

BORROW A LIBRARIAN

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How does it work?

1. Select your **librarian**.
2. Pick a 30-minute slot between **09:00 and 15:00**, available from **Monday to Friday**, **between 10 and 27 March**.
3. Send us the details at **library@um.edu.mt**.
4. Look forward to receiving the confirmation!



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Josette



Stephanie



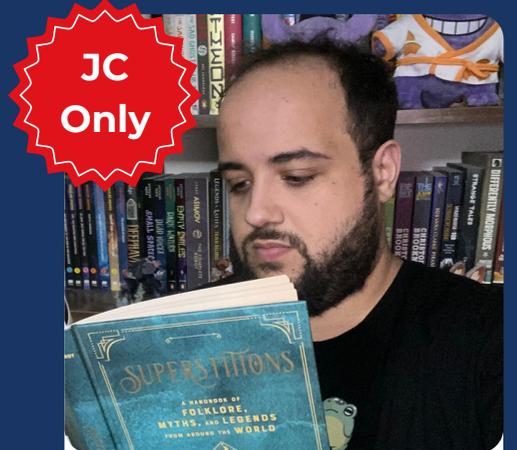
Martin



Luke



Pavol



Andrew



Ryan



Agata

HELLO, I'M
Josette

Surviving University: Advice on Dealing with Student Stress

Josette Vassallo, affectionately known as the "Mother of the Library," is the heart and soul of the library community. If you can't see her, you'll likely hear her lively voice echoing through the halls. Josette is always ready to greet students with a warm smile and assist them with any query, whether library-related or not. Need someone to talk to? Josette is always there, making sure everyone feels welcome and supported.

Talk to me about:

**Dealing with University stress,
navigating the UM Library.**

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HELLO, I'M **Stephanie**

Roots and Whiskers: A Guide to Gardening, Cats, and the Great Outdoors

Stephanie Formosa is a cataloguer with a zest for adventure and the great outdoors. She enjoys trekking and discovering new places in Malta and abroad, snapping photos of cute cats and dogs she meets along the way. Oh and by the way, she is proud of being the office green fingers, loves reading (obviously!) and challenging people at UNO!

Talk to me about:

HyDi, navigating the UM Library, plants and gardening, traveling and outdoor activities.

