Meet Author Nathaniel Rich

Please join us for a virtual author visit with Nathaniel Rich on **Tuesday, August 10th, 7:00–8:00 p.m.** He'll discuss his recent book *Second Nature: Scenes from a World Remade* ([Library Catalog](https://example.com/library) / [OverDrive](https://example.com/overdrive)).

Today, scientists race to reanimate extinct beasts, our most essential ecosystems require monumental engineering projects to survive, and chicken breasts grow in test tubes. No rock, leaf, or cubic foot of air on Earth has escaped humanity's clumsy signature. The distinctions we grew up with—between natural and artificial, dystopia and utopia, science fiction and science fact—have blurred, losing all meaning.

In *Second Nature*, we meet ordinary people who make desperate efforts to preserve their humanity in a world that seems increasingly alien. Their stories—obsessive, intimate, and deeply reported—help us understand our place in a reality that resembles nothing human beings have known before.

Nathaniel Rich is an author and writer-at-large for *The New York Times Magazine* and a regular contributor to *The Atlantic*, Harper’s, and *The New York Review of Books*. His other books include *Losing Earth: A Recent History*. He is also the author of the novels *King Zeno Odds Against Tomorrow* and *The Mayor’s Tongue*.

This program is sponsored by the [White Plains Library Foundation](https://example.com/libraryfoundation).
Click [HERE](#) to register and you’ll receive a Zoom link unique to your email.

Take care,

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**Move & Groove with Miss Jolie**  
**Tuesday, July 27th**  
11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Miss Jolie's Music & Movement  
Class infuses learning and movement with music, stories, and lots of silliness! Jolie brings a twist to classic children’s music in addition to engaging children with original interactive songs. Singing, dancing, clapping, snapping, and stomping are highly encouraged! Jolie performs with her ukulele along with other musical instruments and props for the children. For ages 1-6, but open to

**Lunchtime Meditation**  
**Wednesday, July 28th**  
12:00–12:45 p.m.

Brief beginning instruction followed by meditation. No experience or special equipment needed. A variety of guest instructors will lead the program. For information on attending, [click here](#). This will be the last program before the August break. Lunchtime Meditation will resume on September 1.
Do you need Internet access or know someone who does?

We are now circulating laptop “bundles,” which consist of a laptop and mobile hotspot. Laptop bundles are available exclusively to White Plains Library cardholders 18 and older in good standing. Bundles may be placed on hold. To place a laptop bundle on hold, click here.

The loan period will be two weeks with no renewals. For full info—including a list of included software—click here.

Turtle Dance Music: Songs That Count
Thursday, July 29th
11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Join Turtle Dance Music for a Music, Bubble and Comedy Show! Each song is accompanied by hands-on, visual, and sensory experiences designed to help kids learn and have fun at the same time. Find out more and get the Zoom link here.
FREE Multi-Day Meal Boxes!

White Plains City School District and Revolution Foods are proud to provide FREE meals for ALL children 18 and under in the White Plains area.

Starting Tuesday, July 20th through August 31st, a week’s worth of meals will be available in one easy weekly pick-up.

Each child will receive 7 breakfasts and 7 lunches to last throughout the week.

All families can pick up delicious & nutritious meals for their child(ren) at:

Tuesdays, 8:00–10:00 AM
Roehambeau Alternative High School
228 Fisher Avenue
White Plains, NY 10606

Meal kits are limited and will be available on a first come first serve basis.

This is an equal opportunity provider and in compliance with USDA regulations for SFSP support. For more information on the meal program, contact:
Office of Food & Nutrition, (914) 422-2054
www.whiteplainspublicschools.org

Around the Web

Facts on Coronavirus.

Sylvia Plath's tarot deck just sold for $200,000.

Stacey Abrams’s first children’s book will be published in December.
Spring 2022 children's books sneak preview.

Books you never knew had manga adaptations.

Photo of the Week

Left: Urban flowers outside Library. By M. Gilhooley.

We want your photos! In each issue of This Week on Martine we feature one patron submitted photo that was taken in White Plains. To submit your photography for a chance to be featured, visit our submission page, upload a photo, and fill out our form with a short description of the photo and your name.