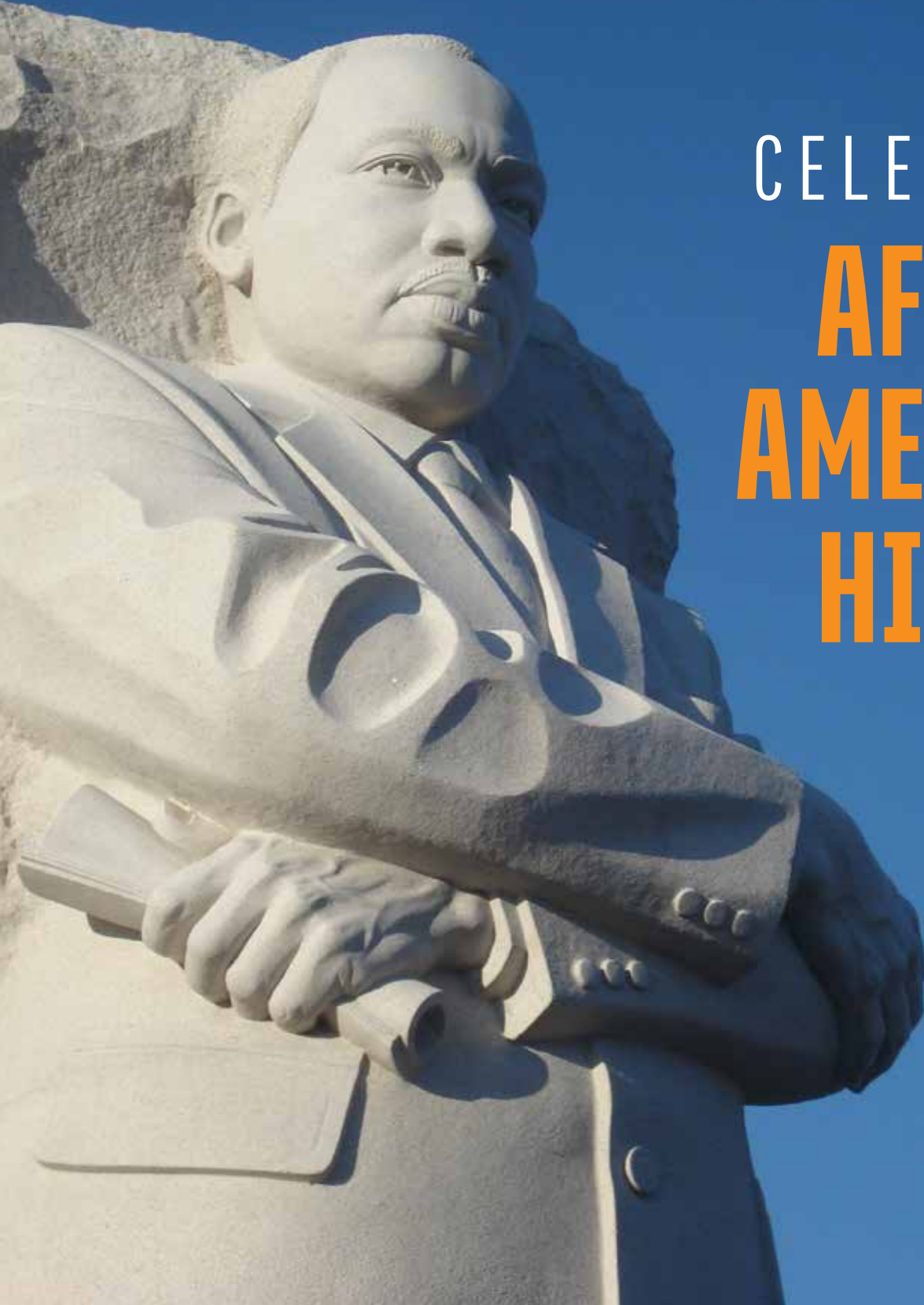




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CELEBRATING **AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**



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Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 9, 16, 23, MARCH 2, 9 16, 23

Registration begins at 9am and ends when slots are full.

