



This Month on Martine

News from the White Plains Public Library

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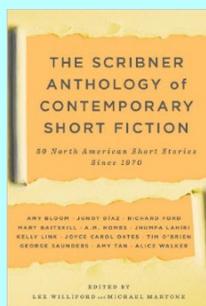
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Reading: It's a Group Sport

The benefits from reading are myriad: it reduces stress, improves memory, and creates greater empathy, just to name a few. And reading as part of a group only increases these benefits. Plus, you get to meet your neighbors and make new friends.



Thursday, Jan. 8 at 2:00 p.m. join Librarian Barbara Wenglin for a discussion of two stories, "Wickedness" by Ron Hansen

Dear Friend:

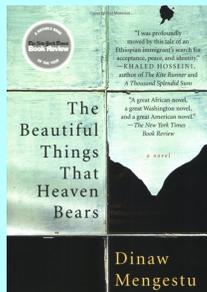
Welcome to *This Month on Martine*, the new White Plains Public Library e-newsletter, sponsored by the White Plains Library Foundation. We look forward to sharing news with you, as well as highlights of programs and events, every month. If you have friends who might enjoy this newsletter, please forward it to them; the link is at the bottom of the page, where you can unsubscribe if you received this email in error.

Library Wins Building Award

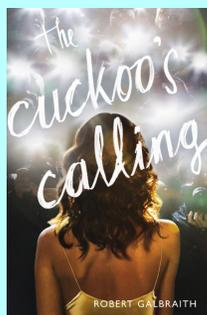


Did you hear our good news? The Edge, our new teen library, was awarded the 2014 Building Award from the New York Library Association for public libraries serving communities over 20,000. This prestigious award recognizes construction projects that significantly enhance services and demonstrate cost effective solutions and innovative space usage. We are grateful to the many Foundation donors who supported this great project--your investment has had a great impact on White Plains teens.

and "The Hermit's Story,"
by Rick Bass.



Tuesday, Jan. 13 at 2:30 p.m., The Page Turners, a book discussion group led by Librarian Elizabeth Hughes, will discuss *The Beautiful Things That Heaven Bears* by Dinaw Mengestu.



Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 2:30 p.m. Robert Galbraith's *The Cuckoo's Calling* will be the topic of discussion at Book 'Em!, a Mystery Book Group led by Library Director Brian Kenney.

Too Good to Miss



Interested in White Plains' history? Then join Librarian Ben Himmelfarb for the **White Plains History Roundtable**, a monthly meeting. January's program will be held on **Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 7:30 p.m.** and will focus on urban renewal. Bring your questions, stories, and

We're Going hoopla Over hoopla

Yes, we still love (and purchase!) print books. But increasingly, people are using digital content, and we're following their lead. We long partnered



with Overdrive to offer e-books and digital audio books. This month, we will begin to offer hoopla, a service that provides thousands of movies, TV shows, music albums, and audiobooks--all available for streaming or downloading. Best of all, all the content is instantly available, there are no late fees, and no ads either.

Get started with hoopla today, or come to the grand opening (and help us cut the hoopla cake!) on **Saturday, January 10 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** We'll have staff on hand to show you how to use hoopla, on either your device or ours. Or just stop by the Library at any time and we'll help you get started.

Transforming Lives, Every Day



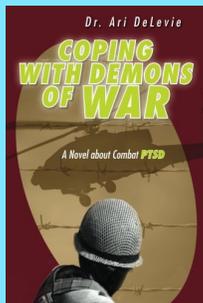
In the Digital Media Lab

While space transformations might be our most visible accomplishment, the Library helps people of all ages move on in their lives with vital programs that support reading, education, career development, citizenship, and personal development. The White Plains Library Foundation provides the funding for many of these programs through the generosity of many community members. Can we count on you to make a donation to our Annual Campaign? It's easy--make a [secure online donation here](#), or send your check to the Foundation at 100 Martine Ave., White Plains, NY 10601.

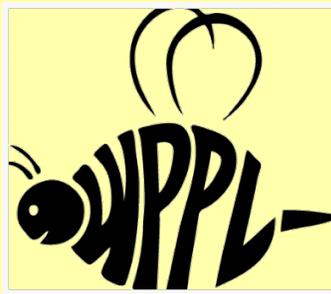
knowledge!



This month's Poetry Slam and Open Mic will feature Chris August, winner of the 2011 Individual World Poetry Slam after more than ten years of repping the DC/Baltimore area as a slam poet. **Wednesday, Jan. 7 at 6:30 p.m.**



Thursday, Jan. 29 at 2:00 p.m. Novelist Ari DeLevie, will read from his debut novel, *Coping with Demons of War*, which Kirkus Reviews calls "an intelligent, cumulatively powerful" work. The novel focuses on eight men, all veterans of the Israeli armed forces, all suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder. The author will sell and sign his book after the reading.



Think You Know Your A-Bee-Cs? Hive Some Fun at Our First-Ever Adult & Teen Spelling Bee Fundraiser!

The Foundation announces its first-ever Spelling Bee, to be held Friday, Feb. 27, at Highlands Middle School auditorium. Doors open at 7 p.m.; Bee starts at 7:30. Noted author **Lawrence Otis Graham** will be our emcee. Snow date Friday, March 6.

Enter a team of up to 3 people, high-school age or above. Entry fee is \$75 per team; download form [here](#). Entry deadline Jan. 31, 2015.

Can't spell? Buzz on over to watch the fun! \$5 admission. Raffle drawing & refreshments available. Event proceeds will support The Trove's technology fund.

Have a question or comment? Drop us a line.

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