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SistaStrings

Saturday, Feb. 10, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Central Library Schoenleber Reading Room -
814 W. Wisconsin Ave.

SistaStrings are Milwaukee-based sisters Monique Ross and Chantee Ross who are using their gifts of music to create social change. The classically trained instrumentalists are a dynamic, collaborative pair riffing on elements of classic and gospel music to create a unique sound rooted in passion.

A History of Jazz in America

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 5-6 p.m.
Villard Square Branch - 5190 N. 35th St.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Center Street Branch - 2727 W. Fond du Lac Ave.

Enjoy the music of jazz greats like Miles Davis, Duke Ellington, Charlie Parker, Dizzy Gillespie, John Coltrane, Thelonious Monk, Wynton Marsalis, and singers such as Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday, and Sarah Vaughn with jazz enthusiast Carol V. Johnson. See classic vinyl jazz albums, listen to live music, and enjoy light refreshments.

Book Talk: March trilogy by John Lewis

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Washington Park Branch - 2121 N. Sherman Blvd.

Join a discussion of the *March* trilogy, a firsthand account of John Lewis' lifelong struggle for civil and human rights, meditating in the modern age on the distance traveled since the days of Jim Crow and segregation.

Film Screening: 13th

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Villard Square Branch - 5190 N. 35th St.

The title of Ava DuVernay's extraordinary and galvanizing documentary refers to the 13th Amendment to the Constitution, which reads, "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States." With a potent mixture of archival footage and testimony from a dazzling array of activists, politicians, historians, and formerly incarcerated women and men, DuVernay creates a work of grand historical synthesis.

Film Screening: The Barber of Birmingham

Saturday, Feb. 17, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
East Branch - 2320 N. Cramer St.

Academy Award-nominated *The Barber of Birmingham* movingly portrays the unsung "foot soldiers" of the civil rights movement through the personal story of 85-year-old barber James Armstrong, who carried the American flag in the epic 1965 "Bloody Sunday" Selma voting rights march, and spearheaded efforts to integrate public schools in Alabama.

Film Screening: Milwaukee 53206

Monday, Feb. 19, 6-7:30 p.m.
Central Library Community Room 1 -
814 W. Wisconsin Ave.

In the 53206 zip code in Milwaukee, 62% of adult men have spent time in jail or prison - the highest percentage of incarceration for a zip code in the United States. *Milwaukee 53206* documents the story of three families caught in this destructive cycle of incarceration.

Read-In With Ald. Milele A. Coggs

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Martin Luther King - 310 W. Locust St.

Alderman Milele A. Coggs invites families to listen to heartfelt stories. Craft and light refreshments included.

How We Got Here with Reggie Jackson

Monday, Feb. 26, 5-7 p.m.
Tippecanoe Branch - 3912 S. Howell Ave.

Reggie Jackson of America's Black Holocaust Museum will take a look back at the history of structural and institutional racism in America and its direct impact on the lives of Native Americans and African Americans. He will then examine steps we can take to alleviate the burdens of this history.

Additional programming for families and children is included on the website at www.mpl.org/BlackHistoryMonth

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