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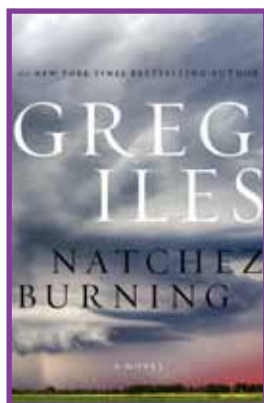
May/June 2014

## Greg Iles' new novel sizzles

Suspense, action, racial tensions, and a historical mystery turn up the heat in the new novel *Natchez Burning* by *New York Times* bestselling author Greg Iles.

Greg will talk about his work on Tuesday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Main Library downtown, 915 Monroe St. Admission is free.

*Natchez Burning* is the first installment in an epic trilogy that interweaves crimes, lies, and secrets past and present in a mesmerizing thriller featuring Southern lawyer and former prosecutor Penn Cage.



*Natchez Burning* is hot off the press, just released on April 29.

Greg is also the author of *The Devil's Punchbowl*, *Third Degree*, *True Evil*, *Turning Angel*, and more. Stephen King calls Greg's *Sleep No More* "a thriller that really thrills, a shocker that really shocks."



Novelist Greg Iles

For more information on Greg's appearance at the library, call Sophie Young at 256-532-2362.

## Main concerts move to Tuesday

Jazz! Blues! Big band tunes! We have all that and more in the Atrium of the Main Library downtown for spring and summer 2014. But this year the music plays on Tuesday, not Thursday, evenings.

The day of the week is the only change. The concerts still begin at 6 p.m., and they're still free.

Here's the lineup for Tuesday Evening Concerts @ the Library:



Microwave Dave

- April 29 – Twickenham Jazz & Swing
- May 13 – Rocket City Latin Band
- May 27 – Microwave Dave
- June 10 – Dancing with the Library Stars Round One, Moondust Big Band
- June 24 – Dancing with the Library Stars Round Two, Rocket City Jazz Orchestra
- July 8 – The African American Drummers
- July 22 – Celebration of Southern Music and Literature
- August 5 – Maple Hill Band
- August 19 – SlipJig

For details, visit the Reference desk on the second floor of the Main Library, or call 256-532-5975.

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# Book a summer vacation!



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# Friends' Foreword

By JAN KELLY  
Friends of the Library

The right book makes grown-ups happy!

*There is no frigate like a book  
To take us lands away ...  
How frugal is the chariot  
That bears a human soul!*

I've found no better words than Emily Dickinson's to express the longing to be taken away, – away from routine, from requirements and responsibilities.



Find great books for all ages in the Friends of the Library Bookstore.

Our library is rich with chariots in many forms to remove us from the ordinary. For kids, the Summer Reading program allows them to read what they want to read and for pure fun.

Adults may want to fill their beach bags with some new fare. Some recommendations would

## Friends Bookstore

Entrance of the Main  
Library downtown

Mon-Thurs Noon-6pm  
Friday Noon-4pm  
Saturday 10am-4pm  
Sunday 1-4:30pm



No matter the season, Friends of the Library board members have lots of good book recommendations.

include William Kuhn's *Mrs. Queen Takes the Train*, Sebastian Faulks' *Jeeves and the Wedding Belle* (Faulks has written a pure Wodehouse comic adventure with Bertie Wooster and Jeeves in a madcap plot); Markus Zusak's *The Book Thief*, Velma Wallis' *Two Old Women*, Alexander McCall Smith's *Tea Time for the Traditionally Built* (A No.1 Ladies Detective Agency novel, Book 10), and, not so new, Steve Martini's *The List*.

Or you may want to shop the Friends' Bookstore for Pamela Rafael Berkman's *Her Infinite Variety - Stories of Shakespeare & the Women He Loved*, Sinclair Lewis' *Cass Timberlake*, Elia Kazan's *The Under-Study*, Fern Michael's *The Guest List*, Annie Proulx's *That Old Ace in the Hole*, or John Updike's *Pigeon Feathers and Other Stories*.

Happy reading! Have a great trip!

