Bookin' It



A New Year

Happy New Year! We hope that everyone had a safe and happy end to 2020 and is looking forward to 2021. With a new year, there is always the feeling of a fresh start with resolutions, goals, and ideas for the future. Our staff is looking towards the months ahead to prepare programs helpful to our patrons. After the last year, we're all too happy to look ahead instead of behind but let's take a moment to reflect on the good that happened in 2020 at the library.

After an initial shutdown in March, Bookmobile staff got right to work producing virtual programs from their own homes. When the libraries began to open again in June, staff were quick to begin curbside and walk up services, which is also when the Bookmobile's drop-off/ pick-up program began. Now, our Library on Wheels has an assortment of virtual programs that include virtual art lessons

and a social media presence, as well as in-person operations for answering questions and delivering library material. Whatever 2021 brings, we will be working hard to meet our community's needs!

Throughout the past year, many of us took to reading as a form of comfort, whether new releases or familiar favorites. We'll be sharing some 2020 books that won awards in this newsletter issue, as well as some of our most anticipated upcoming releases. We would love to hear about your favorite books that you read this year and if there are any you are looking forward to in 2021.

In the upcoming months, the Bookmobile will continue to operate as a drop-off/pick-up service for our patrons so please continue to call, email, or write to us with requests. We look forward to seeing you in the new year!



A newsletter from the Library on Wheels Bookmobile Jan./Feb. 2021

Contact Info

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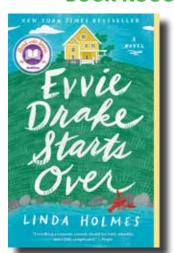
On the Bookmobile, you can:

- check out books, movies, music, audiobooks.
- use free WiFi.
- use our laptops.
- get a library card or update your account.
- pickup holds and return items – just like at any library!
- have questions answered and be helped with a variety of needs.

January Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT					
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3	3 pm Stonegate Drop-Off/ Pick-Up	5 10-11:30 Brant Town Hall 2 pm - Bethel Estates Drop-Off/ Pick-Up	6	7	8 1-3 pm Boys and Girls Club of Holland	9					
10	8:30 am Asbury Point Drop Off/ Pick-Up	12	13	14	15	16					
17	18	19 9 am Blessed Mary Angela Drop Off/Pick-Up 10 am Union Square Apts. Drop Off/Pick-Up	20	21	22	23					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30					
31	Pleas	Note: Schedules are subject to change. Please check the library website for an up-to-date calendar.									

Valentine's Day Book Recommendation



Evvie Drake Starts Over by Linda Holmes is a witty and heartfelt book that would be perfect for Valentine's Day. It tells the story of Evvie Drake, a recent widow who is looking to start moving forward. Dean Tenney is a Major League baseball pitcher looking for some time off to refocus. Through a mutual friend, Evvie and Dean become neighbors and as they learn to confront their own

pasts, they find themselves becoming more than friends. This book is funny, romantic, and just the right amount of cozy to make it through the cold month of February.

Programs

Bookmobile Bath

One of the ways that the Library on Wheels is unique is that it requires special care, including a regular washing! Bookmobile staff is responsible for washing the exterior and cleaning the interior of the Bookmobile. During the cold, snowy months of winter, the bus needs to be washed frequently to protect it from rust and keep its colors bright.

Here, you can see our Senior Page Heather reaching the top of the Bookmobile to make sure the whole thing gets thoroughly cleaned.



February Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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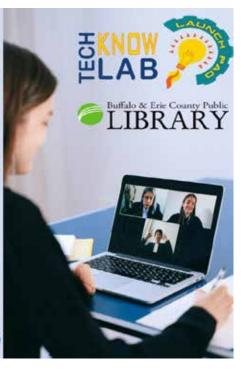
Virtual Book A Technology Trainer Appointments

Get free, one-on-one technology help from the library via Zoom

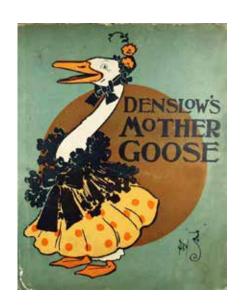
The TechKnow Lab is now scheduling virtual technology training sessions.

Get help via Zoom from home on your own computer/device or at our Zoom Book a Technology Trainer Station located at the Central Library.

