



CELEBRATE 20 YEARS OF AVID!

The 20th season of the Des Moines Public Library's Authors Visiting in Des Moines (AVID) speaker series kicks off on Saturday, March 28 with **Tayari Jones** at the DSM Book Festival.

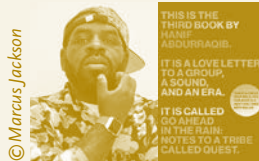


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TAYARI JONES

Saturday, March 28, 3:00 PM, Capital Square

Jones' 2018 bestseller *An American Marriage* was awarded the Women's Prize for Fiction and an NAACP Image Award.

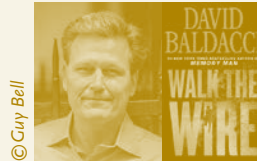


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HANIF ABDURRAQIB

Thursday, April 9, 7:00 PM, Central Library

Abdurraqib's book, *Go Ahead in the Rain*, chronicles A Tribe Called Quest, the 1990s rap group. It was named one of the best books of 2019 by *Library Journal* and others.



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DAVID BALDACCI

Wednesday, April 22, 7:00 PM, Franklin Jr. High

Baldacci is a global #1 best-selling author. His books have been published in more than 80 countries and have sold more than 130 million copies worldwide.

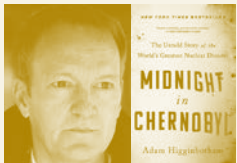


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KATE QUINN

Thursday, April 23, 7:00 PM, Central Library

Quinn is a best-selling historical fiction author. Her 2017 novel, *The Alice Network*, was the third-most requested novel at the Des Moines Public Library in 2019.



ADAM HIGGINBOTHAM

Wednesday, May 6, 7:00 PM, Central Library

Higginbotham's 2019 book, *Midnight in Chernobyl*, examines the Chernobyl nuclear plant disaster in 1986. It earned him the Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence.



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BRAD MELTZER

Thursday, May 14, 7:00 PM, Central Library

The author and television host's new nonfiction book, *The Lincoln Conspiracy*, which will be released in May, details a failed assassination attempt against Abraham Lincoln.



JACQUELINE WOODSON

Wednesday, May 27, 7:00 PM, Sheslow Auditorium at Drake University

Woodson is a four-time National Book Award finalist (and one-time winner), and a two-time NAACP Image Award winner. Her newest novel, *Red at the Bone*, was named one of the best books of 2019 by *Oprah Magazine*.

All AVID events are free. Seating is first come, first served. Free parking is available at Central Library, Franklin Jr. High, and free parking is first come, first served at Drake University. Go to dmpl.org/AVID for more information on the authors and events.

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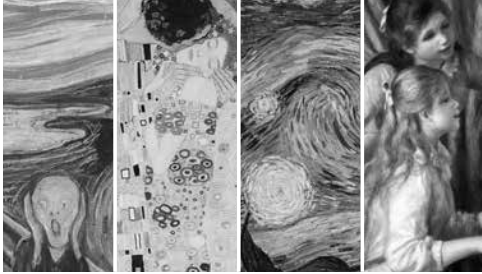
NEW: BOOK CLUB ON THE GO

We know life is busy. For those that need a little flexibility, we have a book club for you. Our new Book Club on the Go meets anytime, anywhere. Pick up your copy of the book beginning on the first Tuesday of each month at the Central Library or check out a digital copy through Libby. Then, join the Book Club on the Go Facebook group and join in on the discussion. The new Book Club on the Go begins in March!

March – *Lincoln in the Bardo*, by George Saunders

April – *Becoming Mortal*, by Atul Gawande

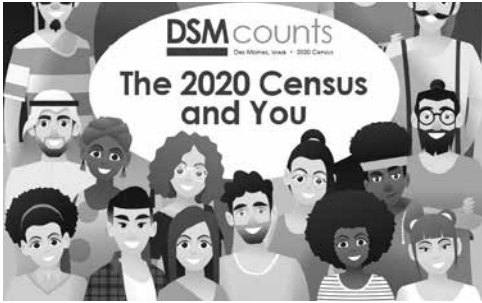
May – *There, There*, by Tommy Orange



A HISTORY OF MODERN ART

Mondays, March 2 & 9, 6:30 PM, Franklin Avenue Library

Natalie J.A. Benson will present the last two sessions of a five-session series on modern art. Benson, who has an Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Modern French Art and Literature, will discuss the movements and artists most identified with the era, roughly covering 1850-1950. No registration required; attendees may come to any or all sessions as each will be self-contained.



DSM COUNTS

Tuesday, March 3, 10, & 31, 6:00 PM, Forest Avenue Library

Monday, March 16 –Friday, March 20, 11:30 AM, Central Library

Thursday, March 5 & 26, 6:30 PM, Franklin Avenue Library

The US Census Bureau, in conjunction with the Des Moines Complete Count Committee, is hosting a series of events where community members can learn about the history and the importance of the Decennial Census. They will discuss the security of your information and how to participate. Census staff will be in attendance to answer questions and Spanish translators will be available.