April is gone, but you can still JOIN FRIENDS or RENEW your membership. Use the form on the next page of this publication or go online to [hmcpl.org](http://hmcpl.org) or pick up a membership form in the Friends' Bookstore. You don't want to miss THE BLOOMING BOOK SALE for Members Only on June 14!

PLAN AHEAD – BECOME A FRIEND – SAVE!

50% OFF EVERYTHING IN THE STORE on June 14, 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

[hmcpl.org](http://hmcpl.org)

# Black Maria has diverse film lineup

View a series of short films from the acclaimed Black Maria Film and Video Festival on Saturday, May 17, in the second-floor Events Room of the Main Library downtown. The films will be shown at 1 and 2:30 p.m.

Program 1 features “Every Day is a Holiday,” a 57-minute film by Chinese-American filmmaker Theresa Loong of New York. It won the Jury’s Stellar Award. Based on Loong’s father’s diary, her film tells about his life as a teenager and POW in a Japanese work camp during World War II and his journey to merchant seaman, Veterans Affairs doctor and naturalized citizen of the United States.

Program 2 offers a variety of shorts, including “A World of Difference,” an eight-minute Directors’



A still shot from the short film “A World of Difference”

Choice pick by Gerald Guthrie of Urbana, Ill. This enigmatic piece sets the stage for discovering truth and meaning by presenting unique machines that produce philosophical solutions on demand.

Find out more at [blackmariafilmfestival.org](http://blackmariafilmfestival.org).

## It’s easy to manage your Koha email

Koha’s got your messages:

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- No more forgetting what you’ve checked out. No more wondering about the status of hold requests. No more letting due dates slip up on you.

That’s a lot of good information – and, perhaps, a lot of emails in your inbox. Maybe too many.

There’s an easy fix if you’ve been inundated by emails from the library since we activated Koha,

our new online catalog system, on March 18.

You can set your own messaging preferences when you log in to your account. Just click on “your messaging” to update your settings.

Say you have five items due on the same day. Check the “Digests only?” box to receive only one email for all five items. You can also set the number of days in advance – one to 30 – when you’d like to receive a due-date notice.

If you want to pick your notices or eliminate them completely, you can set those preferences, too. Check the appropriate “Do not notify” boxes.

Koha is flexible enough to meet your needs.

## Join the Friends of the Library!

Use the membership form below and mail to  
Friends of the Library, P.O. Box 443, Huntsville, AL 35804.  
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As a member, I would like to  
volunteer in the bookstore.

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Explore your world.



**Meet the Artist:**

**Tatyana Hankinson**  
 May 4 • 2pm  
 Main Library  
 Local artist introduces her show “Jerusalem!” in Atrium Gallery. Light refreshments will be served. 256-532-2362.

**Book vs. Movie**

May 5 • Noon  
 Bailey Cove Library  
 Watch the movie “Girl with a Pearl Earring.” Discuss the book in June. 256-881-0257.

**My Favorite Hitchcock Film Is ...**

May 5, 12 & 19 • 6pm  
 Main Library  
 Library staff and friends introduce classics from the master of suspense: May 5, “Rear Window” (1954); May 12, “To Catch a Thief” (1955); May 19, “The Birds” (1963). 256-532-5975.

**Lunch and Love Romance Book Club**

May 6 • 11am  
 Monrovia Library  
 Discuss “The Back Up Plan” by Sheryl Woods. 256-489-3392.

**Zoo Time Puppet Show**

May 6 • 4pm  
 Eleanor E. Murphy Library  
 Interactive show with books, stories, songs, rhymes, lots of puppets, and a craft. 256-881-5620.

**Knitting Between the Lines**

May 8 • Noon  
 Bailey Cove Library  
 Discuss “Backseat Saints” by Joshi-lynn Jackson. 256-881-0257.

**Mother’s Day Craft**

May 10 • 1 - 3pm  
 Bessie K. Russell Library  
 Make a unique flower pot jewelry box; for ages 7 and older. Registration required, 256-859-9050.

