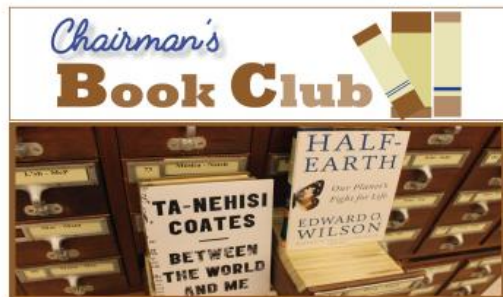


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CHAIRMAN'S BOOK CLUB TO BE HELD AT DOWNTOWN CENTRAL LIBRARY



Public discussion on new books and current events

Hosted by Library Board Chairman Frank Housh

Free & Open to the Public.
Ring of Knowledge, main floor Downtown Central Library
1 Lafayette Square, Buffalo.

Wednesday, June 1 @ 12 noon

Between the World and Me

by Ta-Nehisi Coates

Featuring Panelists:

Heron Simmonds-Price, Professor, Canisius College
Anthony Neal, Professor, Buffalo State College
Sharon Holley, Storyteller, retired Librarian

Wednesday, October 5 @ 12 noon

Half-Earth: Our Planet's Fight for Life

by Edward O. Wilson

Panelists to be Announced

Books available @ Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries
Ask about our "Book in A Bag" for Book Club!



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CHAIRMAN'S BOOK CLUB TO BE HELD AT DOWNTOWN CENTRAL LIBRARY

Programs feature public & panelist discussions on books & current events.

The Buffalo & Erie County Public Library presents a new Chairman's Book Club, hosted by Library Board Chairman Frank Housh, on Wednesday, June 1 and Wednesday, October 5. Both programs begin at 12 noon at the downtown Central Library, 1 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, and are free and open to the public.

The Chairman's Book Club features a pair of timely, thought-provoking titles selected to encourage public dialogue. Each session also features a panel discussion on the book, as well as on current events and other related titles, with notable community members.

The first book discussed will be author Ta-Nehisi Coates' riveting exploration of America's racial history, ***Between the World and Me***, on Wednesday, June 1. A New York Times Bestseller and NAACP Image Award winner, Coates' profound work offers a powerful framework for understanding our nation's history and current events, including the Black Lives Matter movement and police brutality. *Entertainment Weekly* calls it "the latest essential reading in America's social canon."

A panel discussion on Coates' compelling work will feature Canisius College adjunct professor Heron Simmonds-Price; Buffalo State College professor Anthony Neal; and local storyteller and retired librarian Sharon Holley.

On Wednesday, October 5, the Chairman's Book Club discusses Edward O. Wilson's ***Half-Earth: Our Planet's Fight for Life***, a visionary blueprint on saving the Earth. Wilson's inspiring plan looks to educate readers on the environmental issues the world faces on a daily basis, and provides an eloquent, yet urgent, response on how to solve these crises.

Panelists for the Wednesday, October 5th discussion will be announced at a later date.

Both titles are available at any of the 37 Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries. A "Book Club in a Bag" is also available, containing ten copies of the book and a reading guide.

The Chairman's Book Club is free and open to the public. For more information, visit http://www.buffalolib.org/libraries/links/7/files/book_club_4_c.pdf, the Library System website at www.BuffaloLib.org or call 858-8900.

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