### Monthly Update to Member Libraries ~ October 2023

#### **WVLS MAKERSPACE**

Items available in the WVLS <u>Makerspace</u> are currently undergoing assessment and evaluation. Some items will be removed due to relevance, low usage, or condition. If you have any suggestions of items to add, please let me know. Recent suggestions from member library staff include a <u>Cover One book repair machine</u> and an outreach booth event kit. What do you think of these ideas?

## **ADULT SERVICES**

# **CSLP Upcoming Slogans & Themes.**

- 2024: Adventure Begins at Your Library: La aventura comienza en tu biblioteca (Artist Juana Martinez-Neal); online manual access code is coming soon!
- 2025: Color Our World : Colorea nuestro mundo; (art)
- 2026: Unearth a Story (dinosaurs)
- 2027: Mystery/Detective/Suspense theme

CSLP is currently looking for volunteers for a variety of committees. If interested, review <u>committee descriptions</u>, as well as estimated time commitments, then fill out the <u>application</u>.

The <u>Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) Store</u> with 2024 *Adventure Begins at Your Library* merchandise opened on Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Wisconsin state-specific code is not needed to access the online store.

<u>Getting Started With BadgerLink Resources</u> offers key materials and documents to support you in accessing, sharing, and learning about BadgerLink resources.

#### **YOUTH SERVICES**

**September Starred Reviews.** (also attached as a PDF)

**CSLP Upcoming Slogans & Themes.** (See note under Adult Services)

**Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) Store.** (See note under Adult Services)

Children's Book Award Committee Wants YOU. Are you an adult who loves reading children's and teen books? Would you like to critically discuss excellent youth books with your peers? If so, apply for WLA's Children's Book Award Committee (CBAC)! The CBAC annually bestows the Burr/Worzalla Award and Notable Children's Author/Illustrator Award upon Wisconsin's best and brightest book creators. The CBAC is looking to fill 2 vacant committee seats starting in 2024. If you are interested, please contact YSS Chair Alison Loewen alison.loewen@meadpl.org Nominations are due by 11:59pm on Fri, October 13.

<u>Charlotte Zolotow Lecture</u>. Angeline Boulley will deliver the 2023 lecture on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. at Union South on the UW-Madison campus. Ms. Boulley, an enrolled member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, writes about her Ojibwe community in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Her highly regarded debut novel, <u>The Firekeeper's Daughter</u>, was a CCBC Choices title, a New York Times #1 Bestseller, and received many other accolades. Her new novel, <u>Warrior Girl Unearthed</u>, was released in May 2023. <u>Registration</u> is requested to facilitate seating and space needs although the lecture is free to attend.

**CCBC Starred Reviews Hands-On Examination.** Librarians and teachers are welcome to visit the CCBC November 13-16 (8:30am-7pm) and November 17 (8:30am-2pm) for hand-on book examination of 2023 books that have one or more stars in the following journals: *Booklist, Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books, Horn Book, Kirkus,* and *School Library Journal.* Books selected to-date for *CCBC Choices 2024* will also be on display. Please <u>RSVP</u> if you plan to go.

## **INCLUSIVE SERVICES**

WLA Inclusive Services SIG (special interest group) is currently accepting <u>nominations</u> for 2024 chair and secretary. Nominations are due by October 31.

If your library has not completed the <u>DPI's Inclusive Services Assessment and</u> <u>Guide</u>, here's a few simpler activities to work to incorporate at your library (or pat yourself on the back if they already exist!). Please reach out if you'd like more information on the assessment or to work through the assessment together.

- Does the library provide free wireless internet access?
- Are points of service easily identified?
- Is the book return accessible 24/7?
- Does the library avoid asking about gender on forms, or segregating activities based on gender?

#### **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

Training webinars and guides on <u>DPI's Workforce Development Resources</u> page have been updated and re-organized.

## **UPCOMING!**

11/30/23: WVLS Youth Services Workshop. TB Scott Free Library in Merrill.

12/7/23: CSLP Summer Symposium. FREE and virtual. More info to come!

**12/8/23:** Performers Showcase. Registration will open in October.