

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Established 1937.
Re-established every day.
We celebrated 85 years in 2022!



The library's annual report for 2022 is out! See what happened at the library this previous year, and check out our most checked out books of 2022.

Spoiler alert: The Maid by Nita Prose topped our Fiction list. See the full report at the link below: https://www.wfbibliary.org/about/annual_report/

Kids and Teens Programs and News

Looking for information about our summer programs for kids, tweens and teens? Be sure to subscribe to our kids newsletter. All summer programs will be included in our next email going out on June 1.

To change your subscription settings, click on the link at the bottom of this email, or visit https://www.wfbibliary.org/get_involved/newsletter_sign-up/

Then be sure to choose either Toddlers and Preschoolers, Lower Grades, Upper Grades, or Teens under Programs and Materials for.

ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2023



Join us for our online summer reading program beginning on Monday, June 12 on **Beastack**. You'll get a ticket for every 2 hours that you read. Use your tickets to enter into a drawing for a gift card from some area businesses.

Anything you read counts including books, audiobooks, ebooks, newspapers, and magazines. Earn tickets for every 2 hours of reading, up to 60 hours total. You can also earn a ticket for every book review you write (up to 5 reviews.) Also complete our activity badges to earn more tickets.

This summer we are doing a mid-summer drawing on July 19 and an end-of-summer drawing on August 27. Good luck and happy reading!



Whitefish Bay TALKS: Ho-Chunk: People of the Sacred Language with Andi Cloud

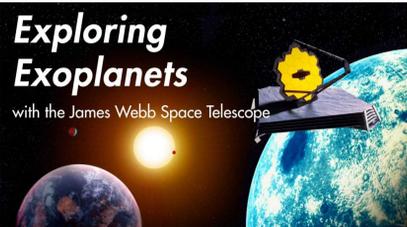
Thursday, June 29, 6:30PM

Please Register:

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Join us for a discussion of the Ho-Chunk: People of the Sacred Language. Speaker Andi Cloud will give us an overview of the Ho-Chunk tribe, looking at their past, describing their present as well as what the future holds. She'll also sprinkle in some lessons for life.

About the presenter: Andi is a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation. Her waksik (won-sheek) name is Nizuwinga (nee-zhu-wing-ah), it means "Rain Woman". She was named by her Coka (cho-ka), the late Eugene Thundercloud. She is a member of the Thunder Clan. Andi is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse earning both her Bachelor of Science and Master of Education degrees. In 2021, Andi became the first Indigenous Storyteller-in-Residence for the Madison Public Library. In July 2022, Andi was appointed by Governor Evers to the Council of Library and Network Development. Her term ends July 1, 2025. Currently, Andi works for the Oneida Nation Early Head Start program and resides in the Town of Oneida.



Whitefish Bay TALKS: Exploring Exoplanets with the James Webb Space Telescope with Dr. Jean Creighton

Wednesday, July 19, 6:30PM

Please Register:

https://www.wfbibliary.org/our_events/?eid=1515

The world is buzzing about the James Webb Space Telescope, the largest and most powerful space telescope ever built that will serve as the premier deep space observatory for the next decade. What will the James Webb Space Telescope help us achieve? UWM Planetary Director and astronomer Dr. Jean Creighton will discuss our ever-expanding view of the universe and the search for new and exciting worlds beyond our solar system.

Bio of Presenter, Dr. Jean Creighton
Dr. Jean Creighton has always been inspired by how the cosmos works. She was born in Toronto, Ontario and grew up in Athens, Greece where her mother claims she showed a great interest in how stars form from the age of five. She studied physics at the University of Athens and went on to earn a Master's degree from Saint Mary's University in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and a PhD in Astrophysics from the University of Waterloo. She began teaching astronomy at UWM-Milwaukee in 1999 and in 2007, she took over as director of UWM's Marlene Olson Planetarium. In 2014, Creighton was selected by NASA to be an Airborne Astronomy Ambassador and spent 20 hours in the stratosphere on SOFIA, the largest moving observatory in the world. She's very proud to have shared the cosmos with over 150,000 members of the community.

Live Music at the Library: CNJ Latin Jazz

Wednesday, July 26, 6:30PM

School House Park

Please Register:

https://www.wfbibliary.org/our_events/?eid=1516

On Wednesday, July 26 at 6:30pm join at School House Park for a performance by CNJ Latin Jazz. Founded in 2012, this all-star lineup of musicians brings to life their unique approach to many traditional Latin jazz classics, American jazz standards and contemporary music. Combined with a heavy dose of Afro-Latino rhythms, CNJ's unique interpretations of Latin jazz music inspires and engages listeners, moves the dancers to dance, and aims to strengthen the Milwaukee music scene by keeping alive the rich traditions of Latin music in our beloved city. This performance is family-friendly and will have everyone up and dancing about. Be sure to bring some lawn chairs or a blanket to get comfortable in the park. Rain site will be inside the library.