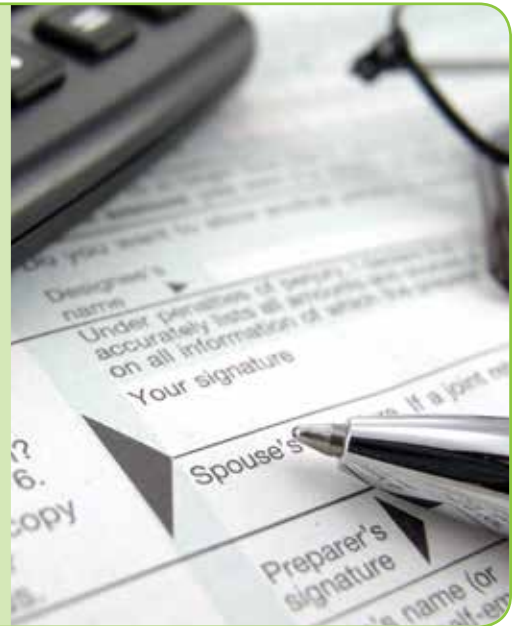
VITA volunteers will provide income tax assistance to those with low to moderate incomes (\$50,000 or less) filing 2018 tax returns. No itemized deductions, business income, self-employed, or capital gains transactions).

Bring proof of income (W-2, 1099, SSI benefits), proof of identity (driver's license or state identification), and proof of

Social Security number (Social Security card preferred) for every family member being claimed.

Homeowners MUST bring their 2018 property tax statements for BOTH winter and summer property taxes to claim the property tax credit.

Those who purchased health insurance through the Healthcare Marketplace and received advanced premium payments MUST bring Form 1095-A.



ONLINE: WINTER READING PROGRAM FOR ALL AGES; CHILDREN/TEEN/ADULT

When: February 15 – March 30, 2019

The Winter Reading Challenge theme is WINTER!

Beginning February 15 you can register for the Winter Reading Challenge and compete for prizes, awards and complete the reading and online challenges!

Something for all ages! The Challenge runs until the end of school Spring Break—March 30, 2019! Look for the Winter Reading Challenge link from our webpage beginning February 15!

Children (0-12): Read 3 books and get a prize and a free Book.

Teens (13-17): Read 1 book and write a review of it to get a prize and a free Book.

Adults: The Library will be awarding weekly prizes for your favorite winter pastime: reading! Read what you like or participate in fun, interesting reading challenges.

Join the Library's GoodReads group, Flint Public Library Reads, for additional chances to earn points towards the drawings and to connect with other readers.



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Tuesday – Thursday, 11am-8pm

Friday – Saturday, 9am-6pm

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Make sure we have your correct email to receive a link to the program guide and our Constant Contact communications regarding Library programs and services.

For more information on any of our programs see our website at www.fpl.info or our Facebook page.

EVERY CHILD READY TO READ STORY TIMES:

Rhymes & Reading: Child and Parent Story Time (Ages 2-3)

Tuesdays at 5:30pm

January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19

Based on the "Every Child Ready to Read" five practices

Talking ★ **Singing** ★ **Reading** ★ **Writing** ★ **Playing**

Parents and caregivers be ready to engage with your child in this interactive story time with an introduction to Baby Yoga. Babies can come in their PJ's!

Register, call 810.249.2170.



Super Saturday Story Time:

Families with pre-k and elementary school age children Saturdays (6 weeks), 1pm

A traditional story time for the family with an emphasis on helping children build reading skills. Tap and Tell is technology exploration for young children. Tell-A-Tail welcomes real live dogs who love to listen to children practice their reading skills.

