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Job and Career Help @ MPL

On Thursday, June 28, Central Library will host its second annual Job Expo. The Job Expo will connect Milwaukee residents with area employers, including special opportunities for ex-offenders, limited English-speakers, and teens. This popular expo, sponsored by the Friends of the Milwaukee Public Library, compliments the Teen Job Fairs held each year at branch libraries.

Job and career help at MPL extends well beyond the Job Expo. Drop-in Job Help is offered year-round at all Milwaukee Public Libraries by a specialist available to assist in identifying job opportunities, completing applications, writing resumes, and setting up a free e-mail account for job-related correspondence.

The library also offers career help in a variety of ways. Patrons can enroll in free computer classes to become more comfortable using computers and learning a number

of software programs including Word, Excel and PowerPoint. Attendees are free to develop their skills in a stress-free environment with other adults, and can sign up for one class or the whole series.

Patrons can also take free online courses in everything from computer software to foreign languages to language arts with Gale Courses. simply by using their Milwaukee Public Library card. More than 370 classes are listed in the Gale course catalog for participants to learn something new, or enhance the skills needed for the next step of their careers.

Milwaukee Public Library also provides the LearningExpress Library database which patrons can utilize to create resumes, write cover letters and develop interviewing skills, in addition to accessing more than 40 occupational exams. LearningExpress also includes ACT, SAT and TOEFL prep to get patrons ready for higher education.

Once job skills are honed, Milwaukee Public Library offers Reference USA which lists businesses by type/location and includes the names of hiring managers and human resource professionals, as well as news about companies, and full business contact information. Company profiles are linked to real-time job postings.

As always, librarians are available to provide professional, personal assistance to connect residents to job opportunities that will strengthen families and individuals throughout our community.

2018 Job Expo
Central Library
Thursday, June 28
10 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Come Dressed
for Success!**

For an updated list of
employers visit
www.mpl.org/JobExpo



FROM THE



CITY LIBRARIAN PAULA A. KIELY

Your Milwaukee Public Library has always been a reliable source of assistance and information for graduates, job seekers, and individuals looking to improve skills needed to advance their careers or return to the workforce.

What makes the library an important tool for those in Milwaukee's job market? A valuable combination of free resources, professional guidance, and computer access. To me, one of the most valuable resources we offer is the one-on-one, expert guidance provided by our MPL librarians.

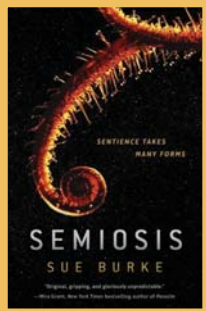
Perhaps you've heard or read the phrase: "Librarians: the original search engine." There's no doubt that the Internet provides a tremendous amount of information, but the best resources may not always be the first ones to pop up in an Internet search - particularly if you don't begin with the most accurate search term. Not only that, many of the most valuable online tools don't provide free access.

Librarians not only know how to refine a search to provide the best online results, they can help direct you to other materials that supplement or better define the information you requested. They can direct you to the many online resources the Milwaukee Public Library subscribes to so you can access that information for free as well. Plus, they've already vetted the plethora of paid online resources so you don't waste your money subscribing to a service that may not be the best fit for your needs.

Librarians have helped thousands of our customers overcome the daunting process of finding a job, returning to the workforce, learning new skills, preparing for a promotion, or charting a new career course.

How can we help you?

Meet the Author: Sue Burke




Join author Sue Burke for a reading of her book *Semiosis* at the **East Branch on Saturday, June 16, 2-3 p.m.**


Milwaukee native Sue Burke began writing professionally as a teenager for her local newspaper. She has worked for newspapers and magazines in the Milwaukee area as a reporter and editor, and began writing fiction in 1995. She lived in Madrid, Spain, from 2000 to 2016, where she became a certified translator from Spanish into English, and has translated short stories, novels, poetry, and historical works from the Middle Ages and Renaissance.

In *Semiosis*, human colonists are forced to land on a planet they aren't prepared for which provides a lush but inexplicable landscape and the ruins of an alien race. Conflicts between generations arise as they struggle to understand one another and grapple with an unknowable alien intellect.

The event is cosponsored by Boswell Books. Books will be available for purchase.



