

Library Live

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2020 Top Titles

We ran the data*, and here are the most checked out titles in 2020!

Fiction

Where the Crawdads Sing
by Delia Owens
Winner 2 years in a row!

Large Print

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by Delia Owens
Winner 2 years in a row!

Non Fiction

Magnolia Table Volume 2
by Joanna Gaines

Book on CD

Blessing in Disguise by
Danielle Steel

DVD

Yellowstone Season 1

Music CD

The Hits by Garth Brooks
Winner 2 years in a row!

Young Adult

The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes by Suzanne Collins

Juvenile Fiction

Rowley Jefferson's Journal
by Jeff Kinney

Picture Book

Lego City Phonics
by Quinlan B. Lee

Learn a New Language in 2021!

Do you have a New Year's Resolution to learn a new language? MCPLS is here to help you make that goal a reality! Read on for some different options.

Transparent Language

Transparent Language is an online tool to learn and practice foreign languages. Courses are offered for over 100 languages, and features 24 English as a second language (ESL) options.

Visit www.mcpls.org/education to get started!

Kanopy & Hoopla

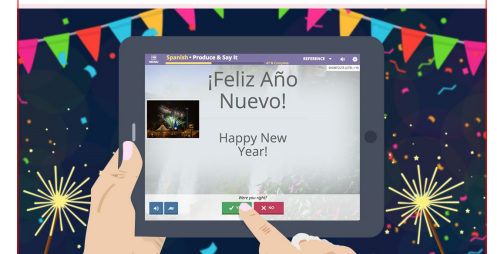
Kanopy and Hoopla both offer language learning videos for kids and adults! Hoopla also has eBooks and audiobooks, all for free with your library card.

Visit www.mcpls.org/streaming to get started!

Books on CD

Don't have a smart device? We have books on CD that can help you, such as Spanish, Italian, and Japanese that will walk you through a new language!

New year, new language.
Sign up for Transparent Language
Online at the library.



*Information up to date as of Monday, December 28 at 1:28 pm. Does not include statistics about our digital items.



Marion County
Public Library System

www.mcpls.org

January New Releases

Find more new releases, complete with links, at www.mcpls.org/new

DVDs

After We Collided
All Creatures Great and Small
Bella
Craft, The Legacy
The Disrupted (EDVD)
Don't Look Back
Dreamland
Elizabeth is Missing
Fashionably Yours
Fatman
John Light
Jungleland
Love and Monsters
A Promise to Astrid
Raw Reed Horror Collection
Spell
Vision Quest (1985)
The War with Grandpa

Series DVDs

The Dead Zone Season 2-6
Doom Patrol Season 2
Dracula
Jekyll and Hyde
Twilight Zone Season 2
Lovecraft Country Season 1
Sanctuary Season 2-4

BOCD

All The Colors of Night
by Jayne Ann Krentz
Before She Disappeared
by Lisa Gardner
The Cipher by Isabella Maldonado
The Dirty South by John Connolly
The Girls of Brackenhill
by Kate Moretti
The Haunting of Brynn Wilder
by Wendy Webb
Hot to Trot by M.C. Beaton
Neighbors by Danielle Steel
Robert B. Parker's Someone to Watch Over Me
by Ace Atkins
This Magnificent Dappled Sea
by David Biro
The Midnight Library by Matt Haig
A Perfect Amish Romance
by Shelley Shepard Gray
Piece of My Heart
by Mary Higgins Clark
A Promised Land
by Barack Obama
The Transatlantic Book Club
by Felicity Hayes-McCoy

Bestsellers

All The Colors of Night
by Jayne Ann Krentz
Before She Disappeared
by Lisa Gardner
Concrete Rose by Angie Thomas
Killer Take All by William W. Johnstone
Neighbors by Danielle Steel
North of Laramie
by William W. Johnstone
NYPD Red 6 by James Patterson
Pianos and Flowers
by Alexander McCall Smith
Outlaw Country
by William W. Johnstone
Robert B. Parker's Someone to Watch Over Me by Ace Atkins
The Russian by James Patterson
The Scorpion's Tail by Lincoln Child

