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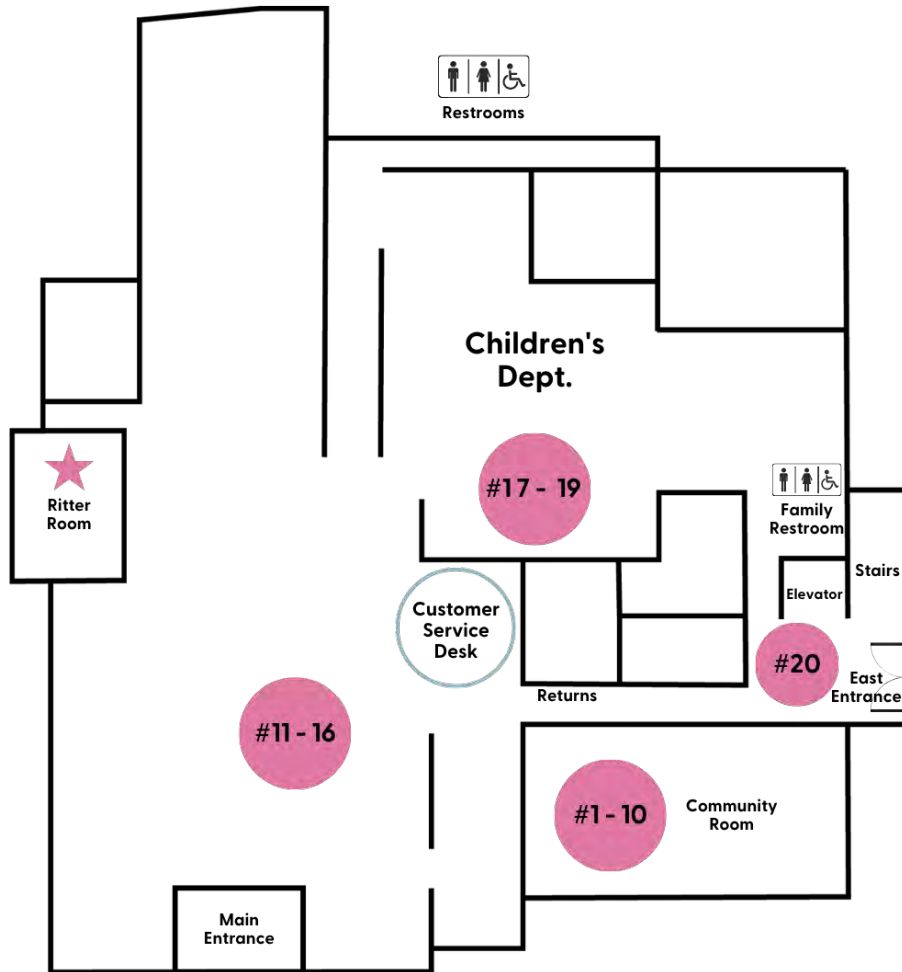


Saturday, August 30th, 2025



Ritter Public Library

Event Layout



Community Room

1. Susan Poole
2. Brenda Haas
3. Valtinen Erik Karille
4. Jamie McCann
5. DS Lang
6. Karina Bartow
7. Amanda Bryk
8. Mark Bogner
9. Nicholas Terra
10. Paul Hollis

The Commons

11. Dr. Charles Herdendorf
12. Linda Eyerman
13. Dennis Rush
14. Bette Lou Higgins
15. Vince Guerrieri
16. MT Bass

Children's Department

17. Michele Castleman
18. Lisa Kaplan
19. Stephen Schneider

East Entrance

20. Beth Overmyer

Reading Schedule

Author readings will be held in the Ritter Room.

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| 2:30 | Michele Castleman |
| 2:40 | Brenda Haas |
| 2:50 | Amanda Bryk |
| 3:00 | Linda Eyerman |
| 3:10 | Bette Lou Higgins |

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| 3:30 | Vince Guerrieri |
| 3:40 | DS Lang |
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| 4:00 | Dennis Rush |
| 4:10 | Paul Hollis |
| 4:20 | Nicholas Terra |
| 4:30 | Mark Bogner |

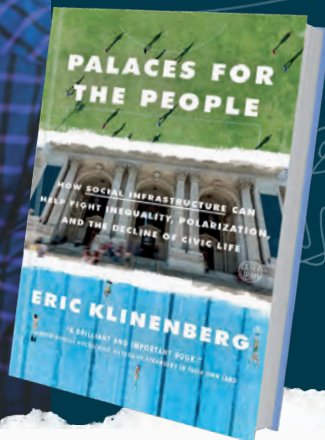
AUTHOR VISIT ERIC KLINENBERG

SEPTEMBER 25, 6PM-8PM

Elyria Performing Arts Center



AN EXPLORATION
ON HOW LIBRARIES, PARKS,
AND OTHER PUBLIC SPACES
HELP COMMUNITIES THRIVE,
ESPECIALLY IN THE
FACE OF CRISES.



