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Looking Forward to Another Year of Service

Milwaukee Public Library has enjoyed another year of unique programs, new projects, and dedicated service for library customers. This year also provided the beginning for several new programs and projects that will continue on into 2019.

The special event Library Loud Days promotion won a 2018 John Cotton Dana Award which brings \$10,000 from the H.W. Wilson Foundation to the library. The library has already hosted a live concert, haunted house, and Mondo Lucha Mexican Wrestling. Watch for more Library Loud Days events in the future.

The new Mitchell Street Branch put its Cargill Community Kitchen and Northwestern Mutual Foundation Studio M Makerspace to good use by introducing family cooking programs, healthy afterschool snacks, open maker times, an artist series, and scratch sessions for children and teens. The variety of programming at Mitchell Street will continue to grow as new ideas for these unique spaces emerge.

A new look was introduced for summer reading featuring Alpha, Dewey, Blink, Fan and Turner - the Super Reader Squad. Children were invited to avoid the dreaded Mind Munchers by joining the squad and reading throughout the summer. In 2019 children will find new programs and experiences to look forward to with the Squad.

The City of Milwaukee was selected as a recipient of a grant of \$150,000 from the National Endowment of the Arts (NEA) to fund Gathering Art, Stories and Place (GASP)









at the Mitchell Street Branch. Led by Milwaukee Public Library and Artists Working in Education, the project is supported by Ex Fabula as well as other nonprofits, schools and community centers and has already begun to provide community art programs at Mitchell Street Branch.

Field Work MKE, a partnership with the Milwaukee Public Museum and Poets House, will present programming in 2019 that will include community walks with scientists and poets, wildlife programs for youth and musical performances for families exploring the natural world through the lens of poetry. The programs will be funded by a grant from The Institute for Museum and Library Services.

Ground was broken on September 18 for the new Good Hope Project, a mixed-use building that will house a new library to replace the Mill Road Branch in 2019.

More projects and programs are sure to fill the library calendar as we turn the page to 2019. Popular annual favorites like the Martin Luther King Day Celebration, Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss, and Summer Reading programs, and new author visits, self-help, business, craft, and literary programs are already on the list.

Add to that the library's extensive circulating and reference collections and quality personal service, and the Milwaukee Public Library will continue to be a destination for all ages for many years to come. FROM THE



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On the cover of this issue of the Reader we mentioned just a few of the programs and accomplishments of the Milwaukee Public Library this

year. I'm always amazed when I think of not just those headline-grabbing moments, but also of the hundreds of programs we offer throughout the year many of which are developed by staff as a response to community interest, topical events, or local talent.

Hundreds of programs this year included literary offerings like a vegetarian cookbook club, Sense and Sensibility Tea, Galentine's Day, rare book programs, and local author visits.

Live performances by Sista Strings, Teju, Rich Regent, the String Academy, LunaBellas, and the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra.

A variety of craft and knitting programs, family cooking, cat castle building, jewelry making and rain barrel workshops.

Wellness programming including tai chi, eliminating stress, yoga, running, opioid abuse, and Memory Cafes, and a myriad of series offerings on business, sustainability and gardening, money management, and creative writing.

The abundance and variety of programming the library provides throughout the year is only possible because we have a staff dedicated to listening to our customers, finding performers and educators, providing supplies and resource materials, marketing events, preparing for and cleaning up after programs, and making sure there are staff available to provide regular service while the special events take place. That's a lot of work above and beyond the usual reader's advisory, reference service, and digital resource assistance provided on a daily basis, but it is just one of the many reasons the library remains so vital to the community.

I am very grateful to the staff of the Milwaukee Public Library for their dedication to the community, and proud to be able to lead them in their service to the people of Milwaukee.



Milwaukee teens will be invited to submit original work to the library's Teen Art Contest from November 1-30. Art can be still-life visual art such as paintings, drawings, sculptures, graphic design or photography. Prizes will be awarded to the top three winners of a community choice vote.

The art created will be art on display in Central Library's Centennial Hall, 733 N. Eighth St., on **Monday, December 10 from 4-7:30 p.m.**

The public is invited to view the art and vote for the Community Choice Award winners who will receive gift cards to Blick Art.