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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

Introducing the Cargill Community Kitchen at the Milwaukee Public Library Mitchell Street Branch

The Cargill Cares Community Outreach Team is proud to sponsor the community kitchen at the Mitchell Street Branch. Kristin Pille of Cargill enjoyed learning about the library's innovative programs and plans for the future and shared, "After touring the library, we were impressed to find out that the library is more than just books and that Milwaukee Public Library supports the same pillars (nutrition, education and the environment) as Cargill Cares."

Emily Perry, Cargill Cares Council President expressed, "Part of what makes Cargill such a strong company is its diversity, which is also what makes the South Side of Milwaukee such a strong community. This kitchen gives community members a way to share their culture and learn more about the art and science of food. We are excited about the countless, long-lasting benefits and opportunities this kitchen will bring, and thankful to be a part of the South Side community!" The demo kitchen is part of the library's first makerspace, the

Northwestern Mutual Foundation Studio M, where patrons can also utilize a recording studio, sound and graphic design editing software, and coding programs.

Armando and Simon Lopez attended the Teen Cooking and Wellness Series hosted by the Milwaukee Public Library Teen Interns. Armando enjoyed spending time with his big brother and learning how to cook, "And the food was good." A variety of different healthy breakfast, lunch, and dinner foods were featured over the course of several weeks. At each workshop, teens participated in a fun fitness activity and used makerspace technology to record recipes that could be shared with friends and family. The teen series is all about meeting new people, having fun, and celebrating wellness at the library.

Event photographs by Jenny Plevin. Mitchell Street Cargill Community Kitchen image by Darris Lee Harris.





FROM THE FRIENDS

OF THE LIBRARY

Friends of the Milwaukee Public Library Books Grant Will Support Milwaukee Film Festival Inspired Materials, Adult Graphic Novels, and Milwaukee County Orthophotography Aerial Maps

As the Milwaukee Film Festival gains in popularity each year, the library plans to expand its collection of materials that focus on the film industry. This collection will serve as a resource to patrons whose creativity and interest in film have been inspired by the films and programming of the Milwaukee Film Festival.

Friends of Milwaukee Public Library have funded a grant which will enable the library to purchase titles on the history of films, as well as career opportunities in the film-making business, film technology, production and financing.

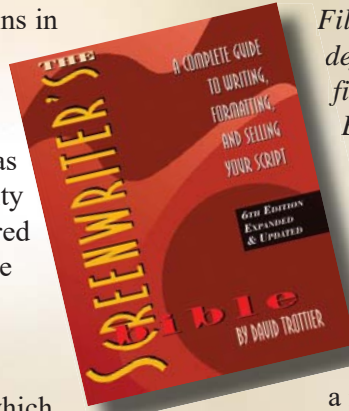
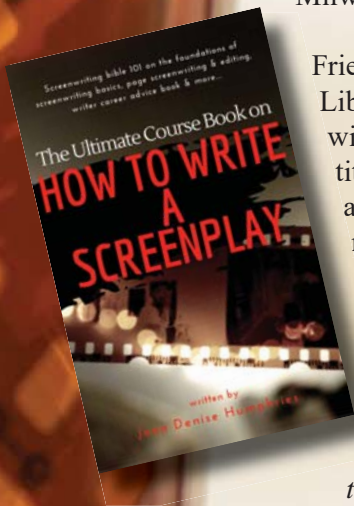
New materials will include titles like • *The Ultimate Course Book on How to Write a Screenplay: Screenwriting bible 101 on the foundations of screenwriting basics, page screenwriting & editing, writer career advice book & more;* • *Create Your Own Career In Hollywood: Advice from a Struggling Actress Who Became a Successful Producer;* • *Action: How to work in Film, TV and Advertising without a costly film degree;* • *The YouTuber Journey: A Complete Guide to Pursuing a Creative Career Through YouTube;* • *The Best Jobs in the Film Industry: Straight Talk From Successful Film Pros;* • *The Screenwriter's Bible, 6th Edition: A Complete Guide to Writing, Formatting, and Selling Your Script;* • *Getting into Films and Television: How to Spot the Opportunities and Find the Best Way;* • *The Digital*

Filmmaking Handbook: The definitive guide to digital filmmaking; • *The Video Editing Handbook;* and • *Cheap Movie Tricks: How To Shoot A Short Film For Under \$2,000.*

Graphic Novels

In 2017, MPL added a new location code for adult graphic novels at Central and at neighborhood branch libraries. Moving this high-interest, high-demand collection out of the regular Dewey Decimal System number and into its own area has had a positive impact on user experience. The collection will be more accessible, and easier to browse and identify character and series titles. Moving the titles into a new location will generate more in-house usage, as well as regular circulation which will result in a greater need for new and replacement titles.