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Authors (A - Z)



Karina Bartow

Undercover Baby Moon

Karina Bartow hails from Northern Ohio. Though born with Cerebral Palsy, she's never allowed her disability to define her. Rather, she's used her experiences to breathe life into characters who have physical limitations, but like her, are determined not to let them stand in the way of the life they want. She may only be able to type with one hand, but she writes with her whole heart!



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M.T. Bass

Racing the Dream: Fly Low, Fly Fast, Turn Left

M.T. Bass is a scribbler of fiction who holds fast to the notion that while victors may get to write history, novelists get to write/right reality. He lives, writes, flies and makes music in Mudcat Falls, USA.



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Mark Bogner

The Dreamweaver

Mark Bogner is a 50+ year old self published author in Ohio who also runs a small media company. He's a sci-fi nerd and loves telling stories. Mark's been around since the 1970s and has seen and heard a great number of stories that have influenced his writings. He also

has a strange knack for remembering some of the most useless knowledge that will invariably end up in one of his stories - and has been writing for over 2 decades.



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Amanda Bryk

Winner Takes All

Local author Amanda Bryk has a passion for writing and a mild obsession with all things romance. She treasures the feeling of falling in love and aims to share that with her readers.

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S. Morgan Burbank

Kotov Syndrome

S. Morgan Burbank (they/them) is a writer whose works focus on the topics of mental health, sexuality, love, and relationships, told through the lens of varying genres. Their debut novel, *Kotov Syndrome*, was the 2021 Queer Indie Awards winner for Best Dystopian Novel, while its much awaited sequel, *Woodpusher*, released in January 2024. They also write visual novels

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Michele Castleman

Stolen Hearts

Although originally from Michigan, Michele has made Tiffin, OH her home. She likes to imagine crimes and dark deeds that occur on the Lake Erie shore.

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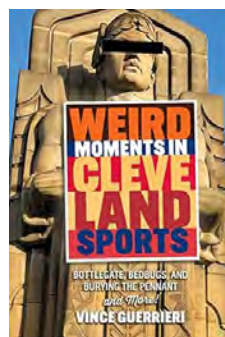


Linda Eyerman

Katerina's Second Chance

Linda Eyerman is the author of seven novels in the genre Relationship Fiction. She utilizes her lifetime of deep and meaningful relationships to add color and richness to her characters. The basic emotions of fear, grief, loneliness, anxiety, abandonment, bravery, discernment, and kindness are explored by the people in her novels. Walk with these folks as they solve and resolve intriguing situations and heartrending predicaments. Linda is a resident of Vermilion, Ohio.

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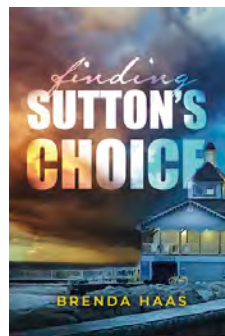


Vince Guerrieri

Weird Moments in Cleveland Sports

Vince Guerrieri is an award-winning journalist for the Elyria Chronicle-Telegram and Medina Gazette. His writing also appears regularly in various regional and national magazines and online publications. A native of Youngstown and graduate of Bowling Green State University, he is the author of three books on Ohio sports history.

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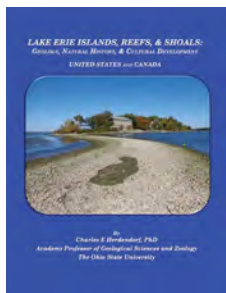


Brenda Haas

Finding Sutton's Choice

Brenda Haas, debut author of *Finding Sutton's Choice*, lives in Lakeside, Ohio, the Lake Erie resort setting for her women's fiction. Currently a magazine feature writer, Brenda spent many years as a reporter and columnist for a Pittsburgh press. Her writing has appeared in *Leisure Living Magazine*, *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, and *My Outer Banks Home* magazine, among other publications.

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Dr. Charles E. Herdendorf

Lake Erie Islands, Reefs, and Shoals: Geology, Natural History, & Cultural Development

“Dr. Herdendorf is Academy Professor of Geological Sciences, The Ohio State University. He authored *Science on a Deep-Ocean Shipwreck* [Ohio Journal of Science] and *Lake Erie & Lake St Clair Handbook* [Wayne State University Press]. He wrote Lake Erie Chapter in Ohioana Award Winning book *Ohio's Natural Heritage*. He serves as director of Sheffield Village Historical Society, publishing several books on history of the village, including *Bicentennial History of Sheffield*.



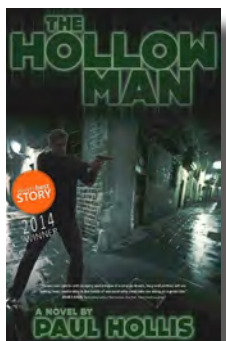
Bette Lou Higgins

Lost Restaurants of Downtown Cleveland

Bette Lou Higgins has an MEd from Cleveland State University and a BA from Baldwin-Wallace College. She is the artistic director and a founder of Eden Valley Enterprises, where she has been involved in researching, writing, producing and performing more than forty original productions. Specializing in historical programs, EVE's repertoire covers topics such as the Great

Depression, World War II, the Great Lakes and profiles of historic figures often neglected by mainstream media.

