

# JANUARY 2019

## Press/Publicity report



## DIVERSIONS

### Photo show

**Entries:** The Southern Colorado Photography Society and the Pueblo City-County Library District will accept entries for its co-sponsored 2019 Annual Photography Show on Jan. 26 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Rawlings Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., fourth floor.

This show will be judged by John Johnson.

Categories for this show are Emerging Artists and Established Artists.

Entry fees are \$9 per entry for Southern Colorado Photography Society members; \$10 per entry for non-members.

Maximum outside frame size is 22-inches-by-30-inches; and all entries must be ready to hang with wire on the back.

There is a limit of two entries per person.

# LOCAL NEWS

## Project combines classroom work with concerts, events

**By Jon Pompia**  
The Pueblo Chieftain

Can exposure to the arts and music in and out of the classroom translate to higher test scores and enhanced academic process?

The Ryals Family Foundation has committed \$12,600 to find out.

Thanks to a partnership

encompassing the Pueblo City-County Library District, the Pueblo Symphony, the Sangre de Cristo Arts and Conference Center and Colorado State University-Pueblo's Center for Teaching and Learning, The Ryals Learning Project seeks to demonstrate the value of supplementary arts and literacy curriculum support on early

childhood learning success.

At Columbian Elementary School, which serves a high-poverty student body, 20 first- and second-grade students will receive special curriculum aid and incentives in the arts, music and literacy in order to gauge any positive impact on learning achievement. Student success will be tracked over two academic

years, with standardized scores to be compared with local, state and national norms.

Jon Walker, executive director of the library district, recently briefed the Pueblo City Schools (D60) board of education on the innovative undertaking.

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### PROGRAM

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"The work they do in the classroom will align with some out-of-classroom activities, including two symphony concerts, two arts center productions and two author events," Walker said. The specialized curriculum will support the extra-curricular outings, with Columbian educators to receive training in the delivery of that curriculum through workshops.

The academic part of the undertaking will be monitored by the Center for Teaching and Learning.

As part of the project, family members of participating students will likewise be exposed to symphony and arts-related events.

"The parents will receive some special incentives to ensure that they will be engaged as well," Walker added. These incentives will include transportation

to, and admission into, concerts and related activities.

Over the two-year span of the project, "We hope the results will show that these kids will benefit by exposure to the arts, literacy and music," Walker said. "If those concerts, theater productions and so on are aligned with the classroom curriculum.

"But we'll see what the study shows in the end. We really appreciate you accepting the gift and we also want to appreciate Columbian, especially (Principal) Michele Alcon-Montoya and (literacy specialist) Abby Spillman. If it wasn't for those ladies, this wouldn't be happening."

Walker also saluted the efforts of Ray Aguilera, who through his Pueblo Poverty Foundation has long championed Columbian and other Bessemer schools.

"This is a wonderful opportunity," D60 board President Barb Clementi told Walker. "And we very much appreciate your shepherding this, as well as all the others

that you mentioned."

Earlier in the board meeting, Spillman and students from Columbian, Bessemer Academy and Carlile Elementary School currently taking part in the Aguilera-sponsored vocabulary challenge addressed the board.

"It is so exciting to be part of such an enriching experience," Spillman said. "We want to thank you for continuing to support our students."

One of those students, Joshua Waite of Carlile, has been a vocabulary challenge participant since its inception.

"Last year I won the vocabulary challenge with 927 words," he told the board. "And this year so far I have 128 words. I know if I keep working hard, I might be able to win again this year."

"The vocabulary challenge has made me an advanced reader and I enjoy being able to learn all the new words."

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**LOCAL BRIEFS**

**Changing dietary habits  
documentary film Tuesday**

The Parkview Medical Center Mobile Nurses will present the documentary film, "Eating You Alive" scheduled from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

The documentary film looks at ways of changing dietary habits that can have advantageous effects on a person's health.

No advance registration is required. The viewing is free and open to the public.

Parkview's Mobile Nurses are certified in plant-based education and, among their numerous public health efforts, they work to encourage people to incorporate more fruits and vegetables into their lifestyle.