DATE	THEME
January 5	Tap and Tell – explore color
January 12	Winter – followed by Tell-A-Tail
January 19	Tap and Tell - MLK birthday – followed by movie: Selma Lord Selma
January 26	Polar Bears and Penguins
February 2	Tap and Tell – shadows and light
February 9	Valentine's Day
February 16	Tap and Tell – National Children's Dental Health Month – followed by Tell-A-Tail
February 23	African American Story Time followed by a related craft

STEAM SATURDAYS

TECH Studio OH! SATURDAYS @ 2PM
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Drop-In, no registration required

Explore and build using science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM)

January 26 – Rube Goldberg Machines

February 2 – Sound

February 9 – Wind Power

AFRICAN AMERICAN STORY TIME WITH MISS BRENDA

Saturday, February 23, 1pm

Retired children's librarian and professional storyteller, Brenda Harris shares tales from African American culture.



LITTLE EXPLORERS: SENSORY EXPLORATION FOR AGES 1-4

Saturday, January 19, February 16, Noon-1pm

Come get messy with us as we explore our five senses!

We will have a variety of sensory stations with activities such as sand, water balls, play-doh, and more! Dress accordingly, as clothes may get dirty. This is a program for young children, 1-4yrs., with parental supervision. We will also offer a baby-centered play area with age appropriate baby toys and activities.



FAMILY MOVIE

Saturday, January 19, 2PM



Disney's Selma Lord Selma
(run time 89 minutes)

In 1965 Alabama, an 11 year old girl (Jurnee Smollett) is touched by a speech by Martin Luther King, Jr. (Clifton Powell) and becomes a devout follower. But her resolution is tested when she joins others in the famed march from Selma to Montgomery.

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TECH StudiOH!

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SATURDAYS WITH STEVE — MINECRAFT @ FPL (AGES 12-17) CALL 810.249.2569 TO REGISTER.

Saturday, January 12 and February 2 & 23
NEW START TIME FOR ADVANCED PLAYERS

3pm – Advanced Minecraft

Learn how to modify Minecraft through code! Get started in computer coding by redesigning your Minecraft experience.

Call 810.249.2569 to register.



3:30-5pm – MINECRAFT OPEN PLAY

Meet up with fellow Minecraft adventurers to build and survive in unique and exciting worlds. Featuring different game modes and themes each time to challenge players of all skill levels. Beginners are welcome too!

Call 810.249.2569 to register.

TECH StudiOH! OPEN HOUSE

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Saturday, January 26
& February 16, 3-5pm

Drop in and see what's happening in the Tech StudiOH! Explore some of our digital programming and play some video games - both new and retro! Also a great time to work on Minecraft coding or game design. (Families or ages 10+)

NEW PROGRAM: GAME DESIGN (AGES 12-17)

Saturday, January 19 & February 9, 3-5pm

Work with the Unity engine to create your own challenging levels within a pre-made game, similar to Super Mario or other platforms. No coding required! Call 810.249.2569 to register.

SCHEDULE YOUR AFTERSCHOOL GROUP TO EXPERIENCE TECH STUDIO!

Interested in technology programming as fun activities using computers, tablets and other digital tools for your afterschool or youth group? Contact Rick Dunning, Digital Initiatives Manager, at 810.249.2452 to set up a visit to the library or we can bring a Tech StudiOH! experience to your location.

TEEN SOCIAL JUSTICE BOOK CLUB

Ages 13-17 (12 with permission)

Last Thursday of the Month, 4:30-5:30pm, Room 204

Read the book for the month and come join us as we discuss the book, its major themes, and how we see them impacting the world around us.



January 31 – Wonder by R.J. Palacio

August Pullman is a 10-year-old boy who likes Star Wars and Xbox, ordinary except for his jarring facial anomalies. Homeschooled all his life, August heads to public school for fifth grade and he is not the only one changed by the experience.



February 28 – X by Ilyasah Shabazz

Cowritten by Malcolm X's daughter, this riveting and revealing novel follows the formative years of the man whose words and actions shook the world.



