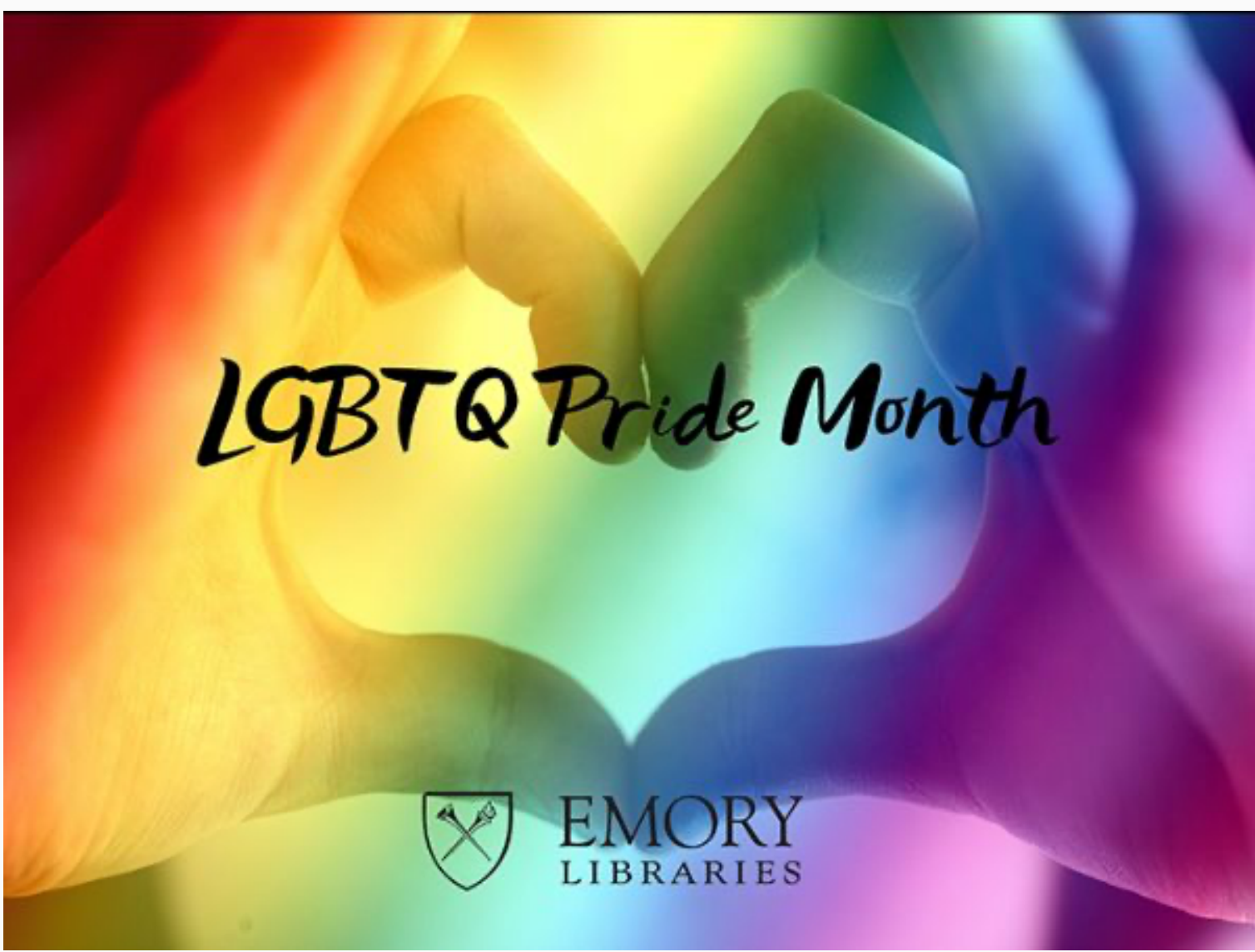


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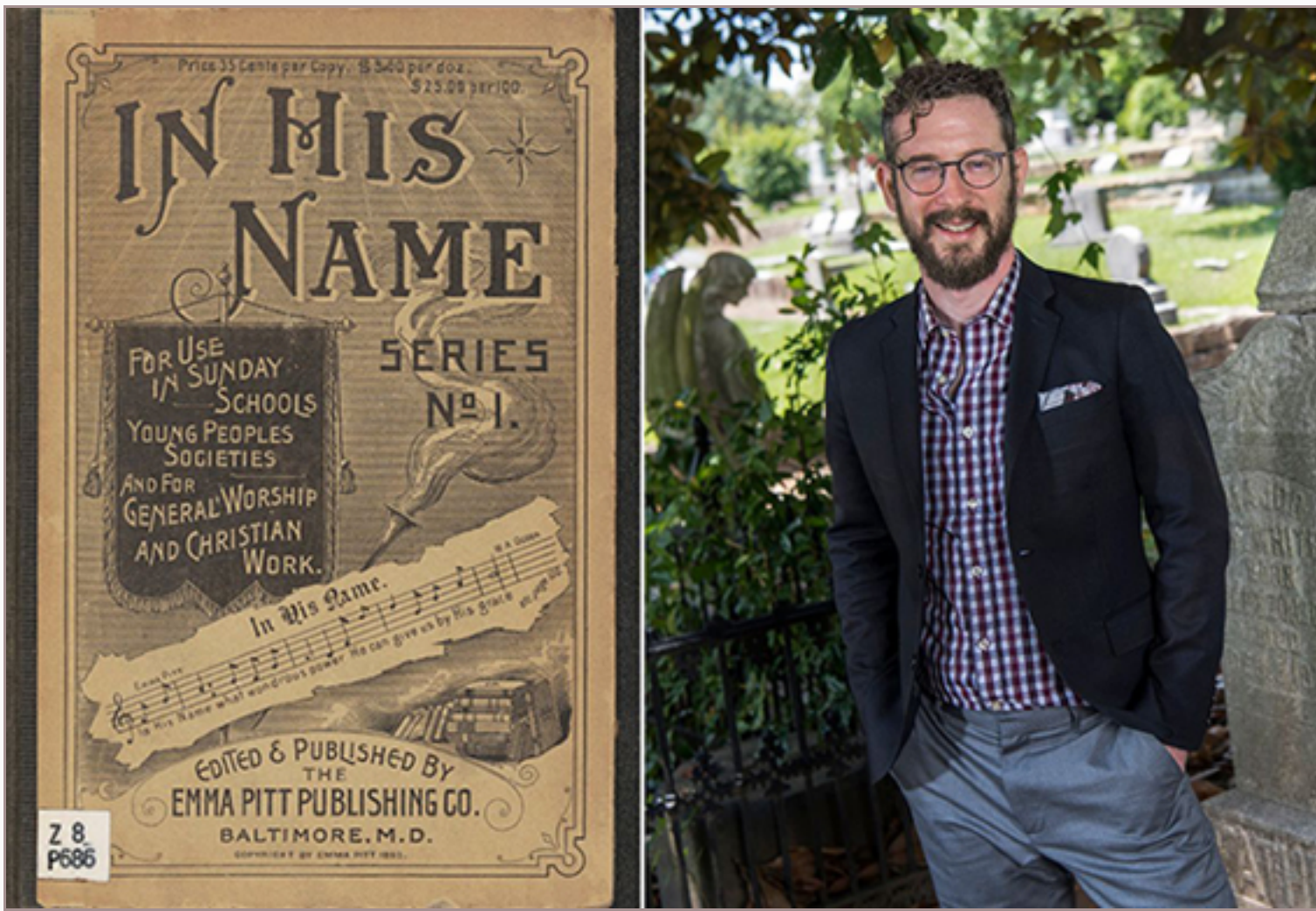
Celebrating Pride Month

As we wrap up June and Pride Month, we’re reminded that celebrating our LGBTQ+ friends, family members, and colleagues isn’t limited to just June, as Rose Library outreach archivist Gaby Hale writes. Read her blog on the LGBTQ+ collections at Rose and the stories they tell about finding your identity and being true to yourself. Included are the papers of Georgia-born playwright and author Shay Youngblood, who sadly passed away this month from cancer.

Then check out the Woodruff Library blog from our LGBTQ Studies librarian Russ Peterson, who wrote about his trip to the Rainbow Book Fair in Greenwich Village and the books he purchased for the Emory Libraries collections.

[Read the Rose Library blog](#)

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Sounding Spirit project lands fourth NEH grant for indexing phase

We’re happy to announce that the Sounding Spirit Collaborative, led by Jesse P. Karlsberg (pictured above), has received a grant for \$349,929 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to create a Hymnody Index for its digitized library of sacred songbooks.

Emory Center for Digital Scholarship manages Sounding Spirit, a collaborative of multiple archival institutions that have contributed rare songbooks from 1850-1925 containing a variety of gospel, spiritual, and other multid denominational tunes and their various arrangements. The collection of these songs helps document the crossover with American folk music and the development of gospel, blues, and other commercial music genres. Not to mention the Sounding Spirit’s digital library is a trove for researchers and choral directors.

