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Read, Learn, Connect - Programs for Adults

Crafts, computers, live entertainment, games, books, and more – the usual great lineup of free library programs for children? Actually, it's just a sample of what Milwaukee Public Library has to offer every month for adults.

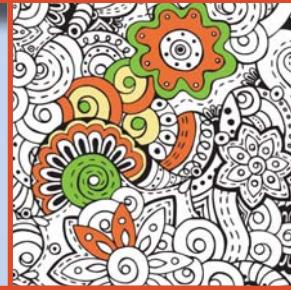


Milwaukee Public Library is a great place to connect with adults who share similar interests, want to learn something new, or for empty nesters or new retirees looking to fill a recently cleared calendar.

Discovery Lunches - a special series of programming for adults that takes place over the lunch hour was introduced this year. These one-hour programs begin at 12:30 p.m. and include a light lunch. The fall series began last month and continues in 2017 with Writing for Brain Power at Mill Road (Oct. 3), Zablocki (Oct. 17), and Central (Nov. 14); Eat Green: Local and Organic at Central (Oct. 10); Explore Maritime Canada at Mill Road (Nov. 7); and Intro to Reiki at Zablocki (Nov. 21). Another series is already being planned for Spring 2018.

Monthly knitting circles are held at Bay View and Central. Bring a knitting project, share your skills or learn new ones, and see what resources the library has to offer.

Get up to speed with your tablet, Kindle or Nook and learn how to tap into the library's online offerings at BYOD: Bring Your Own Device sessions at Central and Washington Park, start researching your family tree at Central, learn



Tai Chi at Tippecanoe, or attend basic computer classes at any library location.

The recent coloring craze has reintroduced adults to a popular childhood pastime. Color Your Way to Calm drop-in programs at East, Tippecanoe and Zablocki provide coloring sheets and pencils for adults who want to sit back and relax by enjoying adult coloring after a long day of being a grown-up.

Entertainment isn't limited to coloring and crafts. There's also drop-in chess at East, trivia at Tippecanoe, and the popular Book to Art Club at East where each month the club reads a selected novel and then works on an art project inspired by the story.

You can meet author Nancy MacLean at Centennial Hall on Tuesday, Oct. 3 at 6:30 p.m. Also in October, learn investment basics at Central Library, or how to build your resume at Zablocki. Get tips on gardening and hear about the magical, misunderstood moth at Tippecanoe. Celebrate books and pop culture at the East Branch Book Pop!

And of course, MPL is your first stop for book clubs, meeting monthly at Bay View and East, and two separate book clubs at Tippecanoe – the Bibliophile Book Club and the History Buff Book Club.

A complete list of programming is always available on the library's website at mpl.org. You can search the calendar by location or event type, or just browse the full calendar to see all the programs your Milwaukee Public Library has to offer for adults.

FROM THE



CITY LIBRARIAN

PAULA A. KIELY

If you weren't able to join us for the grand opening of the Mitchell Street Branch, I hope you'll soon visit this beautiful addition to the Milwaukee Public Library System. Not only are we thrilled with our new space on historic Mitchell Street, we're also looking forward to implementing a new grant.

In August 2017, we announced that 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 the *Gathering Art, Stories and Place* project at the new Mitchell Street Branch.

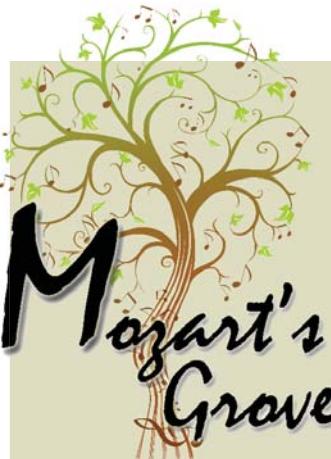
Led by the Library and collaborator Artists Working in Education (A.W.E.), the project is supported by Ex Fabula and local schools and community centers.

With this grant, we'll be able to utilize the library's makerspace and other indoor and outdoor gathering spaces to host a variety of storytelling themed programs, including a visual storytelling festival featuring deaf storytellers, an artist lecture series, writing workshops, a new archive of collected neighborhood stories, and two artist-in-residence programs.

