A Bounty of Author Visits at Milwaukee Public Library

Milwaukee Public Library is proud to host a veritable bounty of nationally acclaimed and local authors this fall. There are authors for every age and interest. Read more about them all at www.mpl.org.

Wisconsin Writers Wall of Fame author David Maraniss returns to the library on Thursday, October 8 at 6:30 p.m. for a reading of his newest book *Once in a Great City: A Detroit Story in Centennial Hall, 733 N. Eighth St.*

Eighth St. Books will be available for purchase from co-sponsor Boswell Book Company.

Following the smashing success of *Assassination Vacation*, *Unfamiliar Fishes*, and *The Partly Cloudy Patriot*, Sarah Vowell delivers *Lafayette in the Somewhat United States*. Revolutionary War hero the Marquis de Lafayette was about the only Frenchman all of America has ever agreed upon. Sarah Vowell visits Centennial Hall, 733 N. Eighth St. on Saturday, October 31 at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.). In addition to the reading, Boswell Book Company will sponsor a costume contest. Wear your best Colonial/Revolutionary War costume and you might win a prize!

Bring the family to meet nationally acclaimed author and illustrator Chris Van Allsburg on Saturday, November 21, from 1-3:30 p.m. at the Central Library. Celebrate the 30th anniversary of *The Polar Express*. Beginning at 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., model trains will be on exhibit from the Lionel Railroad Club of Milwaukee. From 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Van Allsburg-inspired art activities at several art stations will be presented by Artists Working in Education (A.W.E.). The presentation by Chris Van Allsburg will be from 2-2:30 p.m. Books will be available for purchase from co-sponsor Boswell Book Company.

More Authors Not to be Missed

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Amy E. Reichert: *The Coincidence of Coconut Cake*
Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 p.m.  ~ East Branch

Genevieve Davis: *Fanni’s Viennese Kitchen*
Monday, October 12, 6 p.m.  ~ Central Library

* Matthew J. Prigge: *Milwaukee Mayhem: Murder and Mystery in the Cream City’s First Century*
Tuesday, October 20, 6:30 p.m.  ~ Central Library

Laura Marsh: *Living in the Shadows of Milwaukee*
Saturday, October 31, 2-3:30 p.m.  ~ Central Library

* Joelle Charbonneau: *Need*
Wednesday, November 18, 6:30 p.m.  ~ East Branch
We are fast approaching the completion of the renovation of the Tippecanoe branch and looking forward to unveiling the renovated building. At the same time, we’re recognizing the anniversary of one of Milwaukee Public Library’s most recent success stories - the new East Branch at 2320 N. Cramer.

The East Branch opened to the public on November 22 last year. In the first 10 months open, the number of new library cards issued has almost doubled - an 89% increase - and the total number of library card registrations is up 40%.

East has 11 MacBook Pro laptops available for checkout and our trainers are conducting all their computer classes and job centers on these laptops.

The public art provided by Ray Chi, kathryn e. martin and Santiago Cucullo delights patrons and neighbors alike. Chi’s Pebble Forms were recently installed at the library. “I love your pebbles,” said East patron David Ritz. “This is such a wonderful facility. I am going in right now to get my first card in a decade.”

East’s capacity to partner with local organizations has increased in the new space according to Library Branch Manager Rachel Collins. “We’ve hosted teen authors with Boswell Books, live music from the East Side Chamber Players and Early Music Now, and we’re a proud partner of the Milwaukee Film Festival.”

What lies ahead for Tippecanoe? I can’t wait to find out! Watch the library’s website for continuing developments.

On Saturday, October 24, art historian Jeff Jara will present an illustrated lecture at the Central Library on John James Audubon’s art, methods and the cultural and historical context in which he worked. A number of Audubon prints from the Krug Rare Books Room collection will be on display. As an added bonus, representatives from Schlitz Audubon Nature Center’s raptor program will exhibit live raptors in the hallway outside the second floor Krug Rare Books Room.

