

# BAILEY PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, September 2

Music Time w/ Caleb Orion 10:30am

Rug Rats Playtime (upstairs) 11:30am

Bailey Yoga Night 6pm

Tuesday, September 8

Story Hour w/ Ms. Jenn 10:30am

Rug Rats Playtime (upstairs) 11:30am

Wednesday, September 16

Kids Yoga 10:30am

Rug Rats Playtime (upstairs): 11:30am

Title Waves Book Group 6pm

Tuesday, September 22

Music Time w/ Buster B 10:30am

Rug Rats Playtime (upstairs) 11:30am

Owen King 6:30pm

Tuesday, September 29

Story Hour w/ Ms. Jenn 10:30am

Rug Rats Playtime (upstairs) 11:30am

Every Tuesday: Craft Time 4pm

Daily: Lego Club in WAFCU Fireplace Room

Monday–Thursday:

Teen After–School Program

Teen Area of the Adult Wing, 3–6pm

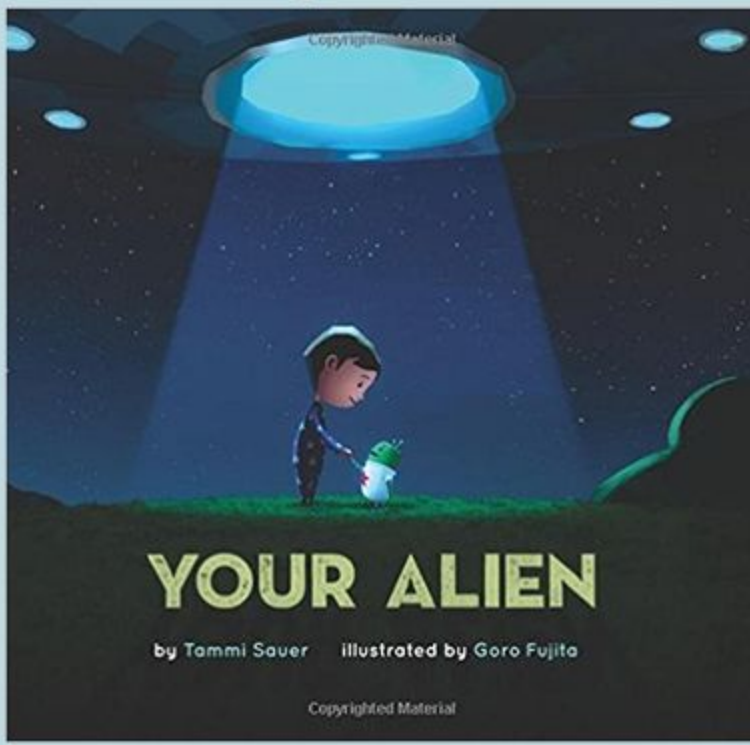


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# New Kids Book to Love

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NEW BOOK AT THE LIBRARY:  
Your Alien by Tammi Sauer



Even aliens need hugs. "You will be looking out your window when something wonderful comes your way." That something is a small, green, tentacled, and impossibly cute alien making a poor landing in a spacecraft. The alien enjoys school, and helps his human friend see the world in new ways. Nothing seems to make him happy, but a hug helps a little. Turning all the house lights on draws attention from outer space, and after waving goodbye to his little green buddy, it's the human boy who is wistful. Sauer's sweet tale of interplanetary friendship makes terrific use of second-person narration. Young listeners will identify with the young protagonist whether they have dreamed of having an alien best friend or not (but really, who hasn't?). Fujita's digitally created cartoon illustrations have the appearance of acrylic paintings and augment the gentle humor of the simple tale.

Will likely inspire preschoolers to stare hopefully heavenward looking for their own close encounters.

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# Staff Picks!

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Shane Billings: "Rooms" by Lauren Oliver & "The Children's Crusade" by Ann Packer

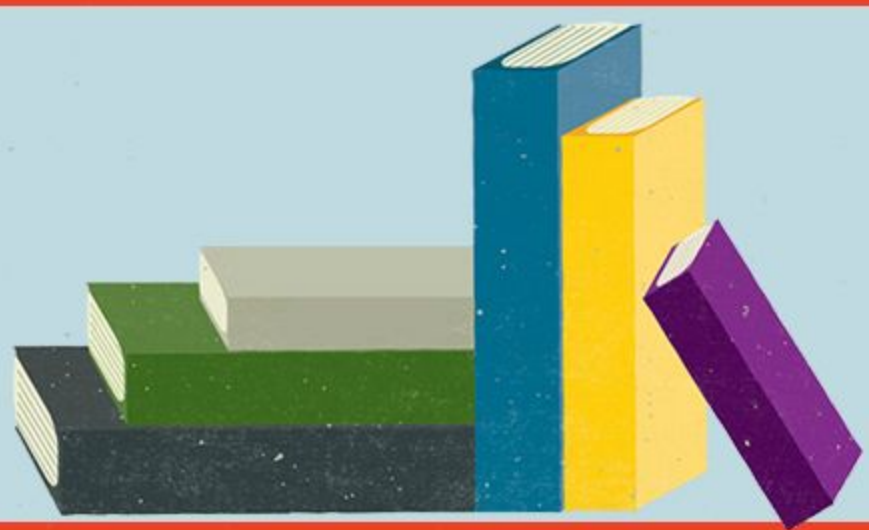
Ann Darby: "Old Maine Woman" & "Return of Old Maine Woman" by Glenna Johnson Smith