DES MOINES POLICE DEPARTMENT JOB FAIR

Wednesday, March 4, 5:30 PM, East Side Library

Anyone age 21 and older wanting to learn more about becoming a police officer is welcome. For more information, call 515-318-4089.

Cualquier persona que tenga 21 años or major y quiera saber más sobre ser un policía es bienvenido. Por más información, llama a 515-318-4089.



FALL INTO SPRING BOOK SALE

March 5-7, Central Library

Shop Central's book sale and back room for great deals on books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, and other fun items!



MAKE A MOTION! FIND OUT MORE ABOUT PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

Thursday, March 5, 6:00 PM, North Side Library

Bring your questions about parliamentary procedures for your business meetings. Cleon Babcock, CPP, is a certified Parliamentary Consultant. He will answer questions that could help avoid legal challenges to your actions and produce more productive meetings.

SOUL FOOD FESTIVAL



Saturday, March 7, 10:00 AM-5:00 PM, Forest Avenue Library

Join us for the Friends of the Forest Avenue Library's annual Soul Food Festival! Meals will be served from 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. Total cost of meal: \$6. A la carte and dessert items also available.

SOCIAL SECURITY EXPLAINED WITH SOFA

Wednesday, March 11, 6:30 PM, Central Library

Saturday, March 14, 10:30 AM, Central Library

Getting ready to take Social Security? Trying to plan ahead? Join us for an informative, free session with Ryan Biniak, from the Society for Financial Awareness.

LIBBY APP BASICS



PART 1

Installing the app and checking out materials

Friday, March 13, 2:00 PM, North Side Library

PART 2

Searching for items and using search filters

Friday, March 20, 2:00 PM, North Side Library

GOODFOOT WITH ERIN BROOKER-MILLER AND ANDY MILLER

Monday, March 16, 6:00 PM, Franklin Avenue Library

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with an evening of Irish music, performed by Goodfoot. Members include harpist Erin Brooker-Miller, who has competed and won awards in the highest traditional Irish music competitions, and percussionist Andy Miller, the Music Director in the Dance Department at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee teaching courses in music, sound design, and digital media.

MASTER GARDENER WEBCASTS @ THE FOREST AVENUE LIBRARY

Wednesday, March 18, 6:30 PM – Iowa Weather

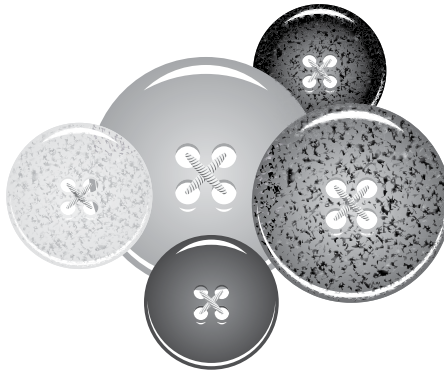
Wednesday, March 25, 6:30 PM – The Kids in the Garden Program

Wednesday, April 1, 6:30 PM – The Ada Hayden Herbarium

The Polk County Master Gardeners will host three webcasts this spring as we get ready for growing season! Discuss the Iowa's climate and the changing growing conditions, volunteering as part of the Kids in the Garden program, and learning more about native plants and early Iowa botanists.

HISTORY OF BUTTONS

Thursday, March 19, 2:30 PM, South Side Library



Find out about the history and mystery of sewing buttons from around the world. Presenter Mona Abrahamson has been learning about and avidly collecting sewing buttons for over ten years and is a member of the National Button Society, Iowa State Button Society, and Central Iowa Button Club.

LET'S DRAW DES MOINES

Monday, March 23, 5:30 PM, Central Library

Monday, April 27, 5:30 PM, Central Library

Join us this spring for outdoor drawing at the Central Library. Artists will venture outside to draw at nearby downtown locations. Easels, paper, and basic drawing supplies will be provided. Open to all skill levels, ages 16 and up.

We the Interwoven:

AN EVENING WITH AUTHOR ANTONIA RIVERA



Monday, March 23, 6:00 PM, East Site Library

Join us for an evening with author Antonia Rivera, one of seven authors featured in *We The Interwoven: An Anthology of Bicultural Iowa*. Antonia will share her story

about coming to America from Mexico as a young child seeking refuge in America and about her challenges with creating a life in Iowa.

THE MISSOURI COMPROMISE AND ITS IMPACT ON IOWA HISTORY

Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 PM, Forest Avenue Library

To acknowledge the 200th anniversary of the Missouri Compromise, the Forest Avenue Library will host a presentation on Black History in Iowa, sponsored by Humanities Iowa, that will give special attention to the impact of the Missouri Compromise on Iowa's African-American History.