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HELLO, I'M **Martin**

Strengthening Your Mind and Body: Creative Writing, Fitness, and Chess

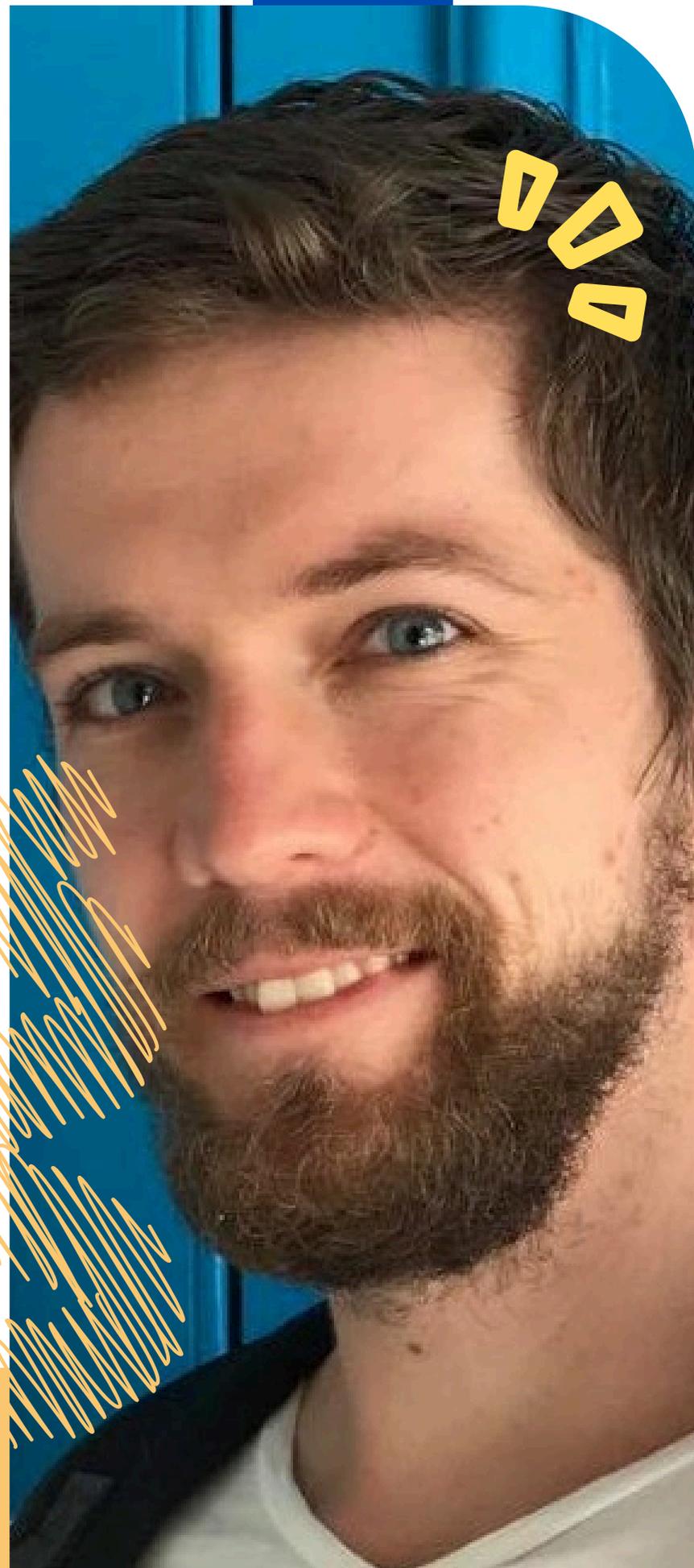
Martin Lochman is an outreach librarian who likes to both consume and create science fiction literature. When not reading or writing, he invests his time and energy in working out physically (bodyweight fitness) and mentally (Chess), though, admittedly, the latter can oftentimes be a somewhat frustrating endeavour.

Talk to me about:

HyDi, RefWorks, Open Science, Alternative Research Tools, fitness, nutrition, Sci-Fi and writing short stories, chess.

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HELLO, I'M **Luke**

Preserving the Past,
Exploring the Future:
Archives, Analytics,
and the Great Outdoors

Luke Brincat works at the Digitisation Unit and has a keen interest in the digital preservation of historical materials. Beyond the archives, he has an eye for photography and is an outdoor enthusiast, spending his free time trekking, camping, honing his survival skills in the wild, and being an active Scout.

Talk to me about:

Archival/Manuscript Digitisation, Digital Archives, Data Preservation, Analytics (Oracle Business Intelligence), photography, scouts, camping & trekking, outdoor survival.

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HELLO, I'M **Pavol**

From open science to healthy living – connecting data, teaching, and wellbeing.

Pavol works at the Open Science Department, helping people understand why research data actually matters (yes, data is powerful).

When he's not working with researchers and academics, he teaches English to adults in Malta and helps them level up their communication skills.

Outside of work? You'll probably find him running, training, or doing something fitness-related. Healthy lifestyle is the vibe.

Talk to me about:

Power of data, health, teaching, and even hyperthyroidism.

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HELLO, I'M **Andrew**

Myths, Muffins, and Magic: A Journey Through Folklore, Baking, and Board Games

Andrew Zammit Montebello is a library assistant with a passion for stories, tactile games, and creative experiments. He enjoys baking unique recipes, crafting short stories, and exploring classic fables from fresh perspectives. Andrew also loves immersive games, especially ones where he plays a trapped librarian in a besieged library.