Inspiration

A Castaway in Cornwall
by Julie Klassen
The Coffee Corner by Amy Clipston
Colors of Truth by Tamera Alexander
Begin Again by Max Lucado
The Blended Quilt
by Wanda Brunstetter
Endless Mercy by Tracy Peterson
A Perfect Amish Romance
by Shelley Shepard Gray
A Picture of Love by Beth Wiseman

Misc. Fiction

The Arctic Fury by Greer Macallister
Autumn's Break by Mary Stone
Autumn's Fear by Mary Stone
Autumn's Game by Mary Stone
Before the Coffee Gets Cold
by Tashikazu Kawaguchi
Black Bottom Saints by Alice Randall
Crazy Stupid Bromance
by Lyssa Kay Adams
D: A Tale of Two Words
by Michel Faber
The Dark Archive
by Genevieve Cogman
From a Certain Point of View
by Tom Angelberger
The Haunting of Ashburn House
by Darcy Coates
Here is the Beehive by Sarah Crossan
How to Catch a Queen by Alyssa Cole
Little Threats by Emily Shultz
The Ministry for the Future
by Kim Stanley Robison
Nights When Nothing Happened
by Simon Han
The Poison Prince by S.C. Emmett
The Preserve by Ariel S. Winter
The Rift Coda by Amy S. Foster
The Short, the Long, and the Tall
by Jeffrey Archer
This Cowboy of Mine by R.C. Ryan
Written in the Stars
by Alexandria Beleafleur

Large Print

All In by Shelley Shepard Gray
All The Colors of Night
by Jayne Ann Krentz
Always the Last to Know
by Kristan Higgins
Before She Disappeared
by Lisa Gardner
The Dirty South by John Connolly
Get Out of Town by Terrence McCauley
The Heart of a Hero
by Susan May Warren
Keep Me Posted by Liza Beazley
Killer Take All by William W. Johnstone
The Knockout Queen by Rufi Thorpe
Neighbors by Danielle Steel
New Beginnings at Promise Lodge
by Charlotte Hubbard
New Waves by Kevin Nguyen
North of Laramie
by William W. Johnstone
Pianos and Flowers
by Alexander McCall Smith
Robert B. Parker's Angel Eyes
by Ace Atkins
Robert B. Parker's Someone to Watch Over Me by Ace Atkins
The Russian by James Patterson
The Scorpion's Tail by Lincoln Child
The Secrets of Bones by Kylie Logan
Something Worth Doing: A Novel of An Early Suffragist
by Jane Kirkpatrick
A Springtime Heart by Marta Perry
Summer at Lake Haven
by RaeAnne Thayne
These Nameless Things
by Shawn Smucker
Total Power by Vince Flynn

Non-Fiction

Badass Habits by Jen Sincero
The Book of Joe: The Life, Wit, and (Sometimes Accidental) Wisdom of Joe Biden
by Jeff Wilser
The Complete Plant Based Cookbook
by America's Test Kitchen
The Greatest Secret by Rhonda Byrne
Happy Bonsai by Michael Tran
Help Yourself Now by Jan Yager
How Not to Diet Cookbook
by Michael Greger, MD
Humans by Brandon Stanton
Icebound: Shipwrecked at the Edge of the World by Andrea Pitzer
It is Never Too Late
by Kathie Lee Gifford
Keep Sharp: How To Build a Better Brain at Any Age
by Sanjay Gupta
The Kinfolk Garden by John Burns
Martha Stewart's Very Good Things
by Martha Stewart
Sunny Days by David Kamp
Til Murder Do Us Part
by James Patterson

