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AMAZING THINGS ARE HAPPENING HERE!

## RESOURCE HIGHLIGHT

Check out this new DVD:

**MOTHER**  
Caring for 7 Billion

<http://www.motherthefilm.com/>



The film focuses on overpopulation but also addresses the very complex problems that have led us to our crowded world. ....

LibraryJournal.com—  
Video Reviews

## SUMMER IS A TIME FOR GOODBYES & HELLOS!

Beginning of summer is when we say goodbye to our graduating students and welcome new ones. While the new students settle in and find out how the library can help them,

<http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/individuals-new-columbia>

the new alumni leave with the gift of privileges they can still enjoy after their departure from Columbia, such as access to the entire content of JAMA, and more:

<https://alumni-friends.library.columbia.edu/index.html>.

We wish all of them best of luck!



## MOBILE APPS YOU CAN USE

The increase in the use of mobile devices has spurred the development of an array of applications for both iPhones and Androids. Many of the electronic databases available at Columbia either have mobile platforms or are optimized to work smoothly on mobile devices. Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/7xx4dy5> and choose from a selection of general tools, such as [CLIO](#), [WorldCat](#), and [Summon](#) or more specialized ones, such as [Web of Knowledge](#), [Scopus](#), [PubMed](#), [Medline Plus](#), and [IEEEExplore](#).

This list is not comprehensive. There are

other databases, such as Micromedex, for example, which are not included. Micromedex, a drug-information resource produced by Thomson Reuters, has apps for both Apple and Android devices and they may be downloaded for free through the [Apple Store](#) or the [Android Market](#), respectively.

Another example is SciVerse, the Elsevier platform for Scopus and Science Direct, with many applications that may be used to customize these resources. Learn more at:

<http://www.applications.sciverse.com/action/gallery>.

## SUMMER HOURS

**Monday - Thursday**  
8 AM to 8 PM

**Friday**  
8 AM to 6 PM

**Saturday**  
10 AM to 6 PM

**Sunday**  
Noon to 8 PM

## THE GREEN MARKET IS BACK!

The Green Market has returned to the Medical Center every Tuesday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, on the same location as last year, in front of Hammer Building on the north west side of Fort Washington Avenue and 168th Street. Visit the market and take advantage of its rich selection of fruit, vegetables, artisanal cheeses and bread, baked goods, and flowers.





## QUICK SECURITY TIPS

Practicing good security needn't be time-consuming, here are some quick tips you can start using immediately:

### 1. Make your passwords longer.

While it's always important to use complex, strong passwords (containing a mix of upper and lower case letters, numbers and special characters with no word that can be found in a dictionary), adding extra characters to your password - even if they repeat - can greatly increase the amount of time needed by a password cracking program:

<https://secure.cumc.columbia.edu/cumcit/secure/policy/password.html#tips>

### 2. Set automatic updating for your operating system (OS) and antivirus programs.

Hackers target known flaws in operating systems and other software, which keeps software programmers and vendors busy releasing updates to patch these flaws. If you are not receiving updates as they are released, your system is vulnerable to attacks. Check and change these settings quickly:

*Windows 7* – Select Start – Control Panel - Windows Update - Change Settings. Select Install updates automatically; we recommend that you install new updates at least weekly.

*Macintosh OS 10* – Open System Preferences - Software Update. Select the Check for Updates box and set it to at least Weekly; check the box to Download Updates Automatically.

*Symantec Endpoint for Windows* – follow the instructions at:  
<http://www.columbia.edu/acis/software/nav/pc-config.html>

*Symantec Endpoint for Macintosh* – open Symantec Scheduler (Applications – Symantec Solutions – Symantec Scheduler), Select New – Product Update and adjust the available options to update All Products on a weekly or daily basis.

### 3. Use https for web browsing whenever possible.

Sites including Gmail, Facebook and Twitter have a Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) option that encrypts information sent between your

computer and the website. Look for account settings that allow you to use https, and check your web browser's address bar to be sure that it begins with "https" rather than "http".



## ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT DISCOUNTS

Students at Columbia University are eligible for discounts on equipment through companies including Apple, Dell, HP/Compaq, and Sprint among others. See the current list of vendors who give pricing breaks for personal purchases at:

[http://procurement.columbia.edu/purchasing/personal\\_p.html](http://procurement.columbia.edu/purchasing/personal_p.html)

To browse available products and pricing, select the Preferred Vendors link on the left of the page and use the drop down menu to select your desired vendor. You'll be prompted to log in with your Columbia UNI and password.

Don't forget to look at the list of free and discounted software available to Columbia students as well:

[http://www.cumc.columbia.edu/it/getting\\_help/software.html](http://www.cumc.columbia.edu/it/getting_help/software.html)

Microsoft Office and Symantec Endpoint are free to current Columbia faculty, staff and students. There are Macintosh and Windows compatible downloads of both programs.

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## REGULAR SUMMER HOURS

Mon. - Thurs. - 8:00 am – 8:00 pm, Fri. - 8:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Sat. - 10:00 am – 6:00 pm, Sun. - 12:00 Noon – 8:00 pm

*Walk-in Research Help:* Mon. - Fri., 12:00 noon – 4:00 pm

*24 Hour Computer Room* - 24 hours/7 days

*After Hours Study Room* - 24 hours/7 days

*PH-17 Computer* 8:00 am - 2:00 am

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