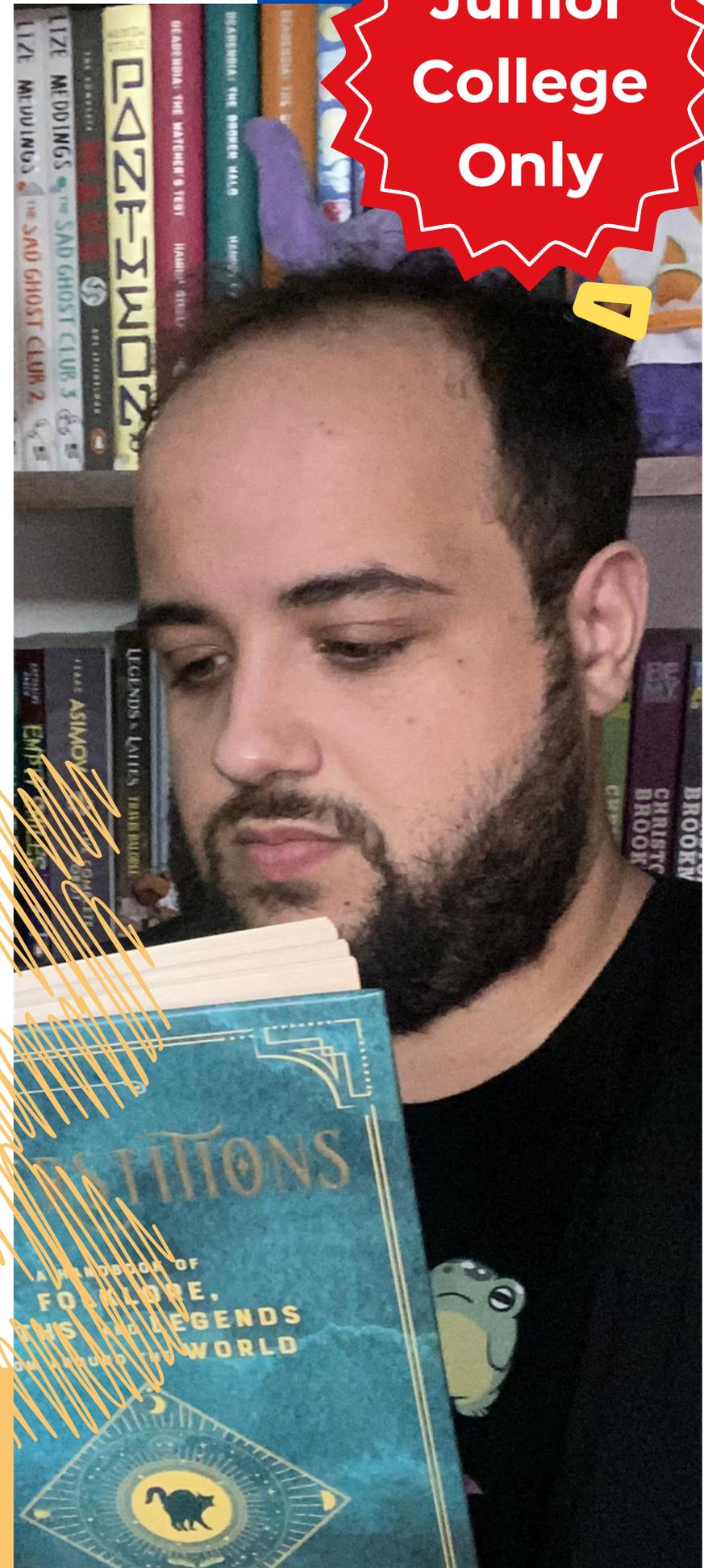
Talk to me about:

Navigating Junior College Library, fables & folklore, creative writing, board games, Pokemon, baking and Journal RPG Games.

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HELLO, I'M **Agata**

From Systematic Reviews to K-Dramas: Exploring Research and Travel

Agata Scicluna Derkowska is an outreach librarian with a passion for helping others navigate research. Her professional interests focus on conducting systematic and scoping reviews. Outside of work, Agata enjoys eating delicious food, playing computer games, watching K-dramas and planning her next adventure abroad.

Talk to me about:

Systematic and scoping reviews, tips on planning trips abroad (with special interest in Japan).

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HELLO, I'M **Ryan**

Sipping Cocktails and Casting Spells: A Culinary Adventure from a Geek's point of view

Ryan Scicluna is an outreach librarian with a passion for connecting people and ideas. A fan of comics, pop culture, and Magic: The Gathering, Ryan loves to unwind with a perfectly mixed Old Fashioned or a delicious plate of pasta.

Talk to me about:

HyDi, RefWorks, navigating UM Library, comics, Pop-Culture, movies, academic libraries, marketing, outreach and community building, food and cocktails.

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