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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

David Finfrock's Antarctic map collection anchors new UTA exhibit:

Facilitated by the media relations team, [NBC5](#) visited UTA Libraries Special Collections to preview the new Antarctica map exhibit complementing the 15th Biennial Virginia Garrett Lectures on the History of Cartography, titled "[Frozen Frontiers: 500 Years of Mapping Antarctica](#)." Former NBC5 meteorologist David Finfrock donated Antarctica maps, books, and prints featured in the exhibit, including historic maps dating from 1548 to 2002.



EXPERT INSIGHTS

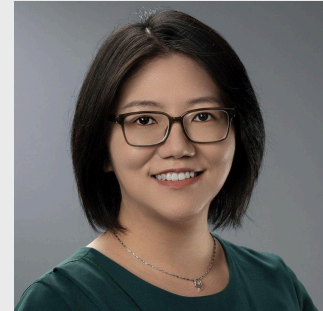


Happy National Coffee Day! Here's how coffee helps keep you alert and focused:

Facilitated by the media relations team, Stephen Lomber, professor of psychology and neuroscience, explained to [The Dallas Morning News](#) how coffee keeps us awake and focused.

Why do we love fiery foods if they hurt?: Facilitated by the media relations team, [The Dallas Morning News](#) sought the expertise of Yuan Peng, professor of psychology, to tackle our love of spicy foods—despite the agony. Blame it on the capsaicin, Dr. Peng says. [MSN](#) shared this story.

Rain ends an over-100-day streak of blistering heat in DFW: Facilitated by the media relations team, Yunyao Li, assistant professor of earth and environmental sciences, told [The Dallas Morning News](#) why the more than 100-day streak of temperatures above 90 degrees came to a sudden end. [Yahoo!](#) shared the story.



Can we vaccinate people against scams? Researchers are testing new ways to fight online fraud: Fangzhou Wang, assistant professor of criminology and criminal justice who studies online financial crimes, was a guest on [Scientific American's Science Quickly](#) podcast to discuss how AI is transforming online romance scams.

MORE NEWS

Made in Tarrant: Arlington craft brand brings detail-oriented products: The [Fort Worth Report](#) wrote about UTA alums Jeremy Su and Matthew Turner, who started a business to create craft supplies that made working on craft projects easier and more fun.

Some websites require registration or subscription before viewing the entire story.

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