**Write Right Lunch & Learn: Self-Publishing**

May 12 • Noon  
 Main Library  
 Bestselling author Linda Winstead Jones talks about the hurdles and possibilities of this growing trend. 256-532-5975.

**Health Forum: Hemorrhoids**

May 20 • 11am - Noon  
 Main Library  
 Dr. Jason Kinzel discusses the issues and treatments involved.

**How to Do Things: Basic Arduino Electronics**

May 20 • 6:30 - 8pm  
 Main Library  
 Electronics and robotics instructor Don Wilcher returns for a new workshop. Register in advance, \$3 fee, 256-532-2362.

**Family Tree Dot Art Paint Class**

May 24 • 10:30am  
 Bessie K. Russell Library  
 Create colorful trees using dots; for ages 5 and older. Registration required, 256-859-9050.

**Health Matters @ Madison**

May 30 • Noon  
 Madison Library  
 Huntsville Hospital’s Sandra Cross, RN, will talk about different types of breast cancer, self-exams, and early detection methods. 256-461-0046.



**Art in Your Library**

**Atrium Gallery:** See works by local artist Tatyana Hankinson through May in the Atrium of the Main Library.  
**Main Auditorium:** Works by Huntsville Art League artists are on view during public events in the Main Library auditorium.

**Book vs. Movie**

June 2 • Noon  
Bailey Cove Library  
Discuss the book "Girl with a Pearl Earring" by Tracy Chevalier. 256-881-0257.

**Lunch and Love Romance Book Club**

June 3 • 11am  
Monrovia Library  
Discuss "To Taste Temptation" by Elizabeth Hoyt. 256-489-3392.

**Helen P. Lee Memorial Fun Run**

June 7 • 8am  
Madison Library  
Summer Reading kickoff event with races, relays, Animal Tales at 10 a.m., and fun for the whole family.

**Nonprofit Lunch & Learn: Creative Fundraising**

June 9 • Noon  
Main Library  
Wendy Reeves of Wynsum Communications discusses creative ways to meet fundraising goals in a tight economy. 256-532-5975.

**Knitting Between the Lines**

June 12 • Noon  
Bailey Cove Library  
Discuss "The Weed That Strings the Hangman's Bag" by Alan Bradley.

**Writing Good Books That Sell**

June 15 • 2pm  
Main Library  
TOR/Forge editor Whitney Ross and *USA Today* bestselling author Kimberly Lang offer tips on how to strengthen your writing and get your book noticed. \$10 fee. Register in advance for critique. 256-532-2362.

**Showers of Jazz**

June 17 • 10am  
Showers Center Library  
Jazz program for senior citizens is part of the Tennessee Valley Jazz Society's annual Jazz-N-June festival. 256-851-7492.

**BLT Book Club**

June 17 • 11am  
Monrovia Library  
Discuss "The Voyage" by Philip Caputo. 256-489-3392.

**ABC's of Music:**

Jazz and Classical  
June 18 • 9:30 - 10:30am  
Showers Center Library  
Presented by the Tennessee Valley Jazz Society and Valley Conservatory as part of the Jazz-N-June festival. 256-851-7492.

**Spanish Table**

June 23 • 11am - Noon  
Main Library  
Bring a brown bag lunch, and we'll talk in Spanish on a variety of light topics. 256-532-2362.

**Adult Painting Class**

June 23 • 2 - 4pm  
Madison Library  
Paint on canvas. Register in advance, \$3 fee, 256-461-0046 or tallison@hmcpl.org.

**Health Forum: Osteoporosis**

June 24 • 11am - Noon  
Main Library  
Imogene Tilson of Huntsville Hospital's Behavioral Health Services explains causes and treatments.

Find more events at [hmcpl.org](http://hmcpl.org).

**Looking Ahead: Bargain Days**

Aug 2 • 9am - 3:30pm  
Main Library  
Expand your personal library at the 25-Cent Book Sale presented by the Friends of the Library in the auditorium. This sale is open to the public.







Connect. Create.

# Let off a little STEAM this summer

## Reading program offers scientific fun for all ages

We're taking a scientific approach to Summer Reading 2014.