For more information and to schedule an appointment visit bit.ly/tklbatt or call 716-858-8900



All Ages!



B is for Book

Buffalo & Erie County Public Library

Winter Reading Challenge

Enter to win great prizes here: http://becpl.ny08.readsquared.com/

Friday, Jan. 1 - Friday, March 5, 2021



2020 Award Winning Books

Throughout the next few months, many organizations will be announcing their "Best Book" awards. Here are some of the books that have been awarded in 2020.



American Dirt
by Jeannine Cummins
B&ECPL Most Requested
Book of 2020



The Vanishing Halfby Brit Bennett
B&ECPL People's Choice Winner



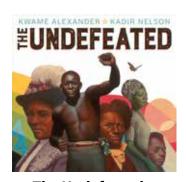
The Dutch House
by Ann Patchett
Library Employees' Choice best book



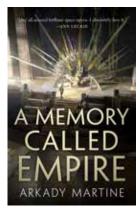
Interior Chinatown
by Charles Yu
National Book Awards Fiction
Winner



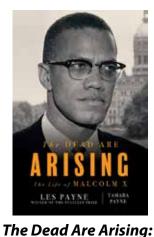
The Guest List by Lucy Foley Goodreads Mystery & Thriller Winner



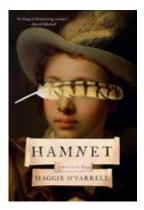
The Undefeated
by Kwame Alexander.
Illustrated by Kadir Nelson
Every Child a Reader 3rd – 4th
Grade Children's Choice Book
Award Winner



A Memory Called Empire
by Arkady Martine
Hugo Science Fiction Award for
Best Novel Winner



The Life of Malcolm X
by Les Payne and Tamara Payne
National Book Awards
Nonfiction Winner



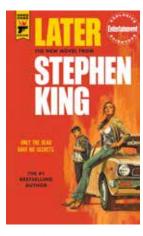
Hamnet by Maggie O'Farrell Women's Prize for Fiction Winner

Highly Anticipated 2021 Books

Here are some of the most highly anticipated 2021 releases. Are there some upcoming books that you are excited to start reading? We'd love to hear what you've got on your list!



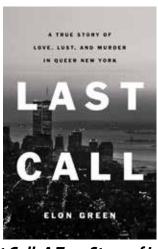
The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah



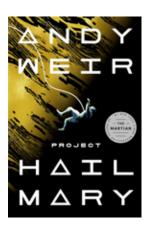
Later by Stephen King



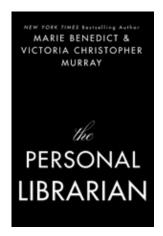
Wings of Ebony by J. Elle



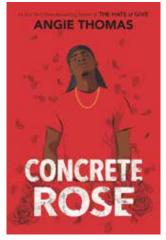
Last Call: A True Story of Love, Lust, and Murder in Queer New York by Elon Green



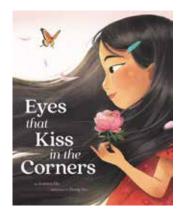
Project Hail Mary by Andy Weir



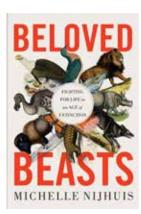
The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict



Concrete Rose by Angie Thomas



Eyes That Kiss in the Corners by Joanna Ho, illustrated by Dung Ho



Beloved Beasts: Fighting for Life in an Age of Extinction
by Michelle Nijhuis

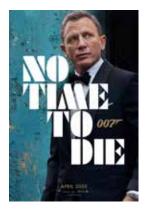
Upcoming Movie Releases

In 2021, some film studios have decided to forgo the movie theater as a safety precaution and will be going straight to DVD and/or streaming. Here is a look at some of the films

being released this year.



