



Crete Public Library

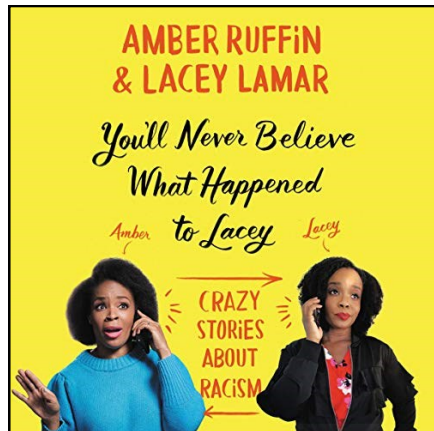
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REAL TALK ON RACISM: BOOK CLUB WITH NEBRASKA AUTHORS

Honest dialogue about racism and its local impact is a vital step in building inclusive communities.



Join us for a book club to discuss, ***You'll Never Believe What Happened to Lacey: Crazy Stories in Racism*** by Nebraska authors Amber Ruffin and Lacey Lamar.

The sisters write with humor and heart to share absurd stories about everyday experiences of racism in the Heartland. Honest dialogue about racism and its local impact is a vital step in building inclusive communities, and this book is an excellent opening to that conversation.

The library has two print copies and one audiobook. We plan to hold a book club to discuss this book on Saturday, 15 January, 10:00am. The authors will hold a talk on 19 January at 6:00pm via ZOOM. This will be held in the community room.

(This Crete Reads! event has been postponed as of Jan. 3)



For the final event of this year's Crete Reads!, the library will be hosting a movie night in January. If you liked this year's Crete Reads! book — you will enjoy seeing Tom Hanks as Captain Kidd reading the news to the citizens of North Texas.



Pizza and popcorn will be served at no charge but reservations are requested. Contact the library at 402-826-3809 to make your reservation. The movie will be shown in the Community Room on **Tuesday, January 11th at 5:30pm.**

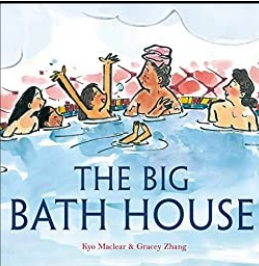
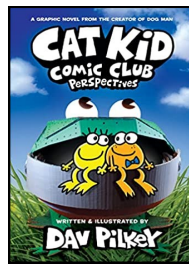
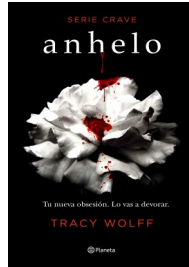
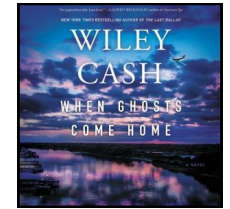
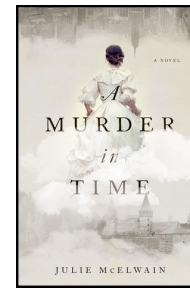
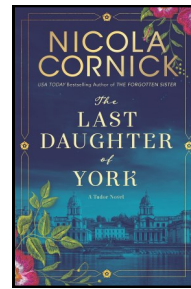
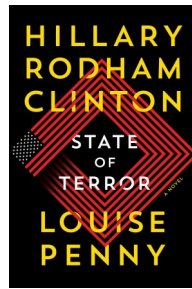
After the movie there will be a brief discussion comparing the book to the movie.

The Crete Reads! Committee is busy determining the short list of books for 2022. The community will then be invited to vote among the final three titles.

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 1515 Forest Avenue
 Crete, Nebraska 68333
 402-826-3809

Library Hours
 Monday, Wednesday & Friday
 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday & Thursday
 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
 Sunday - Closed

Pick up a new Preschool
 craft kit each Thursday.



Find these and more @ your library.

Get Ready for Summer Reading!

There will be **"Oceans of Possibilities"** for reading this summer! That is this year's Summer Reading theme. We are looking forward to a fun-filled month of reading, programs and fun. The Kickoff will be Thursday, June 2 at 6pm. Several presenters are already booked!

Wildlife Encounters: From the sharks swimming in the coral reefs to the mighty elephants roaming the plains of Africa, the oceans connect all living organisms. By producing oxygen, supplying food and regulating our climate, the oceans help sustain these living organisms.

Dinosaur Dimensions: Your chance to "meet the dinosaurs". An amazing collection of realistic puppets present an experience like no other.



#PlantWildflowers

Alongside *Oceans of Possibilities*, we will be getting up close to pollinators and wildflowers. Starting in the spring, all are invited to plant wildflowers seeds and take them home to plant later in the summer. We will be hosting programs on bee identification and community BioBlitzes where we will be recording species within a specific area in the Library Park and providing this information to iNaturalist.



We also have a special screening of the acclaimed PBS Nature documentary *My Garden of a Thousand Bees*. All of these activities will be free of charge. More information about #PlantWildflowers activities will be found on Facebook, the library website, and in upcoming newsletters.