Tween Teen Writers Workshop

(AGES 11-17)

TUESDAYS, 4:30-6pm

JANUARY 8 & 22 • FEBRUARY 5 & 19

Learn about literature, writing, publishing and critiquing and share your work with teen peers.

Facilitated by Connor Coyne author and director of Flint's Gothic Funk Press. Drop-in or register at 810.249.2569.





Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 2019

LIBRARY OPEN: 9am – 6pm

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION: 2pm

Community Celebration at the Flint Public Library and the Flint Institute of Arts.

The celebration begins at noon with the Flint Institute of Arts (FIA) galleries open free of charge for all visitors until 5pm.

The FPL also offers a family craft activity at 1pm for children and parents to create a Peace Dove banner to hang at home.

At 2pm the Flint Public Library (FPL) presents its annual community celebration dedicated to the life and work of Dr. Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. Now in its 34th year, the program will have a new look.

Our keynote speaker is Dr. Gail C. Christopher (Washington DC), who recently retired from her role as Senior Advisor and Vice President



Dr. Gail C. Christopher

at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, where she was the driving force behind two key initiatives – America Healing and Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation (TRHT). She is an award-winning social change expert known for her pioneering work to

infuse holistic health and diversity concepts into public sector programs and policy discourse. In addition, she is the founder of the Ntianu Center for Nature and Healing. Come hear Dr. Christopher’s message of healing for Flint.



The Community Foundation of Greater Flint is sponsoring Dr. Christopher’s visit and has been involved in presenting visioning sessions and one-on-one conversations throughout the community in partnership with the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. The goal has been to find shared truths and to understand and appreciate our common humanity. In addition, the sessions explored what the Flint area could look like if we “jettison the historic and contemporary beliefs in a hierarchy of human value.”

The event’s Master of Ceremony will be Matt Franklin, anchor at ABC12. Flint duo, K&A (vocalist Adam Baker and pianist Katai Harris) will provide musical entertainment. Drum calls and excerpts from MLK speeches will be performed by the Gamma Delta Kudos sponsored by the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa followed by a performance by Creative Expressions Dance Studio.



Matt Franklin

The celebration continues at the Flint Institute of Arts with light treats, open galleries and a Free Family Activity from 4-5pm. Come and check us out!

BOOKED FOR LUNCH *Michigan!*

Bring your lunch and join us the 4th Wednesday, 12:30pm, for a book discussion with a Michigan author. Books will be available for sale and signing.

JANUARY 23, 12:30PM

A \$500 House in Detroit: Rebuilding an Abandoned Home and an American City by *Drew Philp*



Philp, an idealistic college student from a working-class Michigan family, decides to live where he can make a difference. He sets his sights on Detroit, the failed metropolis of abandoned buildings, widespread poverty, and rampant crime. Arriving with no job, no friends, and no money, Philp buys a ramshackle house for five hundred dollars in the east side neighborhood known

as Poletown. The roomy Queen Anne he now owns is little more than a clapboard shell on a crumbling brick foundation, missing windows, heat, water, electricity, and a functional roof.

FEBRUARY 27, 12:30PM

The Page Fence Giants: A History of Black Baseball’s Pioneering Champions by *Mitch Lutzke*



The Page Fence Giants, an all-star black baseball club sponsored by a woven-wire fence company in Adrian, Michigan, graced the diamond in the 1890s. Formed through a partnership between black and white boosters, the team’s respectable four-year run was an early integration success – before integration was phased out decades ahead of Jackie Robinson’s 1947 debut, and the growing Jim Crow sentiment

blocked the Page Fence Giant’s best talent from the major leagues. This book tells the story of a long-ignored team at the close of the 19th century, whose Hall of Famer second baseman Sol White was but one of their best players.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMS

February 1 Family Movie: *Annie* (1hr. 58 min.), 3:30pm

February 5 Greater Flint African American Sports Hall of Fame: *Announcement Reception*, 5:30-7pm
Announcement reception co-sponsored by McLaren Flint. *The 35th Induction Dinner will be held March 24, Genesys, 4pm, tickets \$45. Call 810.659.4693 for tickets.*