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Paul Hollis

The Hollow Man

Paul Hollis is an American author of fictional terrorism and espionage. His bestselling series, “The Hollow Man Series”, follows a U.S. government analyst and his partner in an odyssey of suspense across Europe. Paul Hollis is an American author of fictional terrorism and espionage. His bestselling series, “The Hollow Man Series”, follows a U.S. government analyst and his partner in an odyssey of suspense across Europe.

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LL Kaplan

Waldo: An Ohio Turkey Tale

Lisa uses her experience as a retired FBI Agent & former prosecutor to pen crime fiction where justice prevails, but doesn't always end in handcuffs. Two of her short mysteries were selected this year for publication. *The Hack Job* (Level Best Books) is due out in 2025 & *Chocolate Karma* (Duskbound Books) is due out in 2026.

Lisa is also working on two full-length mystery series set in Northern Ohio. Besides mysteries, she's written *Waldo, a Whimsical Turkey Tale* based on a true story.

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D.S. Lang

The Doomed Doctor (Doro Banyon Cozy Historical Mysteries Book 6)

D.S. Lang, a former teacher, tutor, mentor, and program manager, writes historical mysteries set in small-town Ohio during the Roaring Twenties. Her books are standalone whodunits with dashes of drama, humor, and romance. The amateur sleuths are intrepid young women who solve crimes with a colorful team of characters.

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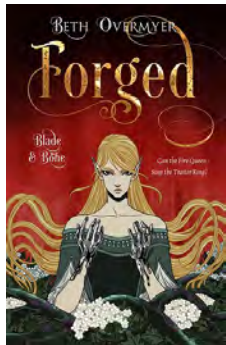


Jamie McCann

Twin Flame

"Fueled by coffee and chaos, I write dark, emotional romance where love is messy, haunted, and hard-won. A wife, mom, and full-time daydreamer, I live for stories that rise from ruin. *Twin Flame* was sparked by a psychic's words and born from fire. My books dive into darkness, chasing the kind of love that shatters, rebuilds, and never lets go."

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Beth Overmyer

Forged (Blade & Bone 3)

Beth Overmyer is the author of the *Blade & Bone* trilogy, a fantasy series published by Flame Tree Press. Beth has also published *The Goblets Immortal* trilogy with Flame Tree, and both trilogies are available from most online retailers that sell books.

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Susan Poole

Out of the Crash

Susan Poole enjoys delving into the moral gray area, developing a passion for exploring both sides of a situation while attending the University of Buffalo Law School. After leading a nonprofit agency for nearly a decade, a cancer diagnosis gave her the courage to finally pursue her dream of becoming a writer. She lives in Cleveland where she and her husband raised their three

kids. Her debut novel, *Out of the Crash*, won the 2023 Women's Fiction Writers Association Rising Star Award.

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Dennis Rush

What Are the Rich Doing Tonight?

Dennis Rush grew up on a remote tobacco farm in southern Kentucky. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha and has an MFA in Creative Writing from Goddard College. He lives in Berlin Heights, Ohio. He has two books of poetry, *What Are the Rich Doing Tonight?* and *MAYFIELD*, both published in 2022 by Dos Madres Press.

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S.A. Schneider

Transgression of Magic (Town Magician Series Book 2)

S.A. Schneider has a wolf - so of course he writes fantasy. From epic Lego battles to action figure showdowns, he's been building magical worlds since childhood. Now, he brings those worlds to life in adventurous middle grade fantasy books that spark creativity and curiosity.

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Nicholas Terra

Eugene's Summer Vacation

Nicholas Terra began writing stories and drawing comics since he was eight years old. During a college internship, he wrote a text-based adventure game that was rewritten into his first novel "*Lucky Shotz*". The idea for a spinoff, "*Eugene's Summer Vacation*", came about at the same time and was inspired by his family vacations to The Outer Banks. When he's

not writing, Nick is a freelance web designer.

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Writing with Joy

A Generative Workshop



Sunday, August 31st
2 PM

Free
Workshop

Develop the practice of listening to your writing voice.

The art of writing is a practice. Writer and publishing expert Brandi Larsen will share the Story Workshop Method, a way to generate creative writing that focuses on a joyful and playful way to take to the page.

A method designed for community and individual practice, please come prepared to write, play, and have fun. We'll sit in a semi-circle, work with word games and oral storytelling, and use paper and pen (or tablets and styluses) to write with exercises designed to free us to hear the stories we're trying to tell.



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Brandi Larsen is a writer, speaker, and strategist. Her work at Penguin Random House helped create NYT bestsellers and her journalism pieces earned Emmy nominations. Her talks about publishing, leadership, and purpose inspire audiences from Zoom to Harvard. She served as President Emeritus for Literary Cleveland and writes books, reviews, and essays. Brandi was the 2024 Writer in Residence at the William N. Skirball Writers' Center, Cuyahoga County Public Library and the co-writer of NYT-recommended *UNCULTURED: A Memoir*, from St. Martin's Press.



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