Part of the grant will include *Listening to Mitchell*, a groundbreaking public art installation produced by local artists Sonja Thomsen and Adam Carr in the summer of 2014 to celebrate diversity on the south side of Milwaukee. The work featured an interactive photo and audio installation with artist-led walking tours. Artists Thomsen and Carr will work with MPL staff to help develop a model for the components and research of *Listening to Mitchell* to serve as a catalyst and building block of the project.

In addition to generous grant funding from the National Endowment of the Arts, the *Gathering Art, Stories and Place* project will receive additional funding from the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation.

The new Mitchell Street branch not only will connect our customers to a wide variety of library resources, new technology and meeting spaces, this grant will bring the community together in a shared appreciation of stories and art in a whole new way.



Mozart's Grove was named for the land upon which Central Library was built in 1898. The Mozart's Grove Music Series features musical performances by Milwaukee artists.

Performances are Saturdays, 11:30 am-12:30 pm at the Central Library, first floor.

Oct 21

UCC's Renacer presents a Generational Musical Adventure

Renacer is a senior music group from the United Community Center performing beautiful pieces in genres such as: Rancheras, Corridos, Boleros, Balladas, Polkas.



Nov 18

A Musical Journey Through Europe with the Rich Regent Band

A performance by Rich Regent and Bob Dudzik featuring Italian, French, Spanish and Greek instrumentals mixed with German, Slovenian and Polish vocals.



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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FROM THE FOUNDATION

Lawyers for Libraries

Milwaukee Public Library is at the heart of our community and justice is at the heart of our democracy.

The Lawyers for Libraries Society will provide integral support for the Library's mission to inspire lifelong learning, advance knowledge, and strengthen our neighborhoods. The group is comprised of local attorneys representing Milwaukee's top law firms who value the library's essential services and programs in the community.

Throughout the year, Lawyers for Libraries members are invited to special events, including a Lawyers for Libraries Rooftop Party, talks by noted authors and exclusive exhibition openings. As added benefits, member firms' summer associates and non-resident employees are invited to attend a private tour of the historic Central Library and offered VIP library cards providing access to the entire online collection.

There is still time to become an Inaugural Lawyers for Libraries Charter Member! Join now through December 31, 2017 at www mpl.org/lawyersforlibraries to be listed at the newly opened Mitchell Street Branch, or the coming Mill Road Branch.

Thank you to all who joined us for an evening of socializing at Central Library to learn about the positive impact the Milwaukee Public Library is having on our community.



Lawyers for Libraries Rooftop Event on July 27th. Photo by Jenny Plevin.

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FROM THE FRIENDS

OF THE LIBRARY

Celebrate National Friends of Libraries Week, Oct. 15-21, 2017

The Friends of Milwaukee Public Library would like to thank their members and those who have supported the library through their mission—to advocate for libraries, literacy, and lifelong learning. There are many meaningful opportunities for Friends to become involved and support their library.

Advocate

Please share your support for the library! Contact local elected officials, and remind them how crucial library funding is to you and your community. On **Monday, October 9 at 6:30 p.m.**, there is a joint public hearing in the Common Council Chambers at City Hall in Milwaukee, where Friends members may attend and testify along with members of the public about the value of the library, and to ask for support of Milwaukee Public Library through the 2018 City Budget.



Volunteer

Lead visitors on an architectural tour of historic Central Library by becoming a Docent, or volunteer in the Bookseller Used Bookstore, located on the 1st Floor of Central Library, 814 W. Wisconsin Avenue.



