florida Folklore Society

<http://sfdm.ucf.edu/heritagealliance/ffs/>

Florida Folklore from the WPA Collection (from the Library of Congress' American Memory Project)

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/flwpahtml/flwpahome.html>

The American Folklore Society

<http://www.afsnet.org>

Florida State Office of Cultural and Historical Programs

<http://dhr.dos.state.fl.us>

The Stetson Kennedy Foundation

<http://www.stetsonkenedy.com> and/or <http://www.stetsonkenedy.org>

The Will McLean Foundation

<http://www.willmclean.com>

Florida Folk Festival

<http://www.floridastateparks.org/folkfest/>

Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park

<http://www.stephenfostercso.org/>

Florida Folk Music Homepage

<http://www.floridafolkmusic.org/>

Friends of Florida Folk

<http://www.foff.org/>

### ***REFERENCE FACULTY***

If you have any questions, please ask! We are here to help!

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