Young Adult

Among the Beasts & Briars

by Ashley Poston

The Ballad of Ami Miles

by Kristy Dallas Alley

Bedtime inspirational stories: 50

Amazing Black People Who Changed the World

by L.A. Amber

Beyond the Ruby Veil by Mara Fitzgerald

Breathless by Jennifer Niven

The Cousins by Karen M. McManus

Charming as a Verb by Ben Philippe

Come On In: 15 Stories About

Immigration and Finding Home

Crank Palace: A Maze Runner Novella

by James Dashner

Dear Justice by Nic Stone

Every Body Looking by Candice Iloh

Influence by Sara Shepard

Lightbringer by Claire Legrand

Love & Olives by Jemma Evans Welch

Magic Dark and Strange

by Kelly Powell

Punching the Air by Ibi Aanu Zobo

Return of the Thief

by Megan Whalen Turner

This is All Your Fault

by Aminah Mae Safi

Vampires Never Get Old: Tales with

Fresh Bite by Natalie C. Parker and Zoraida Córdova

Children

Allies & Enemies (The Mandalorian)

by Brooke Vitale

Amelia Bedelia's First Valentine

Holiday by Herman Parish

Bad Kitty Goes on Vacation

by Nick Bruel

Bad Kitty's Tasty Treats: A Slide and

Find ABC by Nick Bruel

The Berenstain Bears School Talent

Show by Mike Berenstain

Bunny Will Not Jump by Jason Tarp

Clean-up Time (Daniel Tiger)

by Patty Michaels

The Grinny Granny Donkey

by Craig Smith

Little Blue Truck's Valentine

by Alice Scherle

Love is Powerful

by Heather Dean Brewer

My First Kitten by Alyssa Satin

Capucilli

The New Monster on the Block

by Sue Ganz-Schmitt

Pajama Day by Margaret McNamara

Pugtato Finds a Friend

by Sophie Corrigan

No Ants Please by Heather Hansen

Sloth Wasn't Sleepy by Kate Messner

Snow White's Sweet Bunny

Space Traveler Sally Brown

by Charles Schulz

Spring Stinks (Mother Bruce)

Wheels of a Hero (PJ Masks)

by May Nakamura

Juvenile Fiction

Cat Kid Comic Club by Dav Pilkey

Goodbye, Mr. Terupt by Rob Buyea

Hollopox: The Hunt for Morrigan Crow

by Jessica Townsend

King and the Dragonflies

by Kacen Callender

Max and the Midnight 2

by Lincoln Pierce

The Missing Prince

(Ranger's Apprentice #4)

by John Flanagan

Never After by Melissa De La Cruz

Persephone the Grateful

by Joan Holub

Raising Lumie by Joan Bauer

Binge Boxes

Black Experiences

Just Mercy; The Hate U Give; Loving;

The Great Debaters; The Color Purple.

Black Experiences Volume 2

Blackkkklansman; Dear White People;

If Beale Street Could Talk; Fruitvale

Station; Do the Right Thing; Get Out

Disney Signature Collection Vol 1

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs;

Pinocchio; Bambi; Cinderella; Peter Pan;

Lady and the Tramp

Gossip Girls

Mean Girls; Easy A; Clueless; She's the

Man; The Duff

Holiday Family Favorites

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer; Santa

Claus is Comin' to Town; Rudolph and

Frosty's Christmas in July; Frosty the

Snowman

CDs

Greatest Hits by Richard Marx

First Rose of Spring by Willie Nelson

Folklore by Taylor Swift

My Gift by Carrie Underwood

Video Games

Nintendo Switch:

Gear Club Unlimited 2

Indivisible

Lego Marvel Superheroes 2

Pokemon Mystery Dungeon

Sonic Forces

Super Mario 3D All Stars

PS4:

Madden NFL 21

Mamba Forever

Persona 5

Spider Man

XBOX One:

Cyberpunk 2077

Readalongs

The Adventures of Captain

Underpants by Dav Pilkey

Amelia Bedelia by the Yard

by Herman Parish

Amelia Bedelia Chalks One Up

by Herman Parish

Amelia Bedelia Joins the Club

by Herman Parish

Amelia Bedelia Takes the Cake

by Herman Parish

Amelia Bedelia Tries Her Luck

by Herman Parish

Arthur Garber, The Harbor Barber

by Joe Frank

Bike & Trike by Elizabeth Verdick

Captain Underpants and the Attack

of the Talking Toilets

by Dav Pilkey

Catch That Chicken! By Atinuke

The Cool Bean by Jory John

Dress Like a Girl by Patricia Toht

Eee-Moo by Annika Dunklee

Eustace & Clyde by Marina Aizen

Fear the Bunny by Richard T. Morris

Fight the Night by Tomie DePaola

From My Window by Otávio Júnior

Gator, Gator, Gator!