[Read the article](#)



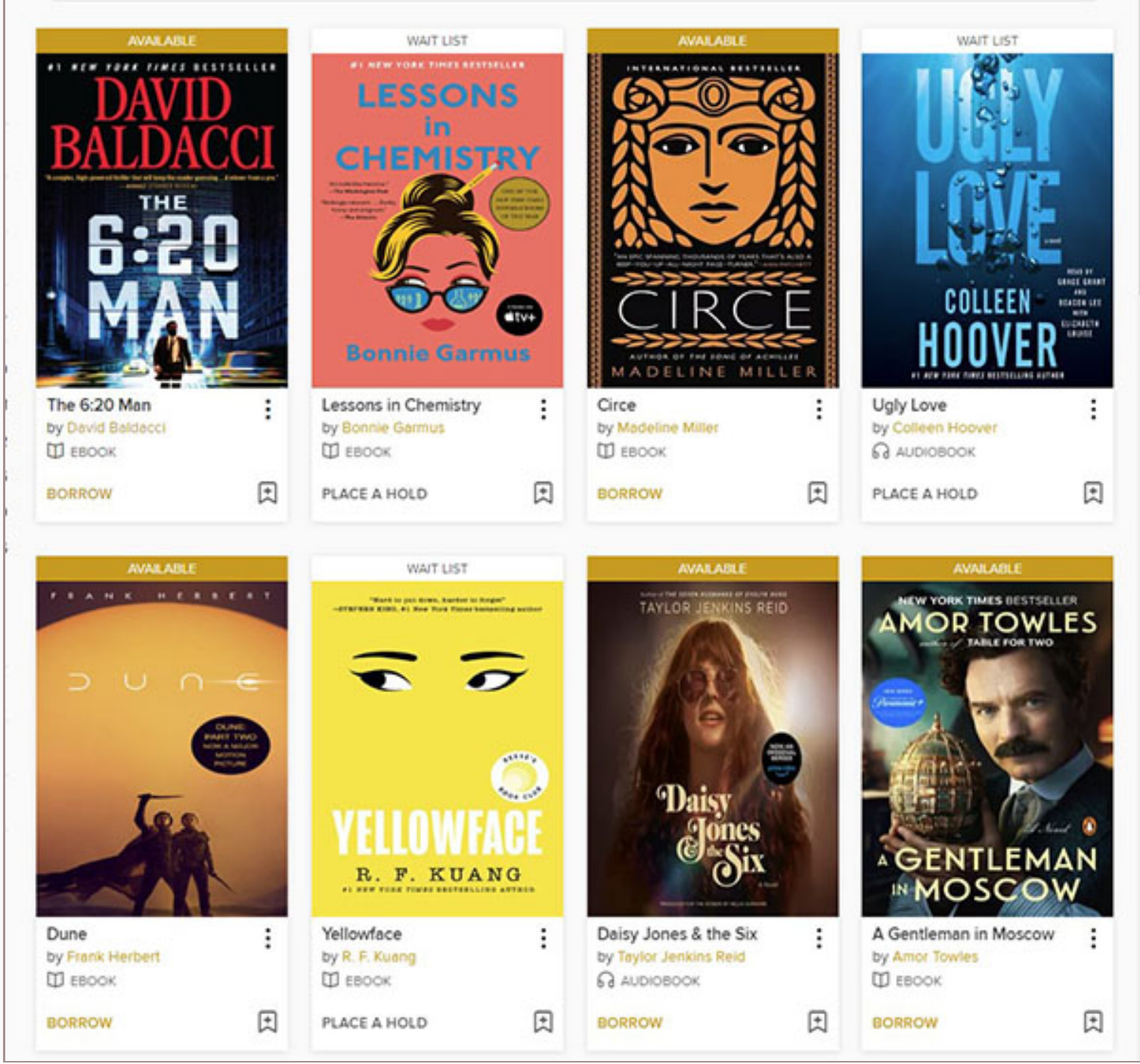
“Crossroads” exhibition draws celebrity interest

Our exhibition “At the Crossroads with Benny Andrews, Flannery O’Connor, and Alice Walker” has attracted a variety of visitors, including actor/director Ethan Hawke and his daughter, actress Maya Hawke. The two toured the exhibition last month when they were in town for a screening of “Wildcat,” their new film about O’Connor’s life and writing career. Ethan co-wrote and directed the film and Maya stars as O’Connor. They took part in a Creativity Conversation with the curators after the screening.

Hurry in to tour the “Crossroads” exhibition soon – it will close on July 12. (Please note Woodruff Library is closed on Sundays and on Thursday, July 4.)

[Read the article on the Hawkes’s visit](#)

[Find more information about the exhibition](#)



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