A free, public reception featuring the art of all teens who submitted work will be held in Centenninal Hall on **Tuesday**, **December 11, from 6-7:30 p.m.** Refreshments will be provided. Awards will be announced during the reception at 7 p.m. The contest is sponsored by the Milwaukee Public Library's Teen Advisory Board, the Gathering Art, Stories and Place grant, and the Milwaukee Public Library.





Celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation has successfully raised more than 30 million dollars to provide the Milwaukee Public Library System with new materials, program support, and capital improvements. As we celebrate this milestone, we are grateful to our supporters that will help us wrap up this year strong, and counting on them as we head into 2019 to assist us in our continued mission to support lifelong learning at Milwaukee Public Library.

Each year we sincerely appreciate your gift of a cash donation before December 31, and 2018 is no different. If you have financial gains from stocks, bonds or mutual fund shares, you may want to donate the appreciated security before year's end. Why? Because not only do you receive greater tax benefits when you donate appreciated securities, you also receive an income tax deduction and can avoid capital gains while helping to support the library. To donate a stock gift to the library, we advise that you contact your financial institution or broker and use that institution's stock transfer form.

Another tax-saving strategy is to consider a donation from your annual IRA distribution. Taxpayers age $70\frac{1}{2}$ or older who are required to take minimum distributions from their retirement accounts may request that the plan administrator make a distribution directly from their account to Milwaukee Public Library Foundation, avoiding additional taxable income.

Tomorrow's results are created by today's donors and we thank you for your consideration and commitment to support Milwaukee Public Library Foundation today...and in the future.

For more information, please contact Patricia Swanson at pjswans@mpl.org or call (414) 286-3066. Tax ID# 30-1610233, DTC Participant # is 992, BMO Harris Bank N.A./Trust, F/C: [41-7004-02-5].









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Remember the Library During This Season of Giving

The Milwaukee Public Library Foundation is proud to invest in Milwaukee's anchor institution that continually works to strengthen our community in the critical areas of literacy, opportunity and inspiration. The Foundation funds more than 6,000 programs for 2,000,000 people who visit the library annually. Award-winning lifelong learning



programs for families, job seekers, researchers, and reading enthusiasts, as well as enhancements to new library branches for our neighborhoods are examples of how the synergistic public-private partnership between the Milwaukee Public Library and the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation is working to create positive social change.

For thirty years, generous individuals, corporations, and foundations have demonstrated their deep commitment to the Milwaukee Public Library through contributions to the Foundation. These valued partners recognize the library's importance in the community, and help to advance their mission of improving lives and contributing to a strong Milwaukee. The Milwaukee Public Library Foundation is proud to continue its original vision of seeking private sector support resulting in improved collections, expanded programs, enhanced services for lifelong learning, and modern 21st century libraries, which would not be possible through public funding alone. Many individuals appreciate the opportunity to give back to the library as the end of the year approaches. However you choose to show your support, your gift will contribute to the future success of the Milwaukee Public Library's vital presence in the community.



Other meaningful ways you can

support the library at any time of the year include:

- **Honor a friend or relative**, or make a meaningful memorial donation to benefit the library.
- **Remember the MPL Foundation** in your estate planning.
- **Support the MPL Foundation** and the library through your company's matching gifts program.
- Adopt MPL Foundation as your community, school or corporate organization's fundraising project for the year.
- **Introduce a friend** to your neighborhood library they'll love you for it!

Make your Year-End Gift of support to the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation at mpl.org/donate.





Don't forget

RSVP for the Wine and Book Pairings Experience on **Giving Tuesday, November 27, 5:30 pm.** Go to mpl.org/wineandbooks, or call (414) 286-3784 for more information or for assistance with your donation.



Shop & Round-up for Reading!

Bookseller customers can now pay with credit cards in the Bookseller, a convenience many have requested. The Bookseller also launched "Round-up for Reading," which gives customers a way to add on to their regular shopping support for the Friends of Milwaukee Public Library, and their mission to advocate for libraries, literacy, and lifelong learning. You can either round-up your purchase to the nearest dollar or donate a set amount.

The Bookseller has had a fantastic year, welcoming new volunteers, updating the shop's layout, offering a larger premium section (fiction, non-fiction, and children's books), and hosting four big community book sales. The Bookseller Used Bookstore is operated by Friends of the Milwaukee Public Library volunteers and hosts several used book sales throughout the year. Located in the Central Library, it is a great place to relax, get a cup of coffee, and buy a used book all while supporting the library. New volunteers are always welcome!

