

Behind the Lines

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Art Day of Giving coming February 28th. We will be at Old Town Square in the Arts Council tent starting at 3:00 p.m. Contributions received on the 28th will count toward a match from the Wichita Community Foundation. Donate at www.supportwichitalibraries.org or artdayofgiving.razoo.com. See you on the 28th!



The Wichita Community Foundation announces 2 ways you can help support the Library and the Library Foundation. The **Share Your Love** contest will be on the Wichita Community Foundation website www.wichitacf.org. Click on the Facebook tab and make us your favorite organization. Help us win \$1,000 in prize money by participating online. This contest runs through Friday, February 21 at 5:00 p.m. *Your help makes us special!*

On Twitter? Become a follower and tweet a 'Share Your Love' message at #ICTartdog. On Friday, Feb. 21, the Wichita Community Foundation will randomly select an individual to tweet. If you are chosen, please make the Library Foundation your first choice. We will receive an additional \$500. *Your vote counts!*

It's not too late to view all of the Academy Award® Shorts nominated films. Meet your friends for a very special Wichita tradition on February 22nd at the Warren Theatre, 21st and Tyler. The Library will present the animated, live action and documentary short films nominated for an Academy Award® in 2014. Doors open at 9:30. Or join us at the Orpheum at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 1st. Permission to show the films, venue rental and film purchases are all supported by the Foundation. *Your contribution makes it happen!*

There is still time to send me your favorites to win the Oscar for animated, live action and documentary short films. If you get two out of three correct, you will be entered into a drawing for a Friends of the Library Gold card. Winners who already have a card may "gift" their prize to a friend or family member or extend their membership. Please send your ballot by Thursday, February 20th. Regular mail to WPL Foundation, 223 South Main, Wichita, KS 67202 or email foundation@wichita.lib.ks.us. (If you have already submitted your nomination by e-mail, please resend to foundation@wichita.lib.ks.us)

1. Documentary: _____
2. Animation: _____
3. Live Action: _____

Calling all Library supporters. We know you have an interest in the future of the Library and this program is for you. Join Wichita Public Library Board Chair Steve Roberts on Sunday, March 9th at 2:00 p.m. Central Library 3rd floor auditorium, as he discusses today's library, the future of libraries and the new Central Library project. Tours of the Central Library will be available after the presentation. For more information, call 261-8500.

The Friends of the Library are getting ready for their used book sale at the Wichita Boathouse, 515 S. Wichita (across from the Hyatt Hotel). Members only sale starts Tuesday, March 18th at 5:30 p.m. The sale opens to the public on Wednesday, March 19th at 10:00 a.m. For more information check the Friends new website at www.wichitalibraryfriends.org.

Looking for a program or activity for your favorite club or civic group? Your Library is just the place. The March Senior Wednesday program - for active seniors ages 55 or better, will be presented by Susie Haver, co-director of the Cloud County Convention and Visitors Bureau. She will be our tour guide as we explore the National Orphan Train Museum, Brown Grand Theatre and World War II POW Camp Concordia, The program begins at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, in the Central Library 3rd floor auditorium.

For the younger set check out Spring Break activities. The Alford Branch Library is hosting a teen program, "Steampunk Primer" on Monday, March 17th at 2:30. Children ages 8-12 should plan a trip to Rockwell Branch Library for "Cool Kitchen Science" on March 18 at 2:30 p.m. Find a full list of Spring Break programs, check the events calendar www.wichita.lib.ks.us. or call 261-8500. See you there!

Looking for a book discussion club to join? Have an interest in mysteries? Look no further than your Library. Join us at the Alford Branch, 3447 S. Meridian on Wednesday, February 26th at 6:00 p.m. for a lively discussion of "Murder at the Library of Congress" by Margaret Truman. Need a different time or location, check the Library's event calendar at www.wichita.lib.ks.us/calendar. Not finding what you are looking for? Call 261-8500 for more information.

Did you know? Over 2 million books, CDs, DVDS, and e-Reads circulated in 2013. It was a very busy year!

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