1:30 p.m. Live Raptors
2 p.m. Lecture
Part of the Richard E. and Lucile Krug Rare Books Room Educational Series.

Vision: The Milwaukee Public Library is an anchor institution that helps build healthy families and vibrant neighborhoods – the foundation of a strong Milwaukee.

Mission: Inspiration starts here – we help people read, learn, and connect.

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Friends Support Additions to the Library’s Adult Literacy Collection

More than 150,000 people struggle with literacy in Milwaukee and Adult Literacy materials are in high demand at MPL. Milwaukee Public Library is striving to meet this important community need by providing citizens with resources and opportunities to improve the reading, writing, math, computer literacy, and study skills which are the cornerstones of workforce readiness.

The Friends of MPL are supporting enhancements to the library’s collection of adult literacy materials including books, kits, and DVDs. Subject areas include math and reading comprehension, writing and grammar skills, adult test materials, and computer literacy materials with a focus on adult learning.

You can show your support and join the Friends literacy efforts — please help improve literacy in Milwaukee by renewing your Friends membership today. Thank you, Friends!

Take a Tour of Beautiful Central Library

Last year, hundreds of MPL visitors were treated to FREE guided tours of Central Library every Saturday which provided background on the architecture and history of the building. Central Library is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Tours begin at 11 a.m. on Saturdays in the rotunda. To arrange for a special tour, please call (414) 286-TOUR. To learn more about becoming a docent, please call (414) 286-8720.

Holiday/Children’s New and Used Book Sale

Saturday, November 21, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Central Library, 814 W. Wisconsin Ave.

All proceeds from this sale benefit the Milwaukee Public Library. Friends members may enter sales 30 minutes before the public with current membership card. Please use the Eighth Street entrance and present your card. There will be a 2-for-1 sale in the Bookseller Used Book Store during the sale.
The Real Simple Guide to Real Life: Adulthood Made Easy ed. by Noelle Howey. 640.41 R2875. Whether you’ve been an adult for years or just starting out on your own, everyone runs into situations that leave them feeling clueless. This guide offers an approach to handling adult situations, from every day events to things you would have never expected.

200 Light Vegetarian Dishes 641.5635 T 9747. This colorful cookbook provides a variety of vegetarian dishes with complementary pictures for the visually inclined cook. Employing a wide a variety of unique ingredients, the book is also laid out for the calorie conscious, arranging dishes by calorie count.

The Urban Cycling Survival Guide: Need to Know Skills and Strategies for Biking in the City by Yvonne Bambrick. 796.609 B199. Nervous about bicycling in traffic? Intimidated by spandex-clad power cyclists tearing down the Oak Leaf Trail? Bambrick talks you through selecting a bike based on your needs, bike and body maintenance, basics of safe riding and signaling and communicating with angry motorists.

DIY Home Repairs: 100 Fix-It-Yourself Projects by Sarah Beeny. 643.7 B414. 2014. Be empowered to fix your home and save money! Beeny covers projects from hanging blinds to tiling a wall and everything in-between. Each step-by-step project includes a list of tools needed, is well illustrated and is written clearly and simply.

Speaking in Bones by Kathy Reichs. Mystery. Reichs’ latest mystery follows Temperance Brennan through the world of web sleuthing, where a local amateur detective leads her to several old missing persons cases, incomplete sets of bones, an isolated crime scene, and an obscure religious group.

Orhan’s Inheritance by Aline Ohanesian. Fiction. If the suicide of Orhan’s 93-year-old grandfather in a vat of dye at his rug making business isn’t strange enough, there is his will that leaves the family home to a mysterious woman. Orhan travels from Turkey to Los Angeles in search of the woman and the story she has to tell.

Uprooted by Naomi Novik. Science Fiction. Every ten years the dragon/sorcerer picks a girl from the village as his price for keeping them safe from the corrupted Wood. This year he picks not the prettiest girl, makes unexpected selection. What follows is a wonderful fairy tale/fantasy for adult readers.