Architectural Tour of Central Library and a FREE Book at the Bookseller and Cafe

Experience fascinating Milwaukee Public Library history every Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Central Library, located at 814 West Wisconsin Avenue. Tours begin in the rotunda and tour goers will receive a coupon for a free book at the end of the tour in the Bookseller Used Book Store and Café. Central Library is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

To arrange for a special tour or to learn more about becoming a docent, please call (414) 286-TOUR.

Holiday/Children's New Book Sale



Saturday, November 17, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Central Library, 814 W. Wisconsin Ave. Community Room 1, first floor

Features a large selection of new and gently used children's, young adult, and holiday books. All proceeds from this sale benefit the Milwaukee Public Library. Friends members may enter sales 30 minutes before the public with a current membership card. Please use the Eighth Street entrance and present your card.

In-store specials: November: History/historical biographies; December: Christmas crafts. Interested in volunteering in the Bookseller or at Friends Book Sales? Email friendsbookseller@gmail.com for more information.

The first book sale in 2019 will be the Spring Sale on Saturday, March 2, coinciding with the Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss celebration at the Central Library



Give the Gift of Membership! Consider giving your friends and family

the gift of a Friends of the Milwaukee Public Library membership. Visit mpl.org/friends



Thanks to Friends Board Member Shannon Sweek, and Catherine Brys for participating in the 2018 Bay View Bash Neighborhood Festival with Kristine Petersen of MPL Foundation to raise funds on behalf of the Friends of the Milwaukee Public Library. The event was a great opportunity to share the importance of the library in the community.



Books for Gift Giving

Becoming by Michelle Obama.



An intimate and uplifting memoir by the former First Lady chronicles the experiences that have shaped her remarkable life, from her childhood on the South Side of Chicago through her setbacks and achievements in the White House.

The Hanukkah Anthology by Philip Goodman.



Features stories and messages of Hanukkah as they have unfolded in Jewish literature over the past two thousand years: biblical intimations of the festival, postbiblical writings, selections from the Talmud and midrashim, excerpts from medieval books, home liturgies, laws and customs, observances in different nations, stories

and poems, art, and recipes.

A Treasury of African American Christmas Stories by



Bettye Collier-Thomas. A landmark collection of Christmas stories featuring writings from well-known authors and activists such as W.E.B. Du Bois, Pauline Hopkins, Ida B. Wells, and Langston Hughes, along with newly discovered gems that reflect Christmas experiences of everyday African-

Americans and addresses familial and romantic love.

The Autobiography of Santa Claus by Jeff Guinn.

Iris Apfel: Accidental Icon by Iris Apfel.



With a chapter for each cold December night leading up to Christmas, this revised edition will delight families. And who better to lead us through seventeen centuries of Christmas magic than good ol' Saint Nick himself?

Let's Eat: Jewish Food and Faith by Lori Stein.



Follow the calendar of Jewish holidays that includes food from the many different Jewish communities around the world. Learn how these foods have ended up on the Jewish menu and how Jews, as they wandered through the world, have influenced and been influenced by other nations and cuisines. Full of more

than 40 satisfying recipes that are sure to warm the soul.

Bibliophile: An Illustrated Miscellany by Jane Mount.



The perfect present for book lovers; it features illustrated reading lists, recommendations from bookish people, introductions to intriguing bookstores and libraries, and so much more.

Simple: A Cookbook by Yotam Ottolenghi.



Presents 130 streamlined recipes with Middle Eastern-inspired flavors that can be made in thirty minutes or less, with ten or fewer ingredients, in a single pot, using pantry staples, or prepared ahead of time. Braised Eggs with Leeks and Za'atar, anyone?

The Noel Stranger by Richard Paul Evans.



In this holiday romance Maggie's politician husband, Clive, is arrested for bigamy, and she never wants to leave home again. But the kindness of neighbors and a friend finally lure her out to a Christmas tree lot, where she meets Andrew. They begin a relationship that helps heal them both.

Bestia: Italian Recipes Created in the Heart of L.A.



by Ori Menashe and Genevieve Gergis. Whether you like the sound of Grilled Rib-Eye with Apple Balsamic Black Butter Sauce or are more of an Apple and Currant Crostata with Warm Crème Anglaise person, just try to look through this sumptuous book without drooling.