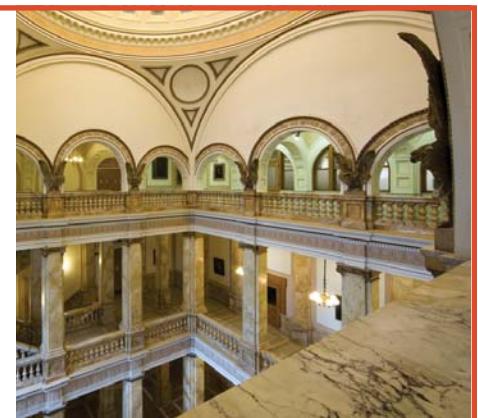
Support

Friends support the needs of the Milwaukee Public Library through books and materials funding for children and adults, and make it possible to offer literary enhancements such as the Wisconsin Writers Wall of Fame and the Milwaukee Poet Laureate program. This support from Friends is made possible through events such as the Spring Literary Luncheon and Used Book Sales.



Join

Start or renew your membership today! Visit www mpl.org/friends and become a sustaining member with a monthly donation. For more information, contact the Friends of Milwaukee Public Library at (414) 286-8720, or email Friends@mpl.org. Your Friends membership dollars provide financial support to keep the library's outstanding collections, resources, and programs free and accessible for all.



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 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 Book Store and Cafe. 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.

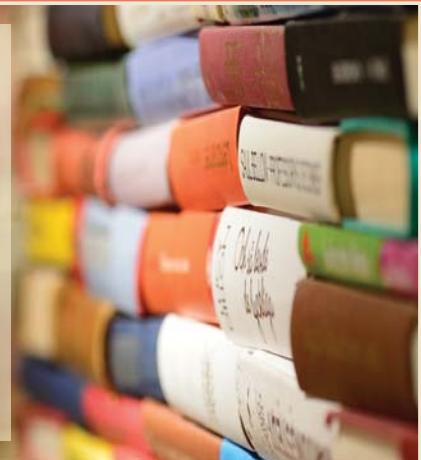


FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



Fill the Shelves for Milwaukee Public Library

Fill the Shelves is a fun way to shop during the holidays and donate a classic or popular book to the library's city-wide collection, complete with a bookplate identifying you as the generous donor. Purchase one of the selected titles at Boswell Book Company, 2559 N. Downer Ave. in Milwaukee, from November 16 through the end of 2017.



Meet Author Alexander McCall Smith

Thursday, November 16

7 p.m.

Boswell Book Company
2559 N. Downer Ave.

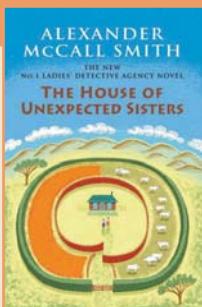


Photo by Chris Watt

Alexander McCall Smith is the author of *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* and other beloved titles featuring Precious Ramotswe, the Isabel Dalhousie novels, and *44 Scotland Street*.

Boswell Book Company and the Friends of the Milwaukee Public Library also announce a very special ticketed event for the launch of Fill the Shelves with author Alexander McCall Smith. Tickets are \$29 which includes admission to the event and a copy of *The House of Unexpected Sisters*. Buy your tickets online at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3064449

For each ticket to this event, \$5 will be donated back to the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation.

Current Friends members will receive a special holiday gift as a thank you for their support of the event!



Holiday/Children's Used Book Sale

Saturday, November 18, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. ~ Central Library, 814 W. Wisconsin Ave.
Community Room 1, 1st floor

Featuring a large selection of new and gently used children's books as well as adult fiction and nonfiction titles. 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. Coffee and refreshments are available for purchase in the R Café.

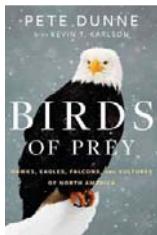
During October the Bookseller will feature a selection of half-priced cookbooks.

Next Sale: Saturday, March 3, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Spring Sale during the Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss event at Central Library.



THE BOOKSHELF

Birds of Prey: Hawks, Eagles, Falcons, and Vultures of North America

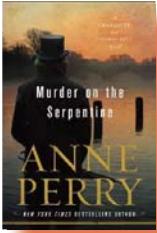


by Pete Dunne with Kevin T. Karlson. 598.9097 D923.

This spectacular book is filled with stunning illustrations and fascinating facts on a wide variety of predatory birds. Dunne's knowledge of his subject and his skill in sharing the information in a highly readable format make this a true gem for bird watchers and

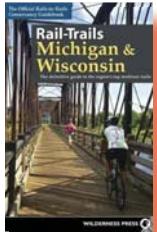
bird lovers alike.