by Daniel Bernstrom

Give Me Back My Bones!

by Kim Norman

How Do Dinosaurs Learn to Read

by Jane Yolen

Jules vs. the Ocean by Jessie Sima

Parker Looks Up by Parker Curry

Pig the Stinker by Aaron Blabey

This is My Fort by Drew Daywalt

You Matter by Christian Robinson

Graphic Novels

Batman Family: 80th Anniversary

Collection by Scott Snyder

Beastars Vol 2-9 by Paru Itagaki

Beautiful Darkness

by Fabien Vehlmann

Buffy the Vampire Slayer Vol 2-3

by Joss Whedon

Harleen by Stjepan Sejic

Konosuba: An Explosion on This

Wonderful World!

by Natsume Akatsuki

Pentultimate Quest by Lars Brown

Remina by Junji Itō

Stranger Things: Into the Fire

by Jody Houser

Venus in the Blind Spot by Junji Itō

Weathering With You

by Makoto Shinkai

The Witch and the Beast Vol 1-7

by Kousuke Satake

MGN

Beserk 3 by Kentarō Miura

Joker: Killer Smile by Jeff Lemire

Maids by Katie Skelly

My Broken Mariko by Waka Hirako

January Events

Most events will be held virtually, due to COVID-19

Holiday Closings:

January 1: CLOSED (New Years Day)

January 18: CLOSED (MLK Jr. Day)

Events for Kids:

Facebook Live Story Time & Story Time Craft Club

Facebook Live Story Time and the Story Time Craft Club return Tuesday, February 2, 2021!

Facebook Live Story Time requires no prior registration, but please sign up for the Story Time Craft Club by visiting www.mcpls.org/events

Little Rembrandts

Saturday, January 2: 12 pm

Youth (age ten and up) are invited to join Ms. Julie in this virtual event and learn how to transform a blank canvas into a snowy cardinal. Space is limited. Registered participants can pick up a canvas and cardinal template at their local branch of the Marion County Public Library System.

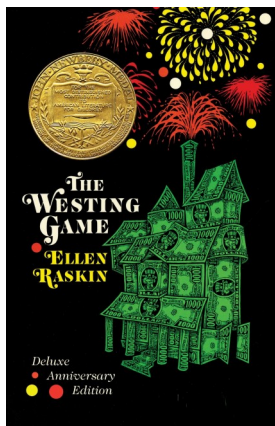
For a supplies list, and to sign up, visit www.mcpls.org/events



Events for T(w)eens:

The Book Pack

The Book Pack is a book club for tweens at the Mannington Public Library, recommended for ages 10-13.



"A bizarre chain of events begins when sixteen unlikely people gather for the reading of Samuel W. Westing's will.

And though no one knows why the eccentric, game-loving millionaire has chosen a virtual stranger—and a possible murderer—to inherit his vast fortune, one thing is for sure: Sam Westing may be dead...but that won't stop him from playing one last game! "

Pick up a copy of *The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin and register to join us Jan. 19 at 1:30 to discuss the book and share a book related activity. Participants must register and agree to the library's Covid-19 guidelines.

Register at www.mcpls.org/events

Events for All Ages:

Fairmont Friends of the Library Book Sale

The Book Cave is Open! The Friends of the Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) will be taking walk-ins to browse the book sale room.

The book sale room is open Tuesdays and Saturdays, 10 am—2 pm on a first come first serve basis.

Only 2 visitors will be allowed into the book sale room at a time, due to the size of the room.

Events for Teens & Adults:

Ping Pong Ball Snowmen

Join us Tuesday, January 19 (4:30 pm) on Zoom to make a cute snow man out of ping pong balls and other craft materials!