Starter of the Industrial star

Lavishly photographed with previously unpublished images and mementos, including some by leading fashion photographers and artists, a collection of observations and anecdotes by the nonagenarian fashion icon traces her co-founding of Old World Weavers, her boundary-breaking art shows and her influential legacy.

But Not the Armadillo by Sandra Boynton. Ages 1-3.



Armadillo takes center stage with his curious and adventurous spirit in this silly tale. Following his nose and exploring finds him natural treasures and friends.

Sophie's Christmas Surprise by Rosemary Wells. Ages



2-6. Sophie is sure that the big box under the Christmas tree is for her. But it isn't! It's for her baby sister, Jane. Much to her dismay, she sees that it's the small package that's for her. But Sophie finds out that the best things often come in small

packages.

Winter is Here by Kevin Henkes. Ages 4-8.



Snow falls, animals burrow, and children prepare for the wonders winter brings. This story is sure to be an ideal choice for story time and bedtime reading.

The Word Collector by Peter Reynolds. Ages 4-8.



Jerome was a collector of words. Those he heard, saw, and read. Words he knew and words he discovered. Best of all was when Jerome found ways to share his words with the world.

Good Rosie! by Kate DiCamillo; pictures by Harry Bliss.



Ages 4-9. In this delightful and heartfelt early graphic novel, readers meet Rosie, a sweet, good-natured dog who is lonely, despite her affection for her owner. When she goes to the dog park for the first time, she learns how to navigate dog friendships.

Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters by Andrea



Beaty; illustrated by David Roberts. Ages 6-9.

Rosie Revere puts her talents to work inventing a machine to help her aunt's group of "Raucous Riveters." When Rosie's design hits a snag, she calls on her friends, Iggy Peck and Ada Twist to lend a hand. PoPo's Lucky Chinese New Year by Virginia Loh-Hagan.

Ages 6-10.



When her Chinese grandmother comes to visit, a young Chinese-American girl learns of and participates in the customs and beliefs celebrating an authentic Chinese New Year.

Every Month is a New Year: Celebrations Around the



World by Marilyn Singer. Ages 6-12. Enjoy a lively poetry collection that highlights 16 fascinating holiday festivities, some well-known and some less familiar. These poems take readers to the heart of beloved holidays. Every month of the year, somewhere in the

world, people celebrate with joy and good wishes for a happy new year.

Harbor Me by Jacqueline Woodson. Ages 10-14.



Six students of diverse backgrounds are brought together in one classroom. Each faces difficult challenges both in school and at home. Over the course of a year, they reveal truths about their lives and connect in heartbreaking ways.

American Road Trip by Patrick Flores-Scott. Ages 12 & up.



Two brothers, Teodoro and Manny Avila, spend some bonding time together as they venture on a road trip to help Manny deal with his PTSD after his tour in Iraq, and to help T fix his own problems.

A Very Large Expanse of Sea by Tahereh Mafi. Ages 12



Shirin, a Muslim teen, loves breakdancing, but over the past year has endured cruel prejudice after the events of September 11th and has withdrawn from the world around her. When she meets a young man who wants to befriend her, she is skeptical.

Swing by Kwame Alexander. Ages 15 & up.

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Two best friends, Noah and Walt, plan for junior year to be their year. They plan to find love, make the baseball team, and become cool - but things don't always go as planned and tensions arise in their friendship.



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Whether you're uninsured, or just want to explore your choices, the Health Insurance Marketplace may have coverage that's right for you, fits your budget, and meets your needs. Licensed Healthcare Navigators will be available to assist with exploring insurance options under the Affordable Care Act. Call 414-270-4677 for an appointment. Walk-ins will also be accepted if the navigator does not have an appointment.

Enrollment Labs

Capitol Branch Saturdays, November 3, 10, 17, 24 December 1, 8, 15 - 10:30 am-1:30 pm

Center Street Branch Tuesdays, November 6, 13, 20, 27 December 4, 11 - 4-7 pm

Mitchell Street Branch* Thursdays, November 1, 8, 15, 29 December 6, 13 - 2:30-5:30 pm Zablocki Branch* Fridays, November 2, 9, 16, 30 December 7, 14 - 1-5 pm

*Spanish-speaking Navigators are available, unless a substitute is needed.

Deadline to sign up: December 15. Avoid a 2018 tax penalty. Call 2-1-1 for local help.

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