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#### **KIDS' EVENTS**

Story Time with Miss Margaret Tuesdays in March, 10 – 10:30 a.m. Recommended for ages 2 and up.

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**Dogs for our Brave** Wednesdays in March, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Recommended for ages 5 and up.

**Infant Story Time with Miss Margaret** Thursday, March 7 & 22, 10 – 10:30 a.m.

Recommended for infants to age 2.

Saturday Story Time Saturday, March 16 & 23, 10 – 10:30 a.m. Recommended for ages 2 and up.

**LEGO at the Library** Saturday, March 16, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Recommended for ages 8 – 14.

Sweet & Salty After School Movie: *Wish* Monday, March 18, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Recommended for ages 5 and up.



#### **LIBRARY HOURS**

Monday – Thursday Friday & Saturday Sunday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

The Library will be closed Sunday, March 31, for Easter.

#### **DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

At the end of February, we had a program about Susan B. Anthony and the integral part she played in the women's suffrage movement that was presented by the not-forprofit Voices of American HERstory. It was a fantastic program and a great lead up to Women's History Month which takes place this month.

This month, in the Library's front lobby you will find a display of pictures from the Missouri History Museum's photo collection highlighting just a small portion of the rich history of black women in St. Louis. These women, often dismissed and overlooked for both their gender and the color of their skin, fought to demand the safety, respect, and civil liberties owed to all people. Their incredible efforts brought progress towards

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

On Saturday, March 9, from 2:30 to 4:30, volunteers from the Webster Groves Historical Society will provide a seminar on the steps and resources available to delve into the history of your Webster Groves home. The seminar will also cover the process to apply for a Century Home Plaque from the Webster Groves Historical Society.



An evening of songs and stories with South African-born Singer-Songwriter and Author ASHTON NYTE

Top 17 Alburns of 2023 American Songwriter "stark, intimate beauty" American "Johannesburg's Bowie" NPR "personal, profound storytelling" Postpunk

SATURDAY, MARCH. 9 7pm (Doors at 6:30 pm) equality in communities throughout St. Louis as well as across the country.

I am incredibly appreciative of the women in my life who have played an integral part in me becoming who I am and who continue to inspire me every day. I am also endlessly grateful for all the women who have come before me who worked with grace, passion, fortitude, and grit to pave the way for future generations and for those today who continue to fight for change and to make the world a better place for everyone.

Cheers, Madison mmorris@wgpl.org







## **TOP REQUESTS**

- 1. The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store,
- by James McBride
- 2. The Women,
- by Kristin Hannah 3. The Fury,
- by Alex Michaelides
- 4. Three-Inch Teeth, by C. J. Box
- 5. The Bee Sting, by Paul Murray
- 6. First Lie Wins,
- by Ashley Elston 7. Holmes, Marple & Poe,
- by James Patterson & Brian Sitts 8. *The Exchange*,

by John Grisham

9. North Woods,

by Daniel Mason 10. The Frozen River,

- by Ariel Lawhon
- 11. The Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, by Tim Alberta
- 12. The Phoenix Crown, by Kate Quinn & Janie Chang



## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY





# SMALL WORKS

Webster Arts presents their imaginative and exciting Small Works collection for your viewing pleasure in the WGPL art gallery during the month of March. Come experience the art and meet the artists at the opening reception on Friday, March 1, at 6:30.

#### **TECHNOLOGY GRANT**

We recently applied for and received a grant that has enabled us to make some computer updates at the Library. The grant has allowed us to update catalog computers, staff computers, and laptops that we use for services like VHS conversion and programming.

This project is supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.



## **BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

Tuesday, March 26 at 6 p.m.



The General in His Labyrinth by Gabriel García Márquez

#### Saturday, April 6 at 2 p.m.



The Daughters of Yalta by Catherine Grace Katz

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

#### **Board Game Nite**

Thursday, March 7, 6 – 8:30 p.m. Come play games at the Library! Ages 15 and up.

#### Paint and Sip

Sunday, March 10, 2:30 – 5 p.m. Ages 15 and up.



Many thanks to all who are renewing memberships or joining the Friends for the first time—we are happy to note that more folks are using our PayPal account! Your generosity supports so many on-going programs and services at the Library. We are excited to offer some new events this spring and summer, including Beyond the Page with Rich Galyon, who has just published a book about St. Louis bakeries.

As the weather gets warmer, St. Louis Engraving will update the pavers in the Reading Garden. We appreciate your patience–some of the pavers have been on hold for quite a while. If you'd like to order a paver, check the link on the Friends Page at <u>wgpl.org</u>.

We are always interested in having new Board members—if serving on the Board calls to you, please join us at the next Friends Board meeting, Tuesday, March 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room. We will be continuing our planning for 2024. All Friends members are welcome at Board Meetings!



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