Participants need to provide a valid email address to which the meeting invitation will be sent. Registrants also need to indicate which Marion County branch from which they wish to pick-up supplies. Kits will be available at your branch beginning on Monday, January 11.

You will need hot glue, a black and an orange permanent marker, and a toilet paper roll or paper towel roll.



Register at www.mcpls.org/events

Beginning Hand Sewing:

Microwavable Hand Warmers



Join us Tuesday, January 26 (4:30 pm) on Zoom to make a microwavable hand warmer filled with rice. Participants need to provide a valid email to which the meeting invitation will be sent just prior to the Zoom event.

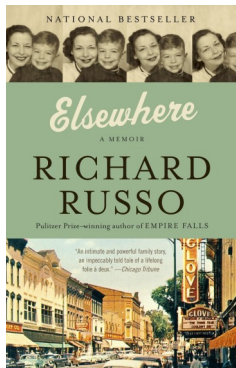
You will need a fat quarter of 100% natural cotton fabric. This can be quilting cotton or flannel. Just steer clear of polyester fabric for this project. You will also need thread, a sewing needle, sewing pins, rice and a funnel for this project.

Register at www.mcpls.org/events

January Events

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Events for Adults: Speaking of Books



Join us Tuesday, January 5, in person at the Fairview Public Library, or by phone or computer, as we discuss *Elsewhere* by Richard Russo.

The number of in-person members will be limited to 6 people. This event will be socially distanced, and masks are required.

"The Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Empire Falls* presents an upbeat personal account of his youth, his parents and the 1950s upstate New York town they struggled to escape, recounting the encroaching poverty and illness that challenged everyday life and the dreams his mother instilled that inspired his career."

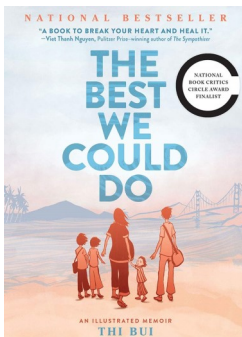
Sign up at mcpls.org/events

Graphic Novel Book Club

Happy new year! Welcome back to the graphic novel book club. To kick off 2021, we will be discussing Thi Bui's memoir, *The Best We Could Do* on Tuesday, January 5 at 7 pm.

This beautifully illustrated and emotional story is an evocative memoir about the search for a better future and a longing for the past.

Exploring the anguish of immigration and the lasting effects that displacement has on a child and her family, Bui documents the story of her family's daring escape after the fall of South Vietnam in the 1970s, and the difficulties they faced building new lives for themselves.



The graphic novel can be accessed through Hoopla!

Sign up at mcpls.org/events

Tree Tapping with Keith



Pure maple syrup is not only delicious, it is fun to make from scratch! Join local artisan Keith Hubbard and the Fairview Public Library on Saturday, January 9 at 11 am for a virtual tree tapping class!

Learn how to pick the trees, when to tap, and how to turn the sap into delectable maple syrup! Yum!

Registration is required for this free online event, sign up at www.mcpls.org/events

Artible (Online)

Beginning acrylic painting for ages 18+. Join us for this virtual class as we create a unique wall decoration. The words say it all and the calming color scheme will enhance any decor.



Register today for this virtual event, then pick up your canvas at your closest library. For a supplies list, and to sign up, visit www.mcpls.org/events

Beyond the Book Presents: Author Daleen Berry

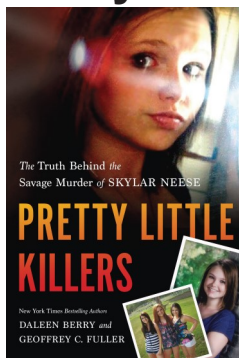
Join us Wednesday, January 20 at 7 pm to meet local author Daleen Berry, a New York Times best-selling author and TED speaker. Since 1988 she has been an award-winning print journalist, columnist and editor who recently crossed over to write for online publications such as *The Daily Beast*, *Huffington Post*, and the *BBC*.



