



THE LATEST at COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY FEBRUARY 2021

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February is Library Lovers Month!



FEATURED EVENT UNLIMITED BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, February 11th at 6:00pm via Zoom

February's Title: *On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous* by Ocean Vuong

On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous is part autobiography, part fictional tale of a Vietnamese American immigrant named Little Dog. Told through Vuong's lyrical prose as a bitter, tender letter to his mother, it is as much a story of an immigrant family uprooted from one home to cultivate another as it is a personal reflection of generational trauma.

Vuong's work resonates with the reader as he tells a quintessential immigrant story of a younger generation reaching for their elders across a chasm of place, history and culture. It is also uniquely American, exploring themes of race, class and gender. This is not an easy read but there is a powerful message of survival and healing, offering hope through understanding.

We hope you enjoy this book and join in the Unlimited Book Club discussion on Zoom, which takes place on Tuesday, February 11 at 6:00pm. Register for this virtual event @ <https://tinyurl.com/y63w4r35>

Contributed by Joshua, Library Assistant

UPCOMING!

FOREVER YOUNG BOOK CLUB

5:00PM - 6:00PM VIA ZOOM, AGES 18+

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iSPANGLISH! VIRTUAL CONVERSATIONAL PROGRAM

12:00PM - 1:00PM VIA ZOOM, AGES: TEENS & ADULTS

THE RELATION-SHIP

3:30PM - 4:30PM VIA ZOOM, AGES: 14 - 25

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UNLIMITED BOOK CLUB

6:00PM - 7:00PM VIA ZOOM, AGES: TEENS & ADULTS

ASL PRACTICE PLACE

12:00PM - 1:00PM VIA ZOOM, ALL AGES WELCOME

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CRAFT TAKEOUT

5:00PM - 6:00PM VIA FACEBOOK LIVE, AGES: TEENS & ADULTS

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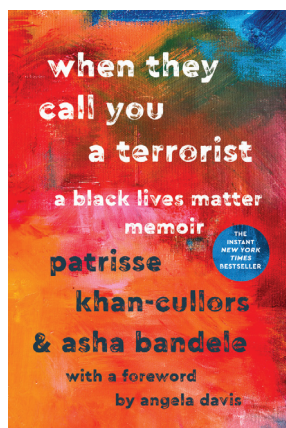
10:30AM - 11:30AM VIA ZOOM, AGES: TEENS & ADULTS

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COMMUNITY COOKING WITH THE CO-OP: STARRING JAMAR

5:30PM - 6:30PM VIA ZOOM, AGES: TEENS, ADULTS, FAMILIES



CBPL STAFF PICKS

WHEN THEY CALL YOU A TERRORIST: A BLACK LIVES MATTER MEMOIR
by Patrisse Khan-Cullors & Asha Bandele
with a foreword by Angela Davis

"For those who want to learn more about Black Lives Matter, start with this powerful, easy-to-read memoir by one of the founders. Khan-Cullors tells her story of overcoming a childhood of poverty and extreme

racism through her own strength, resilience, and LOVE to become a force in a global movement! This pick was inspired by a handmade BLM sign I saw in a window on my afternoon walk today in Coos Bay."

Recommended by Paul, Reference Librarian

DID YOU KNOW? CURRENT BUILDING FAQ

The library's current building sits on a large slough that was filled in, with water diverted through a large culvert behind the library. Rising and lowering tides, heavy rains, and long dry periods have caused the fill beneath the library to continually shift, resulting in various parts of the building rising and falling at different rates. The pilings under the building have failed due to the soil shifting and because they no longer have the same tension as when they were driven into the ground over fifty years ago. Although the building is currently safe to occupy, there is a concern the constant shifting of the foundation could cause structural damage requiring the closure of the building.

To find out more about this issue and the other critical issues the library is current faced with, please visit coosbaylibrary.org > About > Current Building FAQs.

**It sure would be harsh
if we end up in the marsh.**



WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY

CBPL's Swords & Starships podcast debuts!

Swords and Starships is a Science Fiction and Fantasy podcast where two librarians discuss the gems of the genres. It is a podcast made for and by nerds of all fandoms who enjoy reading and love book recommendations. The two hosts, Brittney and Joshua, are lifelong devotees to Fantasy and Sci Fi books and enthusiastic promoters of a healthy Reading Life.

Every episode follows a unique theme that highlight the diversity and wonder that is the Sci Fi/Fantasy genre. The hosts also offer reader advisories where they analyze genre preferences, likes and dislikes in reading content to give a lucky reader some book recommendations they might enjoy.

New episodes are released twice a month on the first and last Friday and can found on multiple podcast platforms or by visiting coosbaylibrary.org > Books & More > S&S Podcast.