

# Raising the Standard

The Grand Opening of the New East Branch









photos by Harper Robison

The Standard @ East, Milwaukee Public Library's newest mixeduse library, will open Saturday, Nov. 22 at noon with an outdoor ribbon-cutting ceremony. Afterward, enjoy live entertainment and special treats in celebration of the grand opening.

Exciting new artwork in the library was created by Santiago Cucullu and kathryn e. martin. "Public art is an important part of developing a connection between community and library," said Library Director Paula Kiely. "The focus of this project was to incorporate aspects of the surrounding neighborhood and local history within the library. We have been fortunate to work with the artists to create works that reflect community input and inspire discovery, learning and reading for all." Outside the library, Ray Chi, Milwaukee multimedia artist, was selected to create art on North Cramer Street and along East North Avenue that will engage visitors and pedestrians and reflect the ideas of community, literature, story and learning.

Materials from the original East Library are used throughout the new building. Decking boards from the ceiling of the East Library built in 1968 were saved during demolition and were refinished and hung vertically in the children's area and adult bookstack area in the new building.

Conrad Schmitt Studios designed and executed slab glass panels from glass originally installed in the old East Library. A ribbon of color along the east side of the new branch features 38 of these panels in welded steel frames.

A time capsule was placed in the walls of the new library on June 20, 2014 by East Library staff. The capsule has been registered with the International Time Capsule Society at Oglethorpe University. A plaque will be installed to identify the location of the time capsule.

Learn how you can be part of the East Branch Library with a gift that will be recognized permanently in the library. Details are in this issue on the "From the Friends" page inside.

#### FROM THE





On the cover of this issue of the Reader, you read about our plans for the opening of the new East Branch. We're looking forward to a very special day and hope you'll be able to join us as we unveil the latest of our mixed-use facilities on the east side

We've also added a new page to our website on Library Development. Just click on About > Library Development to read about the plans for Capitol, Forest Home, Martin Luther King and Mill Road Libraries. These branches will also be renovated into mixed-use facilities which will help the city continue to improve library service and save ongoing operating costs, while anchoring catalytic community development projects for each of the neighborhoods and business districts in which the projects are located. We've also begun discussions on the renovation of Tippecanoe Library. You can read about that on their location page on the website.

The Milwaukee Public Library has long enjoyed the loyalty and support of Milwaukee's citizens in our neighborhoods. We know the value placed on having services and resources close to home. By exploring options of mixed-use facilities like the Villard Square Branch, we hope to continue providing this vital neighborhood service to the people of Milwaukee while being fiscally responsible with the support we receive through tax dollars.

As libraries continue to adapt materials and services to the electronic age, we're actually finding more support as our neighbors come to the community meetings we're holding to discuss the changes in store for their library. They use the resources we provide, but more than that, they value the one-on-one service they receive from our staff, the facility that brings their neighborhood together, the literary oasis their library provides in a world that operates in the fast lane.

Please watch for opportunities to attend the community meetings coming up as we continue development of our neighborhood libraries. We'd love to hear from you!

# Graceful Lines, Lives and Love

Schomer Lichtner and Ruth Grotenrath were united both in matrimony and in their commitment to art. They started out painting in the social-realist style of the 1920s and 1930s but soon developed individual styles that became signatures for each of them: Schomer's cows and ballerinas and Ruth's still-lifes and interiors. On Saturday, Oct. 18, from 2-4 p.m. in Central Library's Richard E. and Lucile Krug Rare Books Room, Graeme Reid, Assistant Director of the Museum of Wisconsin Art, will examine how art was woven into their everyday lives as individuals and soul mates. Some of their original drawings and limited edition illustrated books from the Krug Rare Books Room will be on display.



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## Be a Part of the New East Branch Library

Invest today to make the NEW East Branch Library inspirational.

The library will truly be a learning campus and a spark to additional revitalization within the Eastside community. The investment you make today will provide a lasting return for many years to come.

Show your support! Patrons will read about your legacy gift on the donor recognition mural for gifts of \$100 or more.

Call the Foundation at 414.286.3784 for more information or donate online at www.mpl.org/support/foundation/eastbranch.php



## Make Miracles Happen

Miracle on Canal Street is Potawatomi Hotel & Casino's signature community program that raises funds for children's charities – and the Milwaukee Public Library is in the running to be a beneficiary.

Miracle has raised more than \$13.6 million for hundreds of area children's charities. The program began as a way to carry on the Potawatomi tradition of nurturing younger generations so they grow to lead healthy, productive lives.