Fizz, Boom, READ! encourages children to explore and discover the world inside them and all around them through stories, songs, games, puppets, and other activities that promote STEAM – Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics.



With Spark a Reaction, we'll gear up our teen readers for an encounter with The Imaginator. Adults can join the mix with Literary Elements.

Our partnering organization for 2014 is Huntsville Hospital, which offers programs that teach our youth how to keep their bodies happy and healthy. New programmers as well as favorite friends from years past are collaborating with our librarians. First-timers include local meteorologists, Mind-Gear Labs, Therapy Partners, the Bob Jones Ro-

botics Team, and Makers Local. Returning to the library are HudsonAlpha, Waymon Krugh, Alabama Youth Ballet, Earth Fare, Curt Cearley the Owl Guy, Animal Tales, and Huntsville Drumline.



Throughout the summer, we'll have animal programs, learn about genetics and inherited traits, enjoy the magic of science and math, eat healthy foods and learn how they help our bodies, and stimulate our brains with art programs.

Best of all, everything's free! Just pick up a Summer Reading packet, and grow your brain this summer. Visit [hmcpl.org](http://hmcpl.org) for more information as well as a list of kickoff parties at all 12 branches.



Mary Butler will talk about wine-themed mysteries at the launch of the Murder at Main Mystery Book Club on May 22 at the Wine Cellar.

## A toast: Murder at Main

Love a good murder mystery? We do, too. So, please join us when we launch our Murder at Main Mystery Book Club on Thursday, May 22, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Wine Cellar, 2304 Whitesburg Drive.

The Main Library will sponsor the club. Mary Butler of the Circulation Desk will facilitate.

For the launch party, Mary

will highlight mystery novels with wine themes and get input from patrons on how the club should proceed. When to meet? Where? Which authors to read?

Snacks will be provided by the library, and wine will be sold by the glass by the Wine Cellar.

Questions? Call 256-532-5984. Find out about our other library book clubs at [hmcpl.org](http://hmcpl.org).

## We have LEGOs, LEGOs, and more LEGOs!

The Tennessee Valley LEGO® Club returns to the auditorium of the Main Library downtown on June 21-22 for its Summer Extravaganza.

Expect the club's biggest local LEGO display yet. There will be a variety of activities, dozens of door prizes, and a play brick area for kids.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$5 each day. For more information, call 256-532-2362.



## In Memory:



Susan Adkins by C.D. and Janet Lee Brinkerhoff  
Susan Adkins by Ellen Flaherty  
Augusta Black by Marilyn Walker  
Mrs. Jean Mays Capowski by Mrs. Evelyn D. Hiers  
Barbara Chisler by The Husbands and Wives of the  
25 Club  
Dianne Kay Christ by Norm and Marilyn Walker  
Alan Lincoln Compton by Barbara Roberts  
Alan Lincoln Compton by Steve and Nancy Rohr  
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Pediatric Gastroenterology Associates  
Alton Doran Elliott, Jr. by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ed Bragg  
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Robert F. "Rory" Grugel by The Physicians and Staff of the  
Pediatric Gastroenterology Associates  
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George Robert Grumbles, Sr. by William and Elaine  
Durner  
George Robert Grumbles, Sr. by Sue, Chris and Dickie  
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Watson, Jr.  
Pat Passmore by Mary J. Conner  
Dieter Jurgen Schrader by Cutter and Mary Shepard  
Hughes  
Ms. Lu B. Sims by Joan McCollum  
James Smallwood by Tommy and Cathy O'Rear and  
Family  
Gaye Stricker by Frances H. Woodard

## In Honor:



Ms. Nancy Kweik by Glenn, Maria, and Madison Shelby  
Susanna Leberman by Margaret Anne Goldsmith



Library patrons read in the Young Adult section in comfortable chairs donated by Monica Couch in honor of her mother, Ann Fulmer, on Ann's retirement as a librarian in 2013. The table and rug are also part of the gift to the Main Library.

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LEGO Extravaganza @ Main  
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