"*Sister of Silence*," a memoir, her first book, was published in 2011. Since then she has written or co-written eight other nonfiction books, including "The Savage Murder of Skylar Neese," "Pretty Little Killers," "Cheatin' Ain't Easy," "Tales of the Vintage Berry Wine Gang," "Shatter the Silence," the sequel to *SOS* and, "Appalachian Murders & Mysteries," an anthology. Join us and learn about the process of researching, writing and publishing.

Participants must register by noon on January 20, with an active email address. Sign up at mcpls.org/events

Beyond the Book



Join us Wednesday, January 27 at 7 pm as we try out a new genre again – true crime. We will learn about the 2012 disappearance and murder of Skylar Neese in Morgantown, WV, and the eventual arrests of her friends Shelia Eddy and Rachel Shoaf, as they are detailed in *Pretty Little Killers* by Daleen Berry.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events

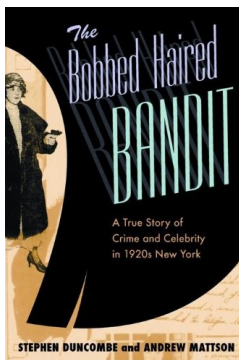
This title is available to borrow digitally on both Libby and Hoopla. There are also 7 copies of the book available in our collection.

Please note that the "Beyond the Book" Presents... program series will be host an evening with Daleen Berry, the author of this book, one week BEFORE this discussion meeting. If you would like to attend the author's program, details are available above or at mcpls.org/events

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Cover2Cover Book Club



Ripped straight from the headlines of the Jazz Age, *The Bobbed Haired Bandit* is a tale of flappers and fast cars, of sex and morality. In the spring of 1924, a poor, 19-year-old laundress from Brooklyn robbed a string of New York grocery stores with a "baby automatic," a fur coat, and a fashionable bobbed hairdo. Celia Cooney's crimes made national news, with the likes of Ring Lardner and

Walter Lippman writing about her exploits for enthralled readers.

Pick up a copy of *The Bobbed Haired Bandit: a story of crime and celebrity in 1920s New York* by Stephen Duncombe & Andrew Mattson, and register to join us Jan. 21 at 1:30 to discuss the book and share a book related activity. Participants must register and agree to the library's Covid-19 guidelines.

Crafty Creations with Carol



'Purdy Plant Pots' Fabric and Mod Podge Craft (Adults Only)

Register to join Carol on January 25, at 5 pm. Carol will provide the supplies needed and you can bring any special embellishments you have at home. Participants must register and agree to the library's Covid-19 guidelines.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events

Tabletop Game Group

Missing our Wednesday Night Tabletop Game Group? Not to fear, WNG is happening virtually!

Please contact Dan Ward at dward@mcpls.org for more information on how to join the fun! WNG meets every Wednesday at 5 pm to play games like *Dominant Species*, *Sagrada*, and *Terraforming Mars*.