Whitefish Bay Neighbors: BJ Gruling

Tuesday, June 20, 6PM

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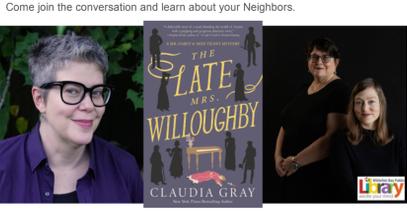
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After a career as an oncology pharmacist, BJ Gruling, embarked on a new path as owner of Kiwi's Milwaukee at Bayshore in 2014, along with his partner Rick Clark. They left their careers in the scientific and medical fields to operate Kiwi's. Rick, a Canadian, and BJ, an American, met working at a hospital in Saudi Arabia and returned to North America, landing in Milwaukee.

Living in Whitefish Bay and working in Glendale, BJ and Rick enjoy taking part in, and supporting, the community.

Join us Tuesday June 20th at 6pm, to hear BJ share stories about the challenges and successes of the last few years as a small business owner in the area. Plus he'll talk about what it means to be a certified LGBT Business Enterprise via the National LGBT Chamber of Commerce.

Come join the conversation and learn about your Neighbors.



Claudia Gray, author of The Late Mrs. Willoughby in conversation with Juneau Black for a virtual event

Thursday, June 8, 2PM

Please Register:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_c2tEk1KHRJa94nJQYIGVka%23registration

Boswell, along with Whitefish Bay Public Library, hosts a virtual event with Claudia Gray (the pen name of author Amy Vincent) for a chat about her new novel, *The Late Mrs. Willoughby*. The books is a superior blend of humor and mystery that features Jane Austen's beloved characters. Gray will be in conversation with Juneau Black – the pen name of Jocelyn Cole and Sharon Nagel, the writing team behind the charming *Shady Hollow* mysteries.



Annelise Ryan, author of A Death in Door County in conversation with Sharon Nagel

Wednesday, August 23, 6:30PM

Please register:

https://www.wfbibliary.org/our_events/?eid=1517

This event is cosponsored with [Boswell Book Company](#).

Bestseller and Wisconsinite Annelise Ryan, author of numerous cozy mysteries, joins us for a conversation about her brand new novel, *A Death in Door County*. This is the first installment of a new series set in Door County in which a bookstore owner and cryptologist is asked to investigate a series of deaths that just might be proof of a fabled lake monster. Annelise is in conversation with Sharon Nagel, half of Juneau Black, author of the *Shady Hollow* series.

State Park Passes

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Whitefish Bay Public Library announced a library program to make state park and forest vehicle admission day passes available to library card holders at Whitefish Bay. Library card holders can check out a day pass for free admission for one vehicle at any state park, forest, or recreation area where admission is required.

How do the passes work?

Each week, a select number of passes will be available.

Stop by the display area near the adult reference desk to grab a card to checkout a pass.

- Bring the card up to the front desk.
- In order to take the pass, you must:
 - Have a library card in good standing
 - Have a WI license plate
- Know the date of your visit. (The date of use must be written on the pass. We can write a range of 3 days if you know the approximate date).

Questions? Ask a staff person for more information.

Passes are brought to you by Friends of the Whitefish Bay Public Library.

[Support our Friends by becoming a member.](#)

Book Club

Hybrid Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, June 14, 6:30PM

Please note that our Mystery Book Club is now meeting on Wednesdays instead of Thursdays. Our Mystery Book Club meets once a month and is led by librarian Sharon Nagel. This month we're reading *Razorblade Tears* by S.A. Cosby.

This meeting will be a hybrid meeting, both on Zoom and in person at the library in our upstairs program room. Click here to join our Zoom meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89097001047>

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Meeting ID: 890 970 0104

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Hybrid Tea Time Book Club

Friday, June 23, 12PM

Please note date change! Our Tea Time Book Club meets once a month and is led by Library Director Nyama Reed. This month we're reading *Brewtown Talks: More Stories from Milwaukee and Beyond* by John Gurda.

This meeting will be a hybrid meeting, both on Zoom and in person at the library in our upstairs program room. Click here to join our Zoom meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/91604474027>

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Resource Spotlight: Historical Collections

[The Whitefish Bay Public Library houses the Mimi Bird Historical Collection and the Whitefish Bay and Fox Point Directories.](#)

Mimi Bird was a resident of Whitefish Bay since the age of four. In the 1980's Mimi researched the history of the community during which she compiled materials on the area, photographed homes, businesses and landmarks, and organized it all into a set of thirty-nine volumes which she donated to the Library. Mimi Bird's focus was primarily on Whitefish Bay history, but she also collected historical information on the early Town of Milwaukee settlers, Glendale, and River Hills as well as the construction of Highway 141.

The Milwaukee County Historical Society recognized Mimi for her outstanding work and in her Milwaukee Journal Sentinel obituary she was praised as "the undisputed expert on local history, both in the village and the greater North Shore area." Few communities have such a historical treasure. The physical volumes are available for supervised viewing and are kept in the Mimi Bird memorial bookcase next to the Adult Reference Desk of the Whitefish Bay Public Library.

The Whitefish Bay and Fox Point Directories from 1928-2000 contain addresses of the residents of Whitefish Bay, Fox Point, and surrounding communities compiled by the Whitefish Bay Woman's Club. The directory also contains advertisements for local businesses.