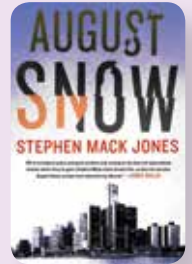
February 8 Family Movie: *The Princess and the Frog* (1hr. 38 min.), 3:30pm

February 15 Family Movie: *Akeelah and the Bee* (1hr. 52 min.), 3:30pm

February 22 Family Movie: *Disney's Perfect Harmony* (1hr. 33 min.), 3:30pm

February 23 Saturday After Hours Concert: *Smooth Operation Project*, 6:30pm
Blending the sounds of funk, jazz and R&B, enjoy a diverse group of musicians based in Flint known as the Smooth Operation Project.

February 28 Author Visit: *Stephen Mack Jones*, 6pm
Stephen Mack Jones is a published poet, award-winning playwright, and recipient of the prestigious Kresge Arts in Detroit Literary Fellowship. He is the author of the critically acclaimed August Snow series which is about a former Detroit policeman who uses his wealth to bring back his neighborhood and settle old scores. Book signing and sales to follow presentation.



MOVIES SPONSORED BY: UnitedHealthcare

EXHIBITS:

A PROUD HERITAGE:

The Flint Pan-Hellenic Council
January 15 – February 23, 2019
Second Floor flat and upright cases



Exhibit prepared by local graduate chapters of African American service sororities and fraternities highlighting their history and impact on our community.

- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.,** Zeta Beta Omega Chapter
- Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.,** Epsilon Upsilon Lambda Chapter
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.,** Flint Alumnae Chapter
- Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.,** Flint Alumni Chapter
- Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.,** Omicron Rho Chapter
- Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.,** Iota Beta Sigma Chapter
- Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.,** Zeta Beta Zeta Chapter

THE PIERIANS, INC., "THIS IS US: OUR YOUTH, GENERATION Z"

Meet the Artists Reception: Saturday, January 26, 2pm
See the exhibit through February 28th



Meet these young emerging artists from our community, including students from YouthQuest, Boys and Girls Club (A Vegetable Consciousness Project of the Planted Kingdom), the Chosen Few Arts Project and the Sylvester Broome Empowerment Village News Movement (a youth journalism program), Powers Catholic High School and the International Academy of Flint.

THE MOTT-WARSH COLLECTION

JANUARY 2019 – APRIL 2019

Children's Room - Watercolor Paintings from the Mott-Warsh Collection

2nd Floor Gallery - Recent Acquisitions from the Mott-Warsh Collection

Reading Room - El Anatsui, *Still More Came Back*, 2005, Found objects

The Mott-Warsh Collection, based in Flint, Michigan, is a private collection of fine art created by artists of the African diaspora. The Mott-Warsh Collection lends collection items to Flint-based public institutions and nationally touring museum and college exhibitions.

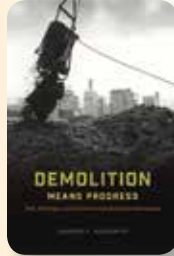
Visit the MW Gallery, 111 E. Court St. Suite 2C, Flint. Call 810.767.3989 for hours and information.



COMMUNITY READ

Demolition Means Progress:
Flint, Michigan, and the Fate
of the American Metropolis
Saturday, January 12, 11am-1pm

WITH THE AUTHOR
Andrew R. Highsmith



In 1997, after General Motors shuttered a massive complex of factories in the gritty industrial city of Flint, Michigan, signs were placed around the empty facility reading, "Demolition Means Progress," suggesting that the struggling metropolis could not move forward to greatness until the old plants met the wrecking ball. Much more than a trite corporate slogan, the phrase encapsulates the operating ethos of the nation's metropolitan leadership from at least the 1930s to the present. What is your viewpoint? Come and discuss these ideas with your community and the author.