Murder on the Serpentine



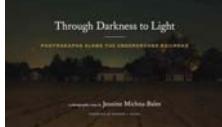
by Anne Perry. Mystery. Perry's popular sleuths Charlotte and Thomas Pitt meet royalty in her latest novel. Queen Victoria suspects foul play when one of her close friends and advisors dies while looking into a very sensitive case at her request. Though fearful for his life and somewhat daunted by a case which involves the cream of London society, Thomas Pitt can hardly refuse a summons from the Queen of England.

Rail-Trails: Michigan & Wisconsin



917.7 R152. This well-organized and extensive guide lists walking and biking trails in Michigan and Wisconsin. The trails are listed alphabetically and provide website information, length, accommodations on the trail, history of the surrounding area, plus a great map. Biking and hiking enthusiasts will find a great list of ideas for fall excursions.

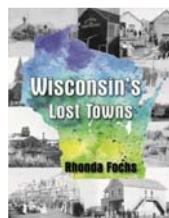
Through Darkness to Light: Photographs Along the Underground Railroad



by Jeanine Michna-Bales. 973.7115 M624.

Documenting real locations along the Underground Railroad from Louisiana to Canada, this book charts the harrowing journey trod by so many slaves. The nighttime landscape photography yields a glimpse of the long road to freedom. Quotes from abolitionist leaders and slaves provide historical context. *"Tisn't he who has stood and looked on that can tell you what slavery is – 'tis he who has endured."* – John Little, fugitive slave.

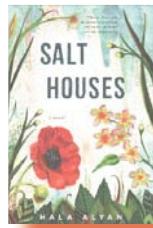
Wisconsin's Lost Towns



by Rhonda Fochs. 977.5 F652. 2017.

This great book for local history buffs is replete with Wisconsin lore and folktales combined with historical fact and black and white photographs of towns that are extinct or were incorporated into bigger cities. The perfect place to start for ideas on staycations filled with local color.

Salt Houses



by Hala Alyan. Fiction. 2017.

Characters from four generations of a Palestinian family, scattered throughout the Middle East, Europe, and America, tell their complex and painful stories of being uprooted from their homeland. Seen through the eyes of the different characters in each generation, the trauma of displacement and change affects each generation differently. This is a timely novel which delves into the lives and longings of immigrants and refugees.

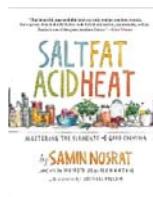
Generation Wealth



by Lauren Greenfield. 779. 9305 G812.

In this lavishly illustrated, over-the-top book, Greenfield explores the lives of the Uber-Haves as well as the Have Nots struggling to keep up appearances. Revealing - and at times shocking - interviews detail a disturbing global trend towards the pursuit of happiness by means of extravagant wealth.

Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat: Mastering the Elements of Good Cooking



by Samin Nosrat; art by Wendy MacNaughton; with a foreword by Michael Pollan. 641.5 N897.

In this engaging, unusual cook book, you will learn that once you master the use of salt, fat, acid, and heat in cooking, you will never again be intimidated by any recipe!

There are no glossy pictures in this book, but the illustrations are delightful and the easy-to-follow instructions ensure a perfect meal every time.

Contributed by Atkinson Branch Library staff.

Teen Read Week

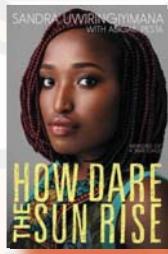
Unleash Your Story

Each year in October, libraries all over the nation celebrate Teen Read Week. This year's theme, "Unleash Your Story," encourages teens to express their story and read, learn and connect with their local library.

The Milwaukee Public Library supports teens all year as they discover their own story through membership on the Teen Advisory Board, events, contests and dedicated teen spaces throughout the system.

This fall, teens are invited to submit art to MPL's annual Anime and Manga contest, learn an emerging technology at one of our teen events, or discover an exciting career path at a career exploration workshop.