Friends have funded a grant which will add new titles and refresh damaged copies in the adult graphic novel collections.



Orthophotography

The Frank P. Zeidler Humanities Room has map and atlas resources useful to researchers of Milwaukee and Wisconsin history. One such resource includes the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission's (SEWRPC) orthophotographs of sections of Milwaukee County covering the years 1970, 2000 and 2005.

Orthophotography is a method by which ground relief is removed from aerial photography so the resulting images can be used as true maps. Historical aerial photos can assist researchers with family heritage and genealogical research, deed and property disputes, and reveal land use and environmental changes over the years. As a resource library, it is important for MPL to continue to add to, and maintain, this collection.

Friends will also support adding printed sets of aerial orthophotography maps covering the years 2010 and 2015 to MPL's collection.

Proceeds from Friends book sales, the Bookseller Used Book Store, and Friends book carts make grants like this possible. You can join the Friends ongoing literacy efforts by renewing your annual membership at mpl.org/friends.

Welcome

Friends welcome Wendy Mesich as the new Manager of the Bookseller at the Central Library! "The Bookseller has always been a stop for me and my family and to be given this opportunity to work alongside all the amazing volunteers that have made it happen is a real honor. Please visit and learn more about volunteering at the Bookseller," said Wendy.

The Bookseller is a unique used book, media, and gift store located in Milwaukee's Central Library. Operated by the Friends of the Milwaukee Public Library and staffed entirely by volunteers, it generates revenue to support the library.



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 Book Store and R 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.



Summer Used Book Sale

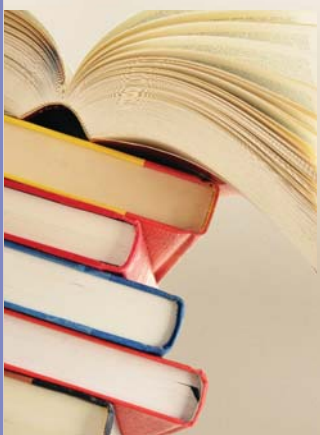
Saturday, June 16, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. ~ Central Library, 814 W. Wisconsin Ave.

Sale will be held in the Bookseller Used Book Store

Featuring a large selection of children's books. 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.

During the month of June, the Bookseller will feature a half-price special on health and medicine.

Next Sale: Saturday, September 15, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 25-cent Book Sale at Central Library





THE BOOKSHELF

Summer Reads

recommended by Popular Materials Selector Jacki Potratz

By Invitation Only by Dorothea Benton Frank.



A young woman from Chicago falls for the owner of a farm on Johns Island, a lush lowcountry paradise off the coast of South Carolina, and trades the bustle of cosmopolitan city life for the simplicity of a small Southern community.

A Nantucket Wedding by Nancy Thayer.



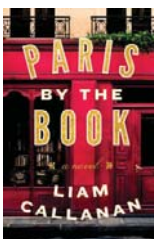
Wedding bells are ringing, a family is reunited, and new love is blooming! As she prepares for her long-awaited wedding to David, Alison finds her life turned upside-down by family drama involving her grown daughters.

The High Season by Judy Blundell.



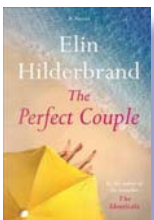
Forced to rent out her family's seaside Long Island home every summer just so they can afford to keep it, Ruthie goes to extreme lengths to protect the life she loves in the wake of a suddenly estranged marriage, the return of an old flame, and her teen daughter's destructive relationship.

Paris by the Book by Liam Callanan.



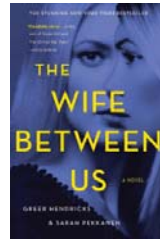
When her eccentric novelist husband disappears leaving behind nothing but a hidden pair of plane tickets to Paris, Leah relocates to France and takes ownership of a small bookstore, where clues she discovers in an unfinished manuscript, and in the literary paths of beloved Parisian classics, lead to consequential truths for her daughters.

The Perfect Couple by Elin Hilderbrand.



It's wedding season, and the sight of a bride racing down Main Street is as common as the sun setting at Madaket Beach. The Otis-Winbury wedding promises to be an event to remember: the groom's wealthy parents have spared no expense to host a lavish ceremony at their oceanfront estate.

The Wife Between Us by Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen.



