

The Talbot County Free Library Announces Its Fall Programming

The Talbot County Free Library, in partnership with Maryland Humanities, the Enoch Pratt Free Library, and the Frederick Douglass Honor Society, is pleased to present this fall the following virtual programs for children and adults. Executive Director Dana Newman said “We are delighted to be able to offer such varied and engaging programs for library patrons of all ages.”

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

Mindful Start Kids Yoga

1st Thursday of the month: Sep. 3 – Feb. 4, 10 a.m.

TCFL Facebook Live

Mindful movement for young children. Recommended for families with children under age 5.

Kids Writers LIVE! with Susan Muaddi Darraj

Saturday, September 12, 2 p.m.

An Enoch Pratt Free Library Program

Meet the author of *Farah Rocks*, the exciting new book series from Capstone, featuring a Palestinian American character -- the brave, funny, and smart Farah Hajjar. Farah has a large rock collection, so gather some rocks from your yard and some paint, and join author Susan Muaddi Darraj in a rock painting activity while she reads from her book. Register at calender.prattlibrary.org/events



Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays, Sept. 15, 22, & 29, October 13, 20, & 27

Thursdays, Sept. 17 & 24, October 8, 15, 22, & 29

TCFL Facebook LIVE, 10:00 a.m.

Stories, Songs, and Rhymes for families with children ages birth to 5

Teen Journaling

Thursdays, September 17, October 1 & 15

1:00 -1:30 p.m., via Zoom

Want to try journaling, but not sure how to start? Join Ms. Laura for talking and writing fun! Inspired by the book, *Journal Sparks* by Emily Neuburger. Register at tcfl.org/child/programreg.

Young Adult Writer's Live with Tehlor Kay Mejia (Hispanic Heritage Month)

Friday, October 2, 5:00 p.m.

An Enoch Pratt Free Library Program

This Hispanic Heritage edition of Young Adult Writers Live! features Tehlor Kay Mejia, author of *We Set the Dark on Fire*, her debut novel. It received six starred reviews and was chosen as an Indie’s Next Pick and a Junior Library Guild selection, as well as being an IndieBound bestseller in the Pacific Northwest region. It was featured in *Seventeen*, *Cosmopolitan*, and *Oprah Magazine’s* best books of 2019 lists, as well as being a book of the year selection by *Kirkus* and *School Library Journal*. Register at calender.prattlibrary.org/events

For more information on the Talbot County Free Library's children's program, contact Senior Youth Librarian Laura Powell at lpowell@tcfl.org or call 410-822-1626.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Writers LIVE! Ellis Cose, *Democracy, If We Can Keep It: The ACLU's 100-Year Fight for Rights in America* Wednesday, September 9, 7 p.m.

An Enoch Pratt Free Library Program

Ellis Cose is a former columnist for *Newsweek*, chairman of the editorial board of the *New York Daily News*, contributor and critic for *Time*, and columnist for *USA Today*. He will talk about the role of the ACLU from World War I to today, chronicling the ACLU's role through the horrors of 9/11, the saga of Edward Snowden, and the phenomenon of Donald Trump. For more details and to register visit calendar.prattlibrary.org. Also broadcast live at facebook.com/theprattlibrary.

Interview with Author Fredrick Backman

A Maryland Humanities Program

Thursday, September 10, 5 p.m.

New York Times best-selling author of *A Man Called Ove*, Fredrik Backman, will be live on Zoom to discuss his latest book, *Anxious People*. In *Anxious People*, Backman drops us into the world of a failed bank robber and the disparate group of strangers who become unwitting hostages, offering up unforgettable insights into the human condition and a gentle reminder to be compassionate to all the anxious people we encounter every day.

For more information and to register visit www.mdhumanities.org/events

One Maryland One Book Discussions

Wednesday, Sept. 16, 6 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 21, 6:30 p.m.

This year's One Maryland One Book selection *The Island of Sea Women* by *New York Times* best-selling author Lisa See is now available to check out from both the Easton and St. Michaels branches. One Maryland One Book is Maryland's only statewide community reading program—like one big book club. It's an opportunity for people to read a good book, then come together for thoughtful discussion. Virtual books discussions will be led by Library Guy Bill Peak. If you would like to participate in one of these discussions, email Bill at mcpeak@tcfl.org with the date you would like to attend. You will receive a Zoom invitation to the program a few days prior to the event.

Frederick Douglass Day

In Partnership with the Frederick Douglass Honor Society

September 26, 10 a.m.

Keynote Speaker: John Stauffer, Professor of English and African and African American Studies at Harvard University and author of *GIANTS: The Parallel Lives of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln*; *The Black Hearts of Men*, co-winner of the Frederick Douglass Book Prize and the Lincoln Prize 2nd Place winner; and *Picturing Frederick Douglass*, a Lincoln Prize finalist. Activities for the day will include a virtual tour of The Hill and of Frederick Douglass' D.C. home. Children will be able to register for free coloring books that they can pick up at the library. This year's event will be virtual via Facebook and the Frederick Douglass Honor society website. For more details visit The Frederick Douglass Honor Society website at <https://frederickdouglasshonorsociety.com/FrederickDouglassDay.html>

**Interview with Lisa See, author of *The Island of Sea Women*
October 5, 7 p.m.**

In partnership with Maryland Humanities, Kent County Public Library, Caroline County Public Library, and Queen Anne's County Library

As part of the programming for Maryland's largest reading and discussion program, 2020 One Maryland One Book author Lisa See will visit us virtually to discuss her book *The Island of Sea Women*.

All four events are free. **You must register to receive the virtual event link.** Event registrants will be entered into a drawing to win a set of teas and snacks from Jeju Island. Register here:

<https://bit.ly/31JoGm7>

**Jon Meacham, *His Truth Is Marching On: John Lewis and the Power of Hope*
Tuesday, October 6, 7 p.m.**

An Enoch Pratt Free Library Program

Jon Meacham will be talking about his new biography of John Lewis. Meacham calls Lewis "as important to the founding of a modern and multiethnic twentieth- and twenty-first-century America as Thomas Jefferson and James Madison and Samuel Adams were to the initial creation of the Republic itself in the eighteenth century." Jon Meacham is a Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer. The author of *The New York Times* bestsellers *Thomas Jefferson: The Art of Power*, *American Lion: Andrew Jackson in the White House*, *Franklin and Winston*, *Destiny and Power: The American Odyssey of George Herbert Walker Bush*, and *The Soul of America*, Meacham is a contributing writer to *The New York Times Book Review*, a contributing editor to *Time*, and a fellow of the Society of American Historians. For more details and to register visit calendar.prattlibrary.org. Also broadcast live at [facebook.com/theprattlibrary](https://www.facebook.com/theprattlibrary).

**Brown Lecture Series: Kenyatta Berry, *The Family Tree Toolkit: A Comprehensive Guide to Uncovering Your Ancestry and Researching Genealogy*, in conversation with Jackie Copeland
Thursday, October 8, 7 p.m.**

An Enoch Pratt Free Library Program

Kenyatta Berry will be in conversation with Jackie Copeland, director of the Reginald F. Lewis Museum, about her work and contributions to the groundbreaking 1619 Project published by *The New York Times*. She was the 2019 Honorary Chair for Preservation Week and named a "Newsmaker" in *American Libraries* magazine. Kenyatta Berry's TV host job on *Genealogy Roadshow* (PBS) generated enormous buzz surrounding her insight, understanding, and expertise by colleagues, genealogy organizations, media, and supporters alike. Register at calendar.prattlibrary.org.

For more information about these program and other library services visit tcfl.org, email askus@tcfl.org, or call 410-822-1626.