How Dare the Sun Rise: Memoirs of a War Child by



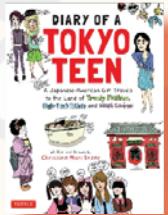
Sandra Uwiringiyimana with Abigail Pesta. 967.57204 U955. Ages 12 & up. Sandra Uwiringiyimana shares her survival story about the Gatumba massacre in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. When her family moves to New York she finds ways to heal through art and activism, fighting for women, refugees, and immigrants.

Leave This Song Behind: Teen Poetry At Its Best.



811.008 L438. Ages 15 & up. *Teen Ink* presents the best poetry they have received over the past 27 years. This is their first all-poetry anthology. The seven sections each focus on a single technique or quality.

Diary of a Tokyo Teen by Christine Mari Inzer.



915.2 I635. Ages 12 & up. Fifteen-year-old Christine Mari Inzer shares her solo trip to her birthplace of Japan. Through illustrations and photos, she tells of the great sushi, high fashion trends, family, and of course, the interesting people she meets on her adventure.

Teens can further discover their story by participating in the annual Poetry Contest in the spring or rise to the Teen Summer Challenge in the summer.

The library offers free spaces – both physical and digital – where teens can connect. Teens can reach out to MPL on social media or visit a branch to use a laptop or study space. Coming soon to the new Mitchell Street Branch: a makerspace equipped with a recording studio, editing bays and technology curated to help teens have fun and develop career skills at the library.

FrogKisser! by Garth Nix. FIC NIX. Ages 13 & up.



A fairy tale adventure filled with a step-stepfather who is an evil wizard, a boy turned into a newt, and suitors turned into frogs. Princess Anya goes on a quest to gather the ingredients for the magical lip balm to reverse the curses.

Solo by Kwame Alexander with Mary Rand Hess.



FIC ALEXAND. Ages 15 & up. Music has been part of 17-year-old Blade Morrison's life, especially since his father is a drug addicted rocker. A family secret prompts Blade to begin a journey to Ghana. The novel is told in verse and refers to classic rock songs throughout the book.

What I Need 2 Succeed: From A to Z for Teens by



Linda Carter. 158.10835 C324. Ages 13 & up. Carter explores 26 character traits that can lead teens to a successful life and career. Lives of famous people throughout history are reviewed to demonstrate the hardships each had to endure, and the obstacles they overcame in order to succeed in life.



814 W. Wisconsin Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53233

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at the new Mitchell Street Branch

Oct 7, 2-3:30 pm Drumming Workshop

Enjoy the Latin rhythms of De La Buena's drummer extraordinaire Julio Pabon, also director of Samba da Vida, and participate in a hands-on drumming workshop with drums provided, or bring your own! Get crafty and make papel picado banners.

Oct 21, 2-3 pm Meet Jorge Argueta

Jorge Argueta, originally from El Salvador, is a former Poet Laureate of San Francisco Public Libraries and has been recognized by the Américas Award for Children's and Young Adult Literature annual commended books list. Many of his bilingual books focus on themes of migration, home and community. *Co-Sponsored by the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies at the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee.*

Oct 24, 4-5 pm Impressive Art!

Learn about the Surrealists and create a mono print or paper rubbing using collected materials.

Oct 31, 4-5 pm Dia de los Muertos

Celebrate the day with a special craft. Learn how to make paper marigolds and decorate a paper skull.

Also in October:

Tippecanoe

Oct 3, 6-7 pm

Learn to Dance

the Bomba y Plena

Central

Oct 7, 10:30-11 am

Make Your Own

Tortilla

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Center Street 2727 W. Fond du Lac Ave. • Central 814 W. Wisconsin Ave. • East 2320 N. Cramer St.
Martin Luther King 310 W. Locust St. • Mill Road 6431 N. 76th St. • Mitchell Street 906 W. Mitchell St.
Tippecanoe 3912 S. Howell Ave. • Villard Square 5190 N. 35th St. • Washington Park 2121 N. Sherman Blvd.
Zablocki 3501 W. Oklahoma Ave. • Wisconsin Talking Book and Braille Library 813 W. Wells St.
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