



Programs & Events

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021

Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9 am-8 pm
Fri-Sat: 9 am-5 pm
Sun: Closed

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Quincy Reads

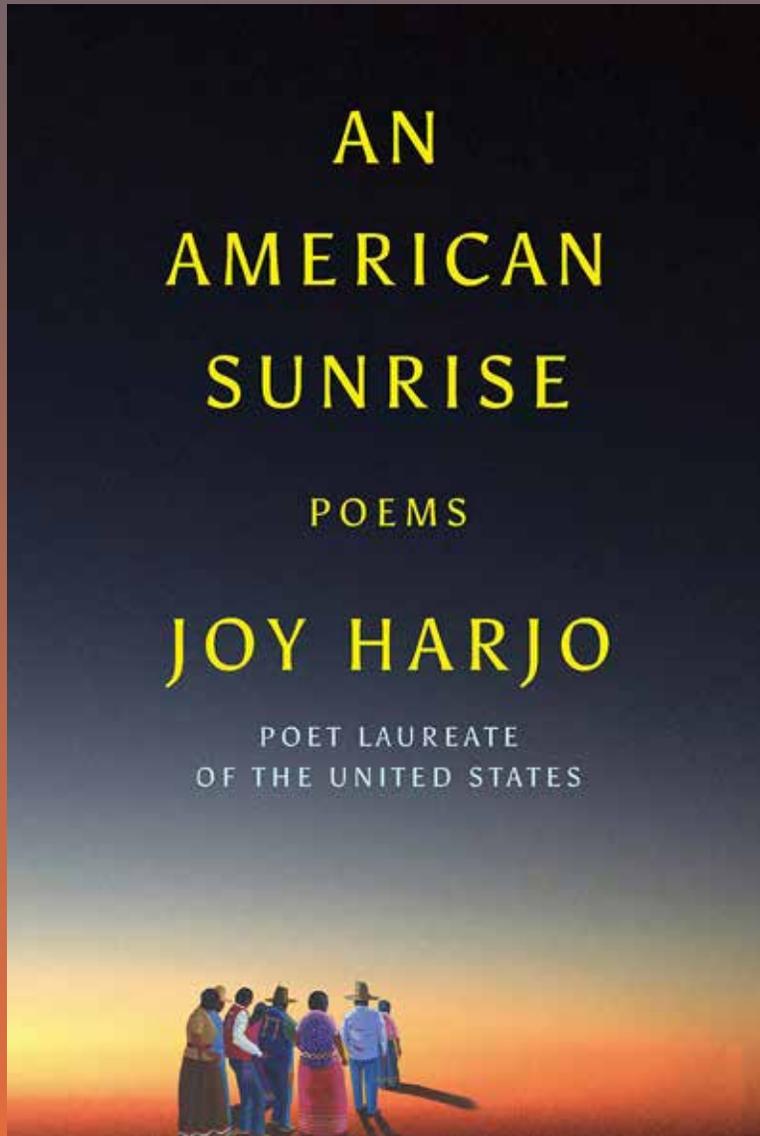
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AN AMERICAN SUNRISE

