Virtual Author Visit with Frank Bruni

The White Plains Library Foundation is presenting a virtual author visit with bestselling author, journalist, and White Plains native Frank Bruni. He'll be talking about his new book, *The Beauty of Dusk: On Vision Lost and Found*. Please join us on Tuesday, April 5th, 2022 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. [REGISTER HERE](#).

One morning in late 2017, *New York Times* columnist Frank Bruni woke up with strangely blurred vision. He wondered at first if some goo or gunk had worked its way into his right eye. But this was no fleeting annoyance, no fixable inconvenience. Overnight, a rare stroke had cut off blood to one of his optic nerves, rendering him functionally blind in that eye—forever. And he soon learned from doctors that the same disorder could ravage his left eye, too. He could lose his sight altogether.

In *The Beauty of Dusk*, Bruni hauntingly recounts his adjustment to this daunting reality, a medical and spiritual odyssey that involved not only reappraising his own priorities but also reaching out to, and gathering wisdom from, longtime friends and new acquaintances who had navigated their own traumas and afflictions. The result is
a poignant, probing and ultimately uplifting examination of the limits that all of us inevitably encounter, the lenses through which we choose to evaluate them and the tools we have for perseverance.

Frank Bruni will be interviewed by Beth Kava, President of the Foundation.

This program is made possible with generous support from our event sponsors: Janet & John Bailey, Holden Brothers, P.C, Joan & Steve Kass, Diane H. Tabakman & David W. Rhodes.

Take care,

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We appreciate support from the White Plains Library Foundation for many of our programs. Events funded by the Foundation are noted with an ✴️.

✴️ Poetry Slam & Open Mic
Tonight, March 2nd
7:00–9:00 p.m.
Join Zork and Kristen for the First Wednesday Poetry Slam! Pre-registration is required to try and accommodate as many poets as possible. Register here to attend or perform. Please be sure to provide an active email address as we will contact you to confirm whether you will be performing or just attending. Adults & teens welcome!

✴️ Saturday Storytime!
Saturday, March 5th
2:00–2:35 p.m.
Stories, songs and fun for ages 2-6 with a Trove librarian. Click here for the Zoom link.
Healthy Living for Your Brain & Body
Tuesday, March 8th
7:00–8:00 p.m.
For centuries, we’ve known that the health of the brain and the body are connected. But now, science is able to provide insights into how to make lifestyle choices that may help you keep your brain and body healthy as you age. Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement, and use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging. To register, please contact Jessica Flores at: (845) 610-6916 OR jmflores@alz.org.

Genealogy: Kiss Me, I'm Irish
Thursday, March 10th
7:00–8:00 p.m.
Genealogist Sarah Gutmann will teach you how to trace the paths of your Irish immigrant ancestors. Discover how to gather information about them through U.S. records and then where and how to look for them in Irish records. Click here to register.

Genealogy: What to Expect from the 1950 Census
Tuesday, March 15th
7:00–8:00 p.m.
After 72 years, the 1950 Census will be made public on April 1. Come
find out why this is a big deal for historians, genealogists, sociologists and the like. This presentation will address these and other questions: What questions did they ask? | Why did they keep it private for 72 years? | Am I in it and how do I find out? | Why do we have a census anyway? | Presented by Alan Steinfeld. Click here to register.

Battle of the Books
Summer 2022
We are in the process of recruiting our Library’s teams for the Westchester Library System Battle of the Books Summer League! Battle of the Books is a book-based trivia tournament for Westchester youth entering grades 4-12 in September of 2022. There are two age groups for the Battle of the Books competition. Matches for children entering grades 4-7 in fall 2022 will take place on Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. from July 5 through August 16. Matches for teens entering grades 6-12 in fall 2022 will take place on Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. from July 7 through August 18. The deadline to apply is March 9th.

To find out more about Battle of the Books, the titles we will be reading, and how to apply, please click here.

Women's History Month:
Books & Films
Find our list of Women's History Month themed books and films here.

ASK YOUR QUESTION ON MARCH 10TH (registration starts March 9th at 7am)

Questions a Financial Planner Can Answer

One-to-one consults with Attorneys, Financial Planners, and Care Managers.
United Way of Westchester and Putnam

Children's Book Drive

White Plains Public Library
100 Martine Avenue
White Plains NY

Donate new or gently used books for ages 0-10!

Drop Off box located outside the Trove Children's Library on the Second Floor

in celebration of World Book Day!

Each book donated will be distributed to children in Westchester and Putnam Counties!

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Criminal minds: previewing the mystery trends and titles of 2022.

Get reading: this is how books can impact your mental health.
Here are the winners of the [2022 PEN America Literary Awards](#).

Ilya Kaminsky on Ukrainian, Russian, and the [language of war](#).

### Online Author Talks & More

**March 3rd, at 7:00 p.m.:** Author Talk with Brendan Slocumb: The Violin Conspiracy. [Click here to attend.](#)

**March 15th, at 12:00 p.m.:** Edelweiss+ Editors' Picks: Women's Fiction. [Register here.](#)

**March 16th, at 7:00 p.m.:** An Evening with Fashion Icon Diane Von Furstenberg, Author of Own It: The Secret to Life. [See event details here.](#)

### Photo of the Week

**Above:** A tranquil park site surrounded by North Broadway streets. Photo by Hank.

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
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