A psychologically charged tale of suspense follows the unexpected twists that shape a divorce and second marriage that are anything but what they seem. And the ending? It smacks you between the eyes and takes your breath away!

Women in Sunlight by Frances Mayes.



Four American expats and strangers become unexpected friends during a magical year in Tuscany marked by a writer's complicated relationship with the subject of her biography, long-postponed dreams, and shifting senses of adventure and bravery.

I'll Be Your Blue Sky by Marisa De Los Santos.



Three weeks after an elderly neighbor helps her find the courage to end an unhealthy relationship, Clare unexpectedly inherits a small house from the woman and with the help of loved ones pieces together the story of the house and her courageous benefactor.

The Optimist's Guide to Letting Go by Amy E. Reichert.



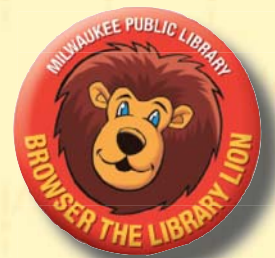
After her mother, Lorraine, has a stroke, food-truck owner, obsessive list-maker, eternal optimist and recent widow Gina Zoberski stumbles upon a family secret Lorraine's kept hidden for years—one that helps her learn to let go as she seeks the truth.

The Husband Hour by Jamie Brenner.



A surprise visitor interrupts a young widow's reclusive life in a charming beach town, forcing her to reckon with dark secrets about her family, her late husband, and the past she has tried to leave behind.

CHILDREN'S ROOM



How Does Your Garden Grow?



Spring is the beginning of the gardening season and Milwaukee offers an abundance of opportunities for children and their families to enjoy during the growing season, including a number of community gardening organizations.

Gardening with children is a wonderful way to introduce them to the life cycle of plants. It gives them the opportunity to learn where food comes from, introduces healthy food choices, and promotes unity within our community.

The Young Farmers program through Groundwork Milwaukee gives school-aged children the opportunity to learn about urban gardening in their own communities. Alice's Garden focuses on growing healthy food, herbs and promoting wellness. The Victory Garden Initiative brings gardening to families in the city by installing raised gardening beds. The organization also offers a Youth Education Program that teaches children about food systems and gardening.

The library offers many options for parents and caregivers interested in introducing children to community gardening from gardening-themed storytimes and books to DVDs. Capitol Branch staff hosts a community garden in front of the library that welcomes family participation. Share these books with your family and get your garden growing!



In My Garden by Ruth A. Musgrave. Ages 0-3. From the National Geographic Kids series, this colorful board book introduces even the youngest children to the joys of planting and caring for a garden.

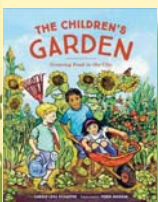


Plants by Kathryn Williams. Ages 5-8. This book first encourages a child and adult to read together to learn more about plants in all types of environments, and then provides the spark for discussion.

Green Green: A Community Gardening Story by Marie and Baldev Lamba; pictures by Sonia Sanchez. Ages 3-7. This story, set in lyrical text, reveals how even in the grayest of cities, with tall buildings and busy streets, a beautiful GREEN garden can flourish with a community's help.



A Seed is the Start by Melissa Stewart. Ages 6-10. Readers discover the life cycle of plants with clever text, including how seeds travel, sprout, and more, all with captivating photographs and cross-section visuals.



The Children's Garden: Growing Food in the City by Carole Lexa Schaefer; illustrated by Pierr Morgan. Ages 3-8. Based on a real place, *The Children's Garden* tells the story of a city garden full of vegetables, fruits, and flowers tended by the children who live there.



Plant, Cook, Eat!: A Children's Cookbook by Joe Archer and Caroline Craig. Ages 6-14. Vivid photographs, informational details, and engaging formatting make this garden-to-table book an ideal primer. Explore the process of planting, harvesting and cooking delicious and healthy foods.

Super Reader Squad Kickoff

Get excited for a summer of reading and learning with a kick-off party at the **Central Library on Saturday, June 16, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

Sign-up for the Super Reader Squad and join Browser, the Library Lion, to “check out” the festivities:

- Start a dance party with a DJ spinning family friendly tunes.
- Laugh out loud as Chris Fascione brings children’s stories to life with his high-spirited performance.
- Visit the Super Reader Squad photo booth and strike a silly pose.
- Get your face-painted and make your way to the treat station for a Super Reader Squad cookie, of course!



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