STAGECOACH WOMEN: AUTHOR VISIT WITH CHERYL MULLENBACH

Wednesday, March 25, 6:00 PM, South Side Library

We are thrilled to welcome author Cheryl Mullenbach as she shares her newest tale of brave women. *Stagecoach Women* offers an expansive overview of stagecoach history in the United States enriched by the personal stories of women who contributed to the evolution and success of a captivating facet of American history. Prepare for a teeth-rattling, romance-shattering journey that jolts away preconceived notions about women and stagecoaches and surprises with its twists and turns.



SOCIAL MEDIA AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Monday, March 30, 6:00 PM, East Side Library

Join us for a special presentation from The Set Me Free Project. The Set Me Free Project provides education on how human trafficking impacts our communities along with conversation surrounding the topics of social media safety and human dignity. They equip youth, parents, and communities with information to keep them safe and help them understand their value. After the presentation, there will be time for discussion and a Q&A.

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STAYING SAFE ONLINE WITH TROOPER ROD LARSON

Monday, April 6, 6:00 PM, East Side Library

Join us for an educational evening with Trooper Rod Larson from the Iowa State Patrol. Learn more about the danger children face while online including predators, sexting, and cyberbullying. He will also share tips that parents can use to monitor their children while online. After the presentation, there will be time for a Q&A with Trooper Larson.

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AN INTRODUCTION TO OVERNIGHT OATS

Monday, April 13, 6:00 PM, East Side Library

Oatmeal has long been a staple for breakfast but with overnight oats it's transformed into an easy grab and go breakfast, light lunch or snack. Add the right ingredients and it becomes a powerhouse of nutrition. Join us as we learn about the positive nutritional benefits of this tasty treat and then build your own to take home. Supplies are limited and will be distributed on a first-come, first served basis.

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WORLD MUSIC WITH FRANK STRONG

Monday, April 13, 6:30 PM, South Side Library

Celebrate the Week of the Young Child with a World Music concert with Frank Strong at the South Side Library at 6:30 p.m. Frank Strong is a guitarist, vocalist, and harmonica player who has performed blues, folk, country, and Americana music for more than 30 years. This interactive performance will have children and adults dancing while learning how music from different cultures can influence other types of music. All ages welcome!

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PERFORMANCE AND WORKSHOP WITH IOWA POET CALEB “THE NEGRO ARTIST” RAINEY

Performance: Wednesday, April 15, 7:00 PM, Forest Avenue Library

Workshop: Wednesday, April 22, 7:00 PM, Forest Avenue Library

Celebrate National Poetry Month with Iowa poet Caleb “The Negro Artist” Rainey. His debut book, *Look, Black Boy*, became Amazon’s #1 new release in African American poetry, and was featured on Iowa Public Radio. Enjoy the performance? Come back the next week for a workshop and write with our visiting poet! Register for the workshop at dmpl.org/events.

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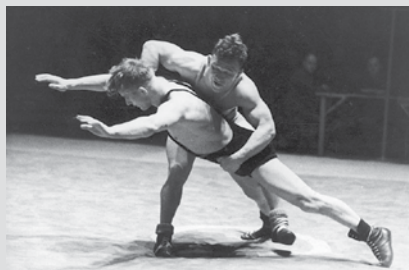
Our Hospitality, WITH PIANIST BRUCE MARTIN

Monday, April 20, 6:30 PM, Franklin Avenue Library

Buster Keaton lampoons the infamous Appalachian Hatfield-McCoy feud in the 1923 silent feature *Our Hospitality*. Keaton’s then-wife Natalie Talmadge also stars as his off-limits love interest. Local keyboard whiz Bruce Martin will provide live accompaniment.

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Friday, March 6, from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at the Central Library

Start solving mysteries at the library and end the evening at Americana.

\$20 per team of up to 4 members. Includes a free drink ticket.

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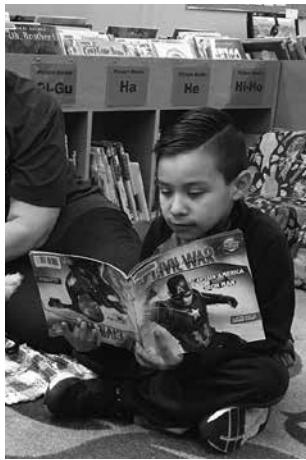
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Wednesday, April 15, 12:00 PM, Central Library
Joshua Barr, Director of the Des Moines Civil & Human Rights Commission.

Join us over the lunch hour to hear the “spark stories” that motivate local leaders to make Des Moines and Iowa a better place. Oropeza helps provide Iowa Latinx students with opportunities to develop leadership skills and career readiness. Barr provides opportunities for the impoverished and helps proactively curb discrimination. There will be unstructured networking before and after the program, and attendees should feel free to bring in their lunch.

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Sunday, May 3, 1:00-5:00 PM,
Central Library

Mark your calendar for the Des Moines Public Library's third annual family-friendly festival for all fandoms. Celebrate the heroes and villains of your favorite books, movies, TV shows, and more throughout the afternoon. We'll have tons of activities and lots of special costumed guests as well. Feel free to dress up as your favorite character!



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