Richard Fortin: "Every Fifteen Minutes" by Lisa Scottoline & "Far from the Madding Crowd" directed by Thomas Vinterberg

Cindy Hinkley: "Birdology" by Monica Russo & "The Island of Dr. Libris" by Chris Grabenstein

Nancy Meservier: "Steelheart" by Brandon Sanderson & "Among Others" by Jo Walton

Katherine Webber: "Snow Like Ashes" by Sara Raasch & "Cinder" by Marissa Meyer



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# Literary Favorites

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NEW BOOK AT THE LIBRARY: Circling the Sun by Paula McLain

A full-throttle dive into the psyche and romantic attachments of Beryl Markham—whose 1936 solo flight across the Atlantic in a two-seater prop plane (carrying emergency fuel in the extra seat) transfixed the world. As conceived in this second historical by novelist McLain, Markham is the neglected daughter of an impecunious racehorse trainer who fails to make a go at farming in British East Africa and a feckless, squeamish mother who bolts back to England with their older son. Ernest Hemingway, who met Markham on safari two years before her Atlantic crossing, proclaimed her 1942 memoir *West with the Night* "bloody wonderful." Readers might even say the same of McLain's sparkling prose and sympathetic reimagining.



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# Debut Author Snapshot

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## NEW BOOK AT THE LIBRARY:

All That Followed by Gabriel Urza

A terrorist bombing in Madrid stirs up memories in a Basque town of a politician kidnapped and killed, an act that linked the political and the personal, in this thoughtful, ambitious debut. The American teacher Joni has been in the town of Muriga for more than 50 years when an al-Qaida cell's 2004 attack on Madrid's Atocha train station recalls a local episode of Basque separatist violence six years earlier, one of "these acts that erode the soul of a people." In chapters that

alternate among the voices of Joni; Mariana, the victim's wife; and Iker, one of the kidnappers, Urza illuminates the before and after of the abduction. Urza's fragmented, cinematic structure works well to let each member of the trio reveal a different segment of the town's populace and history.

The author's family is from Spain's Basque region, which helps explain why an American writer would venture into this fraught history, and Urza does so convincingly, revealing the human faces behind the masks of terrorism and its collateral damage.



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## Coming Soon in DVD

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Far from the Madding Crowd  
directed by Thomas Vinterberg

Insurgent directed by Robert Schwentke

Mad Max: Fury Road directed by George Miller

The Riot Club directed by Lone Scherfig

Unfriended directed by Levan Gabriadze

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## Book to Film

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### NEW DVD COMING SOON:

Far from the Madding Crowd directed by Thomas Vinterberg



Critics Consensus

Thomas Hardy's "Far from the Madding Crowd" was first published in 1874. Danish director Thomas Vinterberg returns to themes of innocence and answerability he first explored in his superb film "The Hunt," with an adaptation not touched in cinema since John Schlesinger's 1967 definitive adaptation. This is Vinterberg's first period drama, his third English-language film, and surprising new territory. The difficulty with adapting a book for film is that there isn't enough time to get to know our characters in the fullness of their original description. Vinterberg has successfully conveyed the complex characters to screen, and so in an industry saturated with low-grade period adaptations, his stands apart.



# Lakes Region Forum: Owen King



Owen King will speak at the library on Tuesday, September 22nd at 6:30pm. The event is part of the ongoing Winthrop Lakes Region Forum, and will take place in the Stephen and Tabitha King Event Room. King will discuss and read from his much acclaimed debut novel "Double Feature," which USA Today called "exceptional" and "smartly written."

King published the collection of short stories and novellas "We're All in This Together" in 2005, which Kirkus described as "powerful...great storytelling." His debut novel "Double Feature" is a coming-of-age story about a film-studies student, failed aspirations, and family. His short stories have appeared in Book Magazine and the Bellingham Review among others.