Andrew R. Highsmith

Books available for check-out and download! Check the Library's website for availability! This is a Community Read event. Discussion of the book will continue monthly through June 8 at various locations. Community Read sponsors are The Flint and Genesee Literacy Network, Flint ReCAST and the University of Michigan-Flint.

Fiction Only Book Club

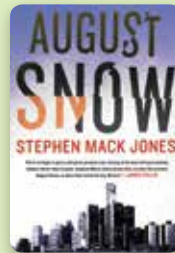
January 16, Noon
Imagine Me Gone by Adam Haslett

A ferociously intimate story of a family facing the ultimate question: how far will we go to save the people we love the most?



ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR!

February 20, Noon
August Snow by Stephen Mack Jones



Tough, smart, and struggling to stay alive, August Snow is the embodiment of Detroit. The son of an African-American father and a Mexican-American mother, August grew up in the city's Mexican-town and joined the police force only to be drummed out by a conspiracy of corrupt cops and politicians. But August fought back; he took on the city and got himself a \$12 million wrongful dismissal settlement that left him low on friends. He has just returned to the house he grew up in after a year away, and quickly learns he has many scores to settle. **Meet the author, February 28, 6pm.**

ARMCHAIR TRAVELER

Tuesdays at 12:15pm

Take a visual vacation. See a travelogue film!

- January 8** Under The Radar
- January 15** Malta
- January 22** Brava Italia Proud Traditions
- January 29** The Beautiful Lives (Italy)
- February 5** The Underground Rail Road
- February 12** The Eternal Country
- February 19** Victoria Falls
- February 26** Drakensberg & Barrier of Spears



Friends
of Flint Public Library

BOOK DROP-OFF

Saturdays 10am-NOON at the FPL garage
JANUARY 5 & FEBRUARY 2

Time to go through your books, cds, vinyl, dvd's and donate them to the library. Get a receipt for your donation.

CHESS FOR EVERYONE!

All ages and skill levels welcome
3:30-5:30pm, January 5 & January 19,
February 2 and February 16



FLINT AREA PUBLIC AFFAIRS FORUM

Tuesday, January 15, 5:30pm

"Bringing Back Civility: Engaging in an Era of Social Media"

CLOSED JANUARY 1, 2019

JANUARY 3, THURSDAY

- FDL Monthly Board Meeting, 5:30pm

JANUARY 5, SATURDAY

- Friends of the Library Book Drop-Off, 10am-Noon
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time and Tap and Tell, 1pm
- Chess for Everyone, 3-5:30pm

JANUARY 8, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- Tween Teen Writers Workshop, 4:30-6pm
- Friends of the Flint Public Library meeting, 5:30pm

JANUARY 12, SATURDAY

- **Community Read** with the author of *Demolition Means Progress: Flint, Michigan, and the Fate of the American Metropolis*, with Andrew R. Highsmith, 11-1pm
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time and Tell-A -Tail, 1pm
- Saturdays with Steve: Minecraft Ages 12-17, Advanced Players, 3:-5pm*
Minecraft Open Play, 3:30-5pm*

JANUARY 15, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- Flint Area Public Affairs Forum, *"Bringing Back Civility: Engaging in the Era of Social Media,"* 5:30pm
- ECRR Rhymes and Reading Story Time for children 2-3 years old, 5:30pm.*

JANUARY 16, WEDNESDAY

- Fiction Only Book Club, *Imagine Me Gone* by Adam Haslett, Noon

JANUARY 19, SATURDAY

- Little Explorers, ages 1-4, Noon-1pm
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time and Tap and Tell, 1pm
- Family Movies, *Selma Lord Selma*, sponsored by UnitedHealthcare, 2pm
- Game Design, ages 12+, 3-5pm*
- Chess for Everyone, 3-5:30pm

JANUARY 21, MONDAY

- MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY
LIBRARY OPEN 9AM-6PM**
- MLK Day Children's Craft, 1pm
 - Community Celebration, 2-4pm
 - Flint Institute of Arts 4-5pm

JANUARY 22, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- Tween Teen Writers Workshop, 4:30-6pm
- ECRR Rhymes and Reading Story Time for children 2-3 years old, 5:30pm.*

JANUARY 23, WEDNESDAY

- Booked for Lunch Michigan! Bring your lunch and hear Drew Philp talk about his book *A \$500 House in Detroit, Rebuilding an Abandoned Home and an American City*, 12:30pm.