## CALENDAR

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#### **Knit and Crochet Table Gang:**

1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Thurston Room of the Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., 251-1938 or jpf6476@hotmail.com.

**Pueblo Storytellers:** 1 to 2:30 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., all adults welcome, 543-6234. 11th St., 542-4578 or 821-2756.

**Cast Off Knitters:** 1 to 4 p.m., Pueblo West Library, 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd., 330-465-0193.

**Pueblo Toastmasters:** 6 p.m., Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave., 415-1176.

## AT THE LIBRARY

### **Favorites Reads: 2018 From the Pueblo City-County Library District**

#### **Fiction**

"An Absolutely Remarkable Thing," by Hank Green\*  
"Then She Was Gone," by Lisa

Jewell\*  
"A Place For Us," by Fatima Farheen Mirza\*  
"My Year of Rest and Relaxation," by Ottessa Moshfegh\*  
"Girls Burn Brighter," by Shobha Rao\*

"The Female Persuasion," by Meg Wolitzer\*  
**Non-Fiction**  
"In Pieces," by Sally Field\*  
"21 Lessons for the 21st Century," by Yuval Noah Harari\*  
"Brief Answers to the Big

Questions," by Stephen Hawking\*  
"Robin," by Dave Itzkoff\*  
**"The Good Neighbor:** The Life and Work of Fred Rogers," by Maxwell King\*  
**"Enlightenment Now:** The Case for Reason, Science, Humanism,

and Progress," by Steven Pinker\*

\*Titles are either available or can be recommended in the eBook format through PCCLD's Cloud Library Collection

**DIVERSIONS**



**'Caribbean Cow' by Mo Keenan-Mason** [COURTESY PHOTO/MO KEENAN-MASON]

**'Just Animals' show**

Throughout the month of January, Mo Keenan-Mason's "Just Animals" will be showcased in the Vectra Gallery at the Pueblo West Library, 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.

The show is a collection of large format animal paint-

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**Origami Odyssey:** 2-4  
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Rawlings Library. Pigs  
will folded to celebrate  
the Year of the Pig. 544-  
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"Vox," by Christina  
Dalcher\*  
"The Witch Elm," by Tana  
French\*  
"Everything Here is  
Beautiful," by Mira T. Lee\*  
"The Mars Room," by  
Rachel Kushner\*  
"Warlight," by Michael  
Ondaatje\*  
"The Overstory," by  
Richard Powers\*

### **Non-Fiction**

**"Leadership:** In Turbulent  
Times," by Doris Kearns  
Goodwin\*  
**"Always Look on the  
Bright Side of Life:** A

Sortabiography," by Eric  
Idle\*

### **"The Future of Humanity:**

Terraforming Mars,  
Interstellar Travel,  
Immortality, and Our  
Destiny Beyond Earth," by  
Michio Kaku\*

### **"I Am, I Am, I Am:**

Seventeen Brushes  
with Death," by Maggie  
O'Farrell\*

"The Order of Time," by  
Carlo Rovelli\*

### **"The Girl Who Smiled**

**Beads:** A Story of War and  
What Comes After," by  
Clementine Wamariya\*

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## Spring 2019 PLA Leadership Academy participants announced

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CHICAGO – The Public Library Association (PLA) Leadership Development Committee (<http://www.ala.org/pla/about/people/committees/pla-tfleader>) has selected 28 exceptional librarians to participate in the Spring 2019 PLA Leadership Academy (<http://ala.informz.net/z/cjUucD9taT03OTg0MzEwJnA9MSZ1PTExMTE0MzQ0DEmbGk9NTg5NTM4ODU/index.html>), which will be held Mar. 25–29 in Chicago, Ill. The PLA Leadership Academy (<http://www.ala.org/pla/education/inperson/leadershipacademy>) empowers public library professionals to become innovative and successful leaders of change, shifting their libraries from an internal approach—focused on organizational operations—to an external approach—focused on community needs. The centerpiece of the PLA Leadership Academy is a dynamic in-person event that includes four days of interactive education and networking. The Spring 2019 PLA Leadership fellows are:

- Dawn Borgardt; Library Supervisor; Hillsboro (Ore.) Public Library
- Anne Bramblett; Assistant Director of Public Services; Austin (Texas) Public Library
- Veronica Britto; Administrative Librarian; Free Library of Philadelphia (Penn.)
- Connie Chow; Branch Manager; Huntsville-Madison County (Ala.) Public Library
- Midori Clark; Director of Community Relations, Development & Strategic Initiatives; Pueblo (Colo.) City-County Library District
- Cathy De Leon; Manager of Branch Library Services; Long Beach (Calif.) Public Library
- Hadiya Evans; Librarian; Denver (Colo.) Public Library
- Bernie Farrell; Youth Services Coordinator; Hennepin County (Minn.) Library
- Christina Fuller-Gregory; Makerspace Librarian; Spartanburg County (S.C.) Public Libraries
- Jill Hutchison; Youth Services Coordinator; St. Mary's County (Md.) Library
- Lena Kilburn; Assistant Director; Framingham (Mass.) Public Library
- Portia Latalladi; Branch Manager; Chicago (Ill.) Public Library
- Amita Lonial; Assistant Director; Tacoma (Wash.) Public Library.
- Anthony Lucarelli; Head of Adult Services; Indian Prairie Public Library District (Darien, Ill.)
- Marcos Martinez; Managing Librarian; Austin (Texas) Public Library
- Rosanna McGinnis; Director; Lewis Cooper Jr. Memorial Library (Opelika, Ala.)
- Jean Mead; Assistant Director; Athens (Ga.) Regional Library System
- Amy Mikel; Coordinator of School Outreach; Brooklyn (N.Y.) Public Library
- Quintina Mraz; Early Literacy Services Coordinator; Fairfax County (Va.) Public Library
- Megan Mulvey; Outreach & Program Services Manager; Suffolk (Va.) Public Library
- Felicia Oliver; Branch Manager; Calcasieu Parish Public Library (Lake Charles, La.)
- Nataliya Papushina; Branch Supervisor; Indian Trails Public Library District (Wheeling, Ill.)
- Lindsey Patrick; Library Manager 3; Nashville (Tenn.) Public Library
- Nanette Peterson; Branch Manager; Somerset County Library System of New Jersey
- David Quick; Adult Services Coordinator; (Washington) D.C. Public Library
- Abby Simpson; Southeast Regional Manager; Pikes Peak Library District (Colorado Springs, Colo.)
- Casey Titschinger; Branch Manager; Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County (Ohio)
- Joshua Wolf; Community Engagement & Learning Services Manager; Monroe County (Ind.) Public Library

The PLA Leadership Academy: Navigating Change · Building Community (<http://www.ala.org/pla/education/leadershipacademy>) is a program developed in partnership with the International City and County Management Association (ICMA) and Adam Goodman, director of the Center for Leadership, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., with support from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Since the program's inception in 2013, a total of four academies have been held and 114 leaders have been trained. [Click here](#) (<http://www.ala.org/pla/education/inperson/leadershipacademy/pastacademies>) for information on past academies.

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"All We Ever Wanted," by Emily Giffin\*  
"The Wife Between Us," by Greer Hendricks\*  
"The Largesse of the Sea Maiden: Stories," by Denis Johnson\*  
"Still Me," by Jojo Moyes\*  
"Winter," by Ali Smith\*

#### Non-Fiction

"The Wonderful Mr. Willughby: The First True Ornithologist," by Tim Birkhead\*

"Ruth Bader Ginsburg: A Life," by Jane Sherron de Hart\*

"The Big Fella: Babe Ruth and the World He Created," by Jane Leavy\*

"These Truths: A History of the United States," by Jill Lepore\*

"Heartland: A Memoir of Working Hard and Being Broke in the Richest Country on Earth," by Sarah Smarsh\*

"The Road to Unfreedom: Russia, Europe, America," by Timothy Snyder\*

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