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Jeff Makala holds a poster for the reading while poets Len Lawson and Glenis Redmond sign it for the library's collection.

A new anthology of South Carolina poetry edited by Furman University faculty members is now available. The anthology, "Archive: South Carolina Poetry Since 2005," is edited by retired Furman English professors Gil Allen and Bill Rogers, and Jeffrey Makala, special collections librarian and university archivist at the James B. Duke Library. It is published by Ninety-Six Press and includes the writings of 46 contemporary South Carolina poets.

Ninety-Six Press, established at Furman University in 1991, has published over 20 volumes of poetry by South Carolina authors. It is now part of the South Carolina Poetry Archives in the Department

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of Special Collections and Archives in the James B. Duke Library. The South Carolina Poetry Archives contains the papers and manuscripts of over 20 South Carolina poets and a comprehensive collection of the published writings of all South Carolina poets.

To celebrate National Poetry Month and the

publication of "Archive: South Carolina Poetry Since 2005," the Friends of the Furman University Libraries and the Furman English department hosted a group poetry reading in the Trone Student Center April 11. Over 15 poets whose works appear in the anthology participated in the reading and discussion.

Copies of the book are available in the Furman bookstore, at Fiction Addiction and M. Judson Booksellers in Greenville, or directly through the James B. Duke Library. For more information, or to order copies, contact Julia Cowart at 864.294.2194 or julia.cowart@furman.edu.