JANUARY 24, THURSDAY

- FDL Finance Committee Meeting, 5:30pm

JANUARY 26, SATURDAY

- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time, 1pm
- Pierians Reception for exhibit, Young Artists, 2pm
- STEAM Saturday's, 2nd grade and up, 2pm
- TECHStudiOH! Open House, families or ages 10+,3-5pm

JANUARY 29, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- ECRR Rhymes and Reading Story Time for children 2-3 years old, 5:30pm.*

JANUARY 31, THURSDAY

- Teen Social Justice Book Club (Age 13+, 12 with permission). Join us as we discuss *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio, 4:30-5:30pm

FEBRUARY 1, FRIDAY

- Black History Month Movies, *Annie*, with Jamie Foxx, sponsored by UnitedHealthcare, 3:30-5:30pm

FEBRUARY 2, SATURDAY

- Friends of the Library Book Drop-Off, 10am-Noon
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time and Tap and Tell, 1pm
- STEAM Saturdays, second grade and up, 2pm.
- Saturdays with Steve: Minecraft Ages 12-17, Advanced Players, 3:-5pm*
Minecraft Open Play, 3:30-5pm*
- Chess for Everyone, 3:30-5pm

FEBRUARY 5, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- Tween Teen Writers Workshop, 4:30-6pm
- Greater Flint African American Hall of Fame, Induction Reception, sponsored by McLaren Flint, 5:30pm
- ECRR Rhymes and Reading Story Time for children 2-3 years old, 5:30pm.*

FEBRUARY 7, THURSDAY

- FDL Monthly Board Meeting, 5:30pm

FEBRUARY 8, FRIDAY

- Black History Month Movies, Disney's *Princess and the Frog*, sponsored by UnitedHealthcare, 3:30-5:30pm

FEBRUARY 9, SATURDAY

- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, registration begins at 9am and ends when slots are filled for the day.
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time, 1pm
- STEAM Saturdays, second grade and up, 2pm
- Game Design, ages 12+, 3-5pm*

FEBRUARY 12, TUESDAY

- Armchair Traveler, 12:15pm
- ECRR Rhymes and Reading Story Time for children 2-3 years old, 5:30pm*

FEBRUARY 15 FRIDAY

- Black History Month Movies, *Akeelah and the Bee*, sponsored by UnitedHealthcare, 3:30-5:30pm

FEBRUARY 16, SATURDAY

- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, registration begins at 9am and ends when slots are filled for the day.
- Little Explorers, ages 1-4, Noon-1pm
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FEBRUARY 20, WEDNESDAY

- Fiction Only Book Club, *August Snow* by Mack Jones, Noon

FEBRUARY 22, FRIDAY

- Black History Month Movies, *Disney's Perfect Harmony*, sponsored by UnitedHealthcare, 3:30-5:30pm

FEBRUARY 23, SATURDAY

- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, registration begins at 9am and ends when slots are filled for the day, Saturdays through March 23.
- ECRR Super Saturday Story Time with Miss Brenda and craft, 1pm
- Saturdays with Steve: Minecraft Ages 12-17, Advanced Players, 3:-5pm*
Minecraft Open Play, 3:30-5pm*
- Saturday Night After-Hours Concert, Smooth Operation Project, 6:30pm

FEBRUARY 26, TUESDAY

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FEBRUARY 27, WEDNESDAY

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- FDL Finance Committee Meeting, 5:30pm
- Author Visit: Meet Stephen Mack Jones, author of the *August Snow* series, 6pm.