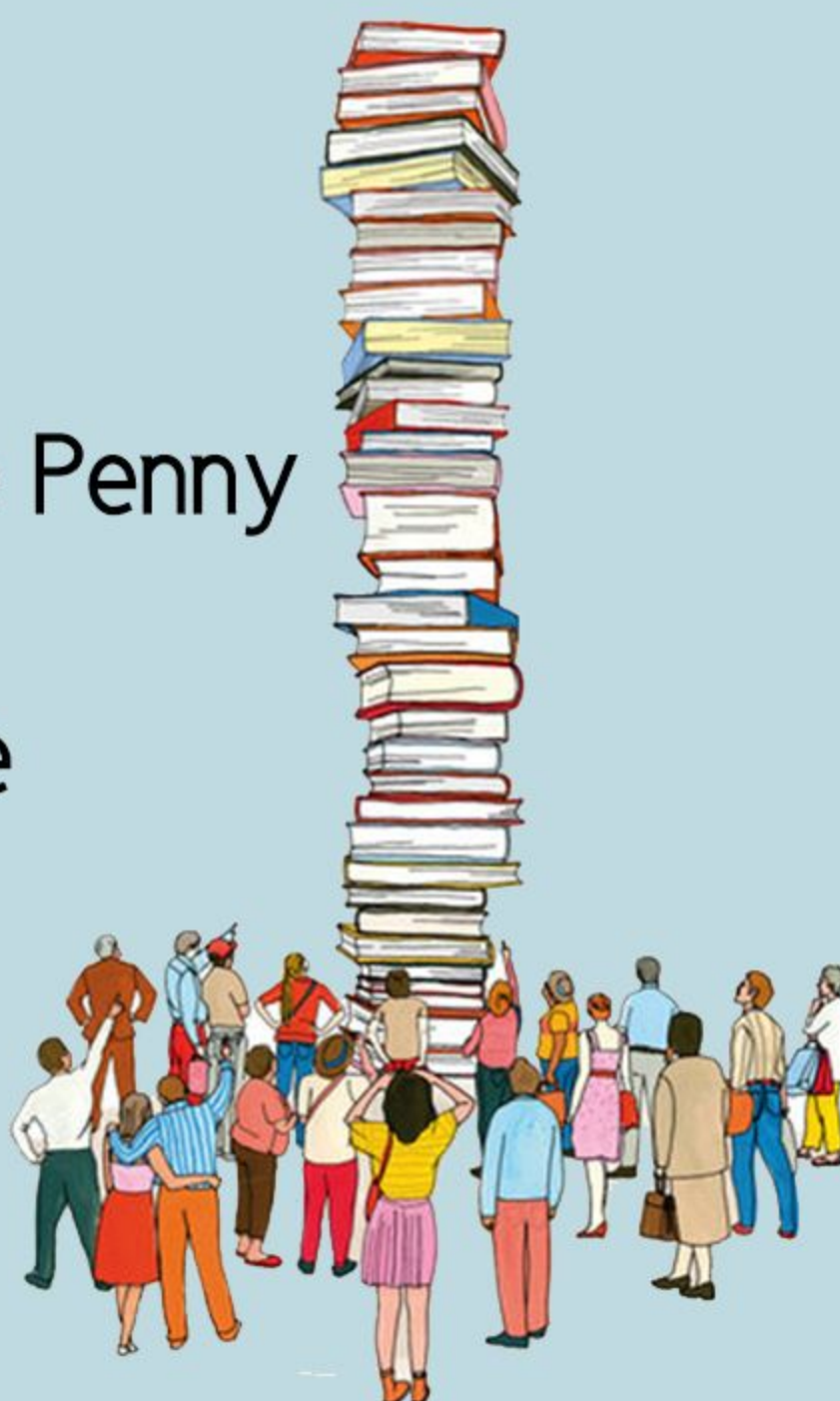
A graduate of Bangor High School and Vassar College, King holds a master's degree in Fine Arts from Columbia University. He has been nominated for a National Magazine Award, recognized in the acclaimed O. Henry Prize Stories series, and is a recipient of the John Gardner Award for Short Fiction. He currently resides in Brooklyn.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information call the library at 377-8673 or visit [www.baileylibrary.org](http://www.baileylibrary.org). Copies of "Double Feature" will be available for sale at the event through Barnes and Noble.

## Bailey's Most Wanted

### Last Month's Most Requested Items

1. The Prince of los Cocuyos by Richard Blanco
2. For All of Us, One Today by Richard Blanco
3. All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr
4. The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah
5. The Nature of the Beast by Louise Penny
6. X by Sue Grafton
7. Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee
8. The Precipice by Paul Doiron
9. Circling the Sun by Paula McLain
10. Alert by James Patterson



## Notable Coming Soon

- The Blue Guitar by John Banville  
The Heart Goes Last by Margaret Atwood  
Make Me by Lee Child  
Purity by Jonathan Franzen  
The Scam by Janet Evanovich  
Shadow Play by Iris Johansen  
Two Years Eight Months and Twenty-Eight Nights by Salman Rushdie