Half of each \$3 Miracle Bingo game purchased goes to the Miracle fund, which totaled more than \$1 million last year! Give the gift of a promising future by playing the Miracle Bingo game now through December 11. Visit paysbig.com/miracle to learn more.

Benjamin Franklin Award Celebration October 23, 2014

Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the Benjamin Franklin Award Celebration honoring Dr. Mary Kellner and the Faye McBeath Foundation.

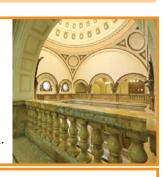
Proceeds from this event strengthen the resources of the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation, enabling it to support and enhance the library collections, technology, programming and facilities.

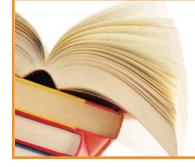
For reservations, please call (414) 286-3784, or email foundation@mpl.org.

## Make a Difference for Your Library

The Friends of the Milwaukee Public Library advocate for libraries, literacy, and lifelong learning through annual memberships. To join the Friends or renew your membership, please visit www.mpl.org and click on "Support the Library" or call (414) 286-8720.

Tours of historic Central Library are free and open to the public Saturdays at 1:30 p.m. To schedule a special tour or to learn about becoming a tour guide, please call (414) 286-TOUR.





**Holiday Sale:** Saturday, Nov. 22, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Central Library, 814 W. Wisconsin Ave., Meeting Room 1

Featuring a large selection of used books, books on tape, magazines, comics, sheet music, children's books and more. All proceeds from this sale benefit the Milwaukee Public Library. Friends members may enter sales 30 minutes before the public with current membership card. Please use the Eighth Street entrance and present your card.

There will be a 1/2 price sale in the Bookseller Used Book Store during the Holiday Sale.

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#### The Romanov Sisters: The Lost Lives of the Daughters



of Nicholas and Alexandra by Helen Rappaport. 947.083 R221R. 2014. The daughters of Tsar Nicholas were the darlings of Imperial Russia, perhaps the first of the constantly watched and discussed " Celebrity Royals." During their lives they were collectively known as OTMA, but in Rappaport's deft hands, the girls are brought

to life as unique individuals. Each speaks for herself through highly personal diaries and letters never before available.

The Opposite of Loneliness by Marina Keegan. 818.609 K262. 2014.



This is a poignant collection of essays and stories written by a young woman who died too young and with so much promise. The stories and essays cover a range of topics including long-lost love, long-distance romance, the sentimentality felt for a first car, following your own path, and under-

standing how much you are loved.

Casebook by Mona Simpson. Fiction. 2014.



Miles wants to find out what is happening with his parents so he begins to snoop, eavesdrop and spy on his mother along with his best friend Hector. His parents do divorce and his mother starts to date a man who he comes to like, but does not thoroughly trust. What he finds out may be too much for him to handle.

Midnight Crossroad by Charlaine Harris. Science Fiction. 2014



Fans of the Sookie Stackhouse series will enjoy this first book in a planned trilogy. The few residents of Midnight, Texas have all chosen this dilapidated small town for its size and its quietness. The townspeople, including a witch, a reverend, a vampire, and a psychic, join forces to solve a murder,

resulting in an enjoyable mystery/romance with a dash of the paranormal.

#### Cooking Light Global Kitchen: The World's Most



**Delicious Food Made Easy** by David Joachim. 641.59 J622. 2014.

If you are an enthusiast of exotic cuisine but feel intimidated by the complexity of its preparation, you'll find a variety of authentic and intriguing recipes in this refreshingly accessible cookbook filled

with vibrant photographs, clearly illustrated techniques, and insights into world food cultures.

#### Next Life Might Be Kinder by Howard Norman. Fiction. 2014.



Sam and Elizabeth are young newlyweds exploring all of life's possibilities. After Elizabeth's sudden murder, Sam is forced to explore all of grief's possibilities. In his shock and desolation he moves to a seaside cottage where he is delighted to discover that in the evenings he can visit with his dead

wife as she arranges books on the beach.

#### Take This Man: A Memoir by Brando Skyhorse. 92



S6293. 2014. Maria Ulloa creates a false identity and storyline for her young son Brando, telling him he is the son of the infamous political activist Paul Skyhorse. His actual father was thrown out of the house when Brando was just three years old. Maria has a series of five "marriages" and in each one, Brando

searches to find a father figure.

#### **Booty Bones** by Carolyn Haines. Mystery. 2014.



PI Sarah Booth Delaney is on vacation with her fiancé, film actor Graf Milieu. They've come to Dauphin Island, Alabama to work on wedding plans while he recovers from a gunshot wound. Preoccupied with his physical therapy, Graf becomes emotionally distant. When asked to investigate a murder, Sarah conducts an investigation while trying

to reconnect with Graf.