Charlie, Presumed Dead by Anne Heltzel. YA Fiction. At Charlie’s funeral, Lean and Aubrey discover that they were both his “girlfriend.” As they become friends themselves, they become more and more suspicious about the life Charlie led and whether or not he really is dead.

The Hand that Feeds You by A. J. Rich. Mystery. Graduate student Morgan returns home to find her finance Bennett mauled to death by her dogs. Traumatized, Morgan attempts to contact his family to notify them. She soon finds out everything he told her was a lie, and that now she is also in danger.

Undermajordomo Minor by Patrick deWitt. Fiction. In a blend of fable, love story and dark comedy, deWitt follows the coming-of-age of Lucien Minor. Lucy leaves home for work at the Castle Von Aux where he soon realizes the place is full of dark secrets. Despite being surrounded by unsavory characters, Lucy manages to find good.

Contributed by Capitol Library staff Jillian Johnson, Katie Malloy, Amelia Osterud, Jessica Pawleski and Lynn Smith.
**Thirteen Chairs** by Dave Shelton (Ages 12 & up). FIC SHELTON. Jack enters an abandoned-looking house, where a dozen people are seated around a candlelit table. As each tells a chilling ghost story, Jack worries what will happen when it becomes his turn.

**Another Day** by David Levithan (Ages 12 & up). FIC LEVITHA. Can she find the truth about love and will it change her? Find out Rhiannon’s side of the story in Levithan’s companion to *Every Day*.

**Catacomb** by Madeleine Roux (Ages 14 & up). FIC ROUX. In the chilling finale of the Asylum series, three teens’ senior trip to New Orleans becomes a nightmare as the past comes back to haunt them.

**Every Last Word** by Tamara Ireland Stone (Ages 12 & up). FIC STONE. Samantha struggles with Purely-Obsessional OCD. After a new friend introduces her to Poet’s Corner, Sam starts getting her life under control, until a revelation threatens to ruin everything.

**The Fate of Ten** by Pittacus Lore (Ages 15 & up). FIC LORE. The saga continues in Lore’s second-to-last installment of his popular series. The Garde struggle to understand and complete the Loric Elders’ plan to save the world from annihilating alien forces.

**Hello, Goodbye, and Everything in Between** by Jennifer E. Smith (Ages 12 & up) FIC SMITH. It is the night before Clare and Aidan leave for college. These high school sweethearts spend it reminiscing about their relationship and decide whether they should stay together or break up.

**Marvel: the Avengers Vault** by Peter A. David (Ages 12 & up) 741.5973 D249M. Explore the dawn of the Avengers from the first comic in 1963 through the recently released blockbusters, including artwork and character overviews.

**Mosquitoland** by David Arnold (Ages 12 & up). FIC ARNOLD. Mim is living with her remarried father in Mississippi when her mother gets sick back in Cleveland. Her 1,000 mile bus trip is filled with quirky characters and unexpected twists and revelations.

**Red Queen** by Victoria Aveyard (Ages 14 & up) FIC AVEYARD. Blood divides the population into those with powers and those who serve them. When Mare discovers her own ability, she is drawn into a dangerous world of royalty, intrigue and rebellion.

**This Broken Wondrous World** by Jon Skovron (Ages 14 & up). FIC SKOVRON. In the sequel to *Man Made Boy*, the son of Frankenstein’s monster must choose sides between Dr. Moreau and the monsters, or the humans whose world he now inhabits.
Los Primeros
A Photographic History of Milwaukee’s First Latino Families

An Exhibit at Central Library, 2nd floor ~ 814 W. Wisconsin Avenue
September 16 thru October 31

Photos and stories bring to life the history of Los Primeros - the first Latino families to arrive in Milwaukee. The exhibit begins with Rafael Baez, a musical prodigy who arrived in Milwaukee in the 1880s from Oaxaca, Mexico. Photos follow family voyages from Mexico to Milwaukee and chronicle their challenges and successes.