Raya and the Last Dragon
Expected Release Date:
March 12, 2021
Family/Fantasy



No Time to Die
Expected Release Date:
April 2, 2021
Action/Drama



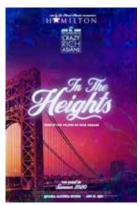
Black Widow
Expected Release Date:
May 7, 2021
Action/Superhero



Free Guy
Expected Release Date:
May 21, 2021
Comedy



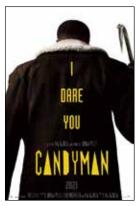
Ghostbusters: AfterlifeExpected Release Date:
June 11, 2021
Action/Adventure



In the Heights
Expected Release Date:
June 18, 2021
Musical



Minions: The Rise of Gru Expected Release Date: July 2, 2021 Family/Comedy



CandymanExpected Release Date:
August 27, 2021
Horror



DuneExpected Release Date:
October 1, 2021
Science Fiction

Community Art Show

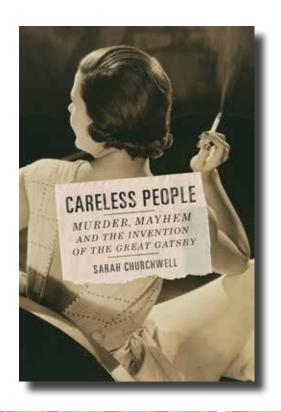


We would love to show your own original work! Have you been painting or writing in quarantine? Sharpening your photography skills? However you've been expressing yourself creatively, we'd like to see it.

Send a scan or photos of your work to bookmobile@buffalolib.org or mail us at: Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Bookmobile Department 1 Lafayette Square Buffalo, NY 14203

Nonfiction Highlight: True Crime

The dark, quiet days of winter are a popular time for true crime readers to bunker down at home with a new book or documentary series. *Careless People: Murder, Mayhem, and the Invention of the Great Gatsby* by Sarah Bartlett Churchwell is a perfect read for fans of true crime and history alike. Set against the background of New York City in the 1920s, and using archived material, Churchwell takes the reader into the world of high society, prohibition, and a double murder that shook the city and helped shape F. Scott Fitzgerald's classic novel The Great Gatsby.



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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Find the words in the grid. When you are done, the unused letters in the grid will spell out a hidden message. Pick them out from left to right, top line to bottom line. Words can go horizontally, vertically and diagonally in all eight directions.

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Baby	Family	Kiss
Calendar	Fireworks	Midnight
Champagne	First	Music
Cheer	Football	Parade
Clock	Нарру	Party
Confetti	Hat	Resolution
Dance	January	Year

VALENTINE'S DAY

ACROSS

- 1 Talk back
- 5 France & Germany river
- 9 Colors
- 13 Efficiently
- 14 Loaf
- 15 Cola company
- 16 Chum
- 17 Brief letter
- 18 Intense light beam
- 19 One who observes another person with pleasure and approval
- 21 Letter opening
- 23 ___ you! (attention getter)
- 24 Possess
- 25 Ceremony
- 29 Used to attract attention
- 30 Greeting _
- 32 BB association
- 33 Aleutian
- 36 Company symbols
- 37 Bow
- **38** Hoop
- 39 Napper
- 40 Tender and passionate affection

- 41 Color that resembles the color of blood
- 42 Flowers of love
- 43 Computer screen dot
- 44 Grow older
- 45 Poetic "evening"
- 46 Bind
- 47 Tranquilize
- 49 Drink slowly
- 50 Morse code dash
- 53 Press with lips as sign of love
- 55 Written communication of information
- 57 Cavalry sword
- 60 Chicken house
- 62 Mature
- 63 Arose
- 64 Opposed
- 65 Chinese chime
- 66 Deprive of mother's milk

39 Small pigeonlike birds 40 Tell a tall tale

50 Chief ancient Philistine god

42 Knotted again

46 Men's jewelry

51 Representative

57 South southwest

61 Less than two

56 Heroic tale

58 Dined 59 Scarf

52 Fence of small trees
54 Replace a striker

48 City in Ohio

49 Struck

43 Small fruit seeds

- 67 Was
- 68 Wager

DOWN

- 1 Biblical woman
- 2 Home
- 3 Slippery
- 4 Monetary unit
- 5 Fibrous
- 6 Beautify
- 7 Alternative (abbr.)
 8 Woodwind instrument's need
- 9 Root of one's emotions
- 10 United Parcel Service
- 11 Compass point
- 12 Title of respect
- 15 Scottish fabrics
- 20 Underground part of plants
- 22 Inaccuracy
- 26 Unpack
- 27 Aloft 28 Mark
- 29 Love squeeze
- 30 Cheat
- 31 Gets older
- 33 Tapestry34 Feudal superior
- 35 Finished
- 36 Fail to keep

VALENTINE'S DAY

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