Contributed by Mill Road Librarians Amy Finn, Enid Gruszka and Tricia Schriefer, and Neighborhood Library Services Assistant Charles Reaves.

# HILDREN'S ROOM

# Teen Read Week - Turn Dreams into Reality

Milwaukee Public Library is dedicated to assisting teens in their pursuit of making dreams come true. The Teen Advisory Board, comprised of middle school and high school students from all over the city, plans programs and events like the annual Manga Drawing Contest (October 1-31) to inspire the next generation of artists. Online services such as Brainfuse (available through www.mpl.org) offer access to tutors who are available to assist with any school topic or test prep. Our knowledgeable, friendly and enthusiastic

library staff is ready to help you navigate library resources and give suggestions on new books to explore. Get a head start on making your big ideas happen by read-





77 Things You Absolutely Have to Do Before You Finish College by Halley Bondy. 378.198 B715. (Age 15 & up)

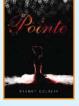
This simple guide is full of tips on how to navigate life in college while keeping to a budget.

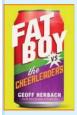
Pointe by Brandy Colbert.

FIC COLBERT. (Age 14 & up)

Theo has dreamed of becoming a professional ballet dancer her whole life, but after her best friend Donovan is brought home after being abducted, she must decide if she will reveal the truth about his abductor.





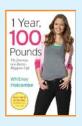


Fat Boy vs the Cheerleaders by Geoff Herbach. FIC HERBACH. (Age 14 & up)

Gabe Johnson, an overweight band geek, declares war on the high school cheerleading team when they take over the soda vending machine funds which used to belong to the pep band.

1 Year, 100 Pounds: My Journey to a Better, Happier Life by Whitney Holcombe. 613.25 H725. (Age 12 & up)

Read about Whitney Holcombe's struggle with weight loss and how she overcame it to lose 100 pounds in one year.





Breathe, Annie, Breathe by Miranda Kenneally. FIC KENNEAL. (Age 12 & up)

After Annie's boyfriend passes away before he can fulfill his dream of running a marathon, she decides to complete it in his memory, even though she loathes running.

Relish: My Life in the Kitchen by Lucy Knisley. GRPH KNISLEY. (Age 12 & up)

Lucy Knisley, the daughter of a chef and a gourmet, is a talented young cartoonist who tells the story of her life and the lessons she's learned about food and cooking along the way.





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Evil Librarian by Michelle Knudsen. FIC KNUDSEN. (Age 15 & up) Cyn's best friend Annie has a crush on the new school librarian. But Mr. Gabriel is a demon sent to gather life force from an unsuspecting student body. Immune to his influence, Cyn sets out to stop the forces of evil in this hilariously dark horror comedy.

100 Sideways Miles by Andrew Smith. FIC SMITH. (Age 12 & up).

While struggling with epilepsy, Finn Easton lives under the shadow of "Literary Finn," the main character of his father's popular novel. Through the influence of a new girl in his life, his charismatic best friend, and an epic road trip, Finn may be able to show the world who he really is.





Sway by Kat Spears. FIC SPEARS. (Age 15 & up) Sway is the guy who can get you anything you want: kegs, fake IDs, test answers, dates. He takes risks because after the suicide of his mother, Sway just doesn't care. But when a rich football star hires Sway to woo the lovely Bridget for him, Sway begins to think maybe he does care about something after all.

The Shadow Hero by Gene Luen Yang, illustrated by Sonny Liew. GRPH YANG. (Age 12 & up) Hank, the son of Chinese Immigrant parents, becomes an unwitting super hero to fulfill his mother's dreams in this new origin story of the Green Turtle, written by Printz Award-winning author Gene Luen Yang.





Fiendish by Brenna Yovanoff. FIC YOVANOF. (Age 12 & up)

Buried alive in a root cellar for ten years because of her magical powers, Clementine reemerges desperate to find out who trapped her and why - the boy who dug her out may actually be the one to blame. Amidst their growing (and dangerous) attraction, both are caught up in a feud between the normal townspeople

and magic users.





## Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

Central Library is thrilled to host a unique performance celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month on **Saturday, Oct. 18 from 1-2 p.m.** in the Schoenleber Reading Room.

See a variety of regional Mexican folk dances and the professional art of trick roping from a world champion trick roper with Ballet Folklorico, presented by Escamilla Entertainment. The performance showcases enriching perspectives of Mexican Culture from traditional Aztec dances of Jalisco, Veracruz and more.

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