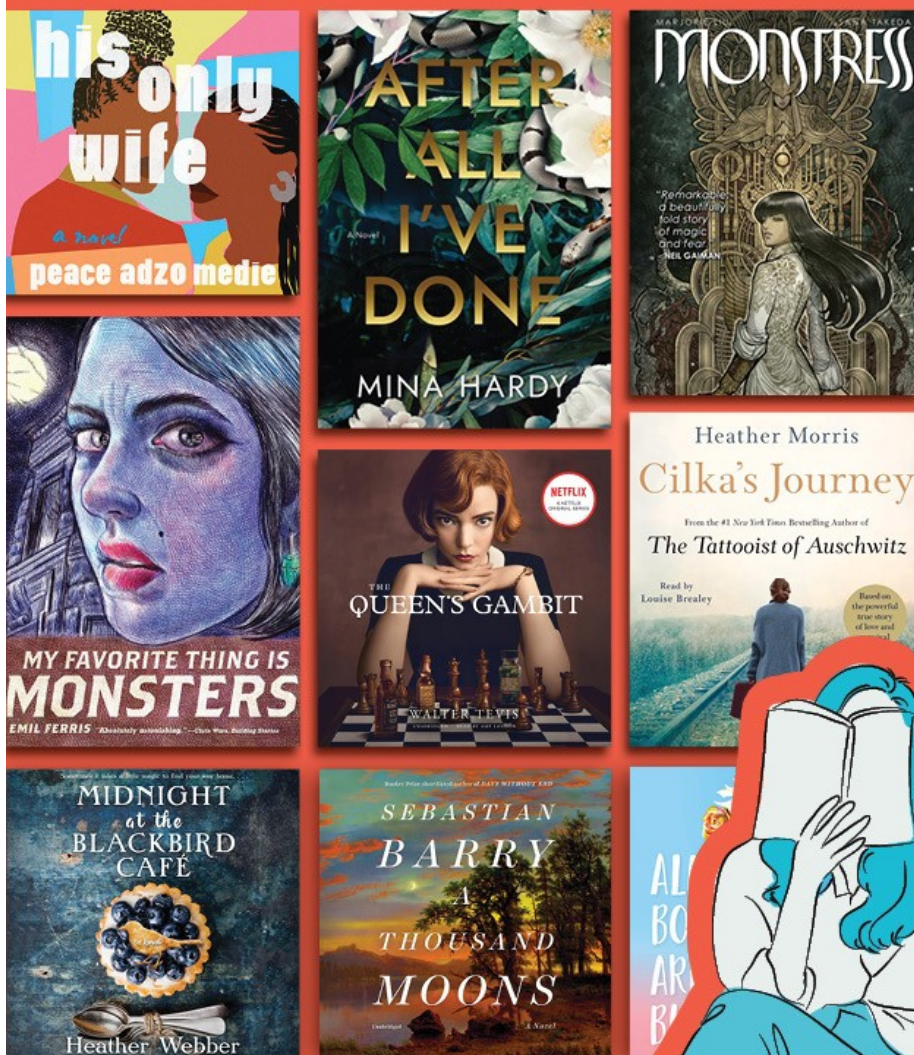
January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: 5 pm

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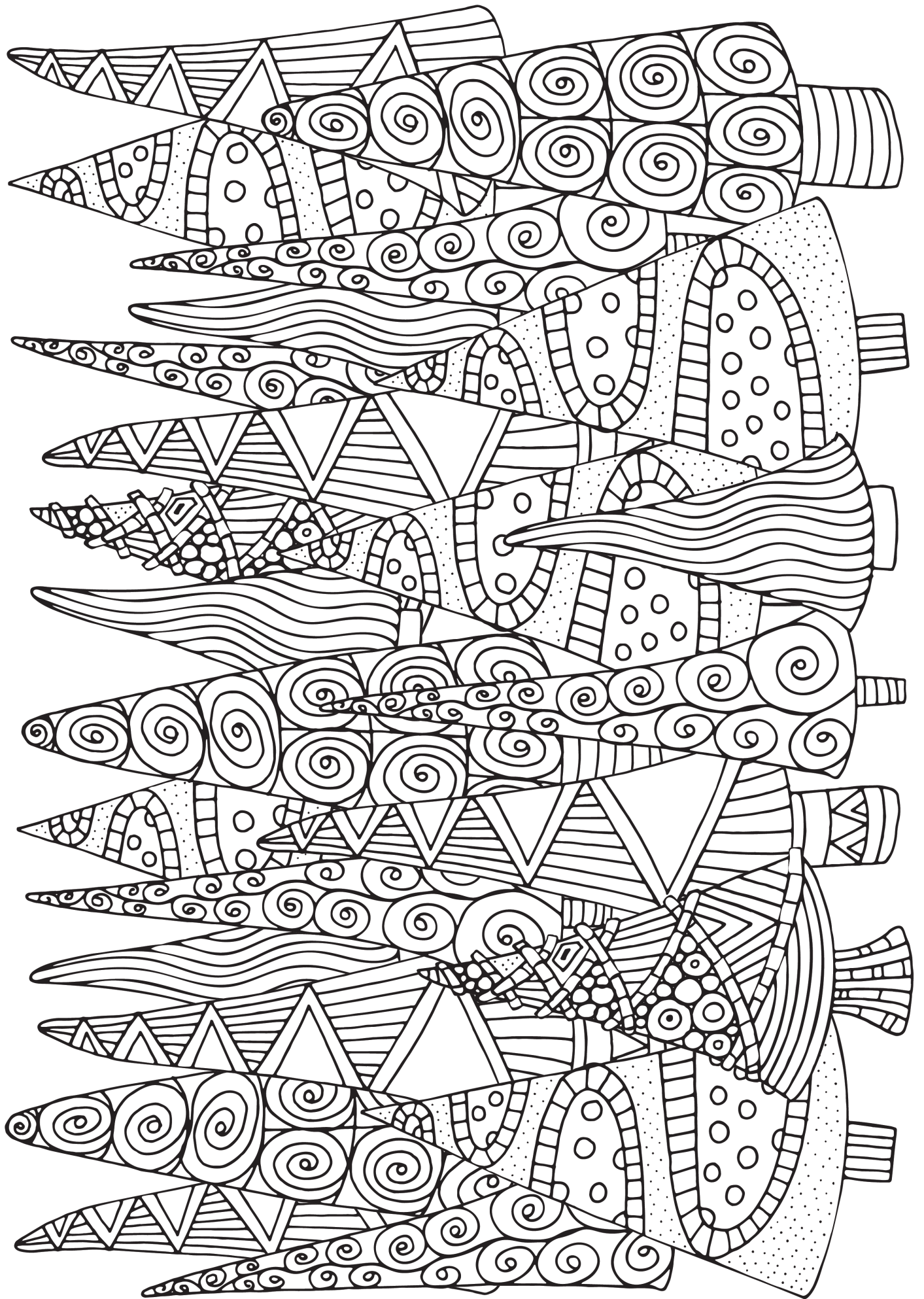
hoopla is the perfect companion for all your bookish resolutions!



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Events by Date

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December 31: Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) and Mannington Public Library Closing at 3 pm

January 1: CLOSED

January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Fairmont Friends Book Sale (10 am—2 pm)

January 2: Little Rembrandts: Cardinal painting (12 pm, WebEx)

January 5, 12, 19, 26: Fairmont Friends Book Sale (10 am—2 pm)

January 5: Speaking of Books: Fairview (4 pm, In person and virtual)
Elsewhere by Richard Russo

January 5: Graphic Novel Book Club (7 pm, WebEx) *The Best We Could Do* by Thi Bui

January 6, 13, 20, 27: Tabletop Game Group (5 pm). Virtual, contact Dan Ward at Dward@mcpls.org or 304-366-1210, extension 128 for details

January 9: Tree Tapping with Keith (11 am, WebEx)

January 12: Artible: Word Art (5 pm, WebEx)

January 18: CLOSED

January 19: The Book Pack 'Tween Book Club: *The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin (1:30 pm, Mannington)

January 19: Craft Class: Ping Pong Snowmen (4:30 pm, Zoom—Teens and Adults)

January 20: Beyond the Book Presents WV Author Daleen Berry (7 pm, WebEx)

January 21: Cover2Cover Book Club (1:30 pm, in person at the Mannington PL)
The Bobbed Hair Bandit: a story of crime and celebrity in 1920s New York by Stephen Duncombe & Andrew Mattson

January 25: Crafty Creations with Carol (5 pm, in person at the Mannington PL)

January 26: Beginning Hand Sewing: Microwavable Hand Warmers (4:30 pm, Zoom—Teens and Adults)

January 20: Beyond the Book: *Pretty Little Killers* by Daleen Berry (7 pm, WebEx)

February 2, 9, 16, 23: Facebook Live Story Time (10:30 am)

February 2, 9, 16, 23: Story Time Craft Club (11 am, FB Live)

February 15: CLOSED

Visit www.mcpls.org/events for the most up-to-date event info!

Check out our online calendar to register for events and get the most up-to-date information!

Follow the QR code, or visit:
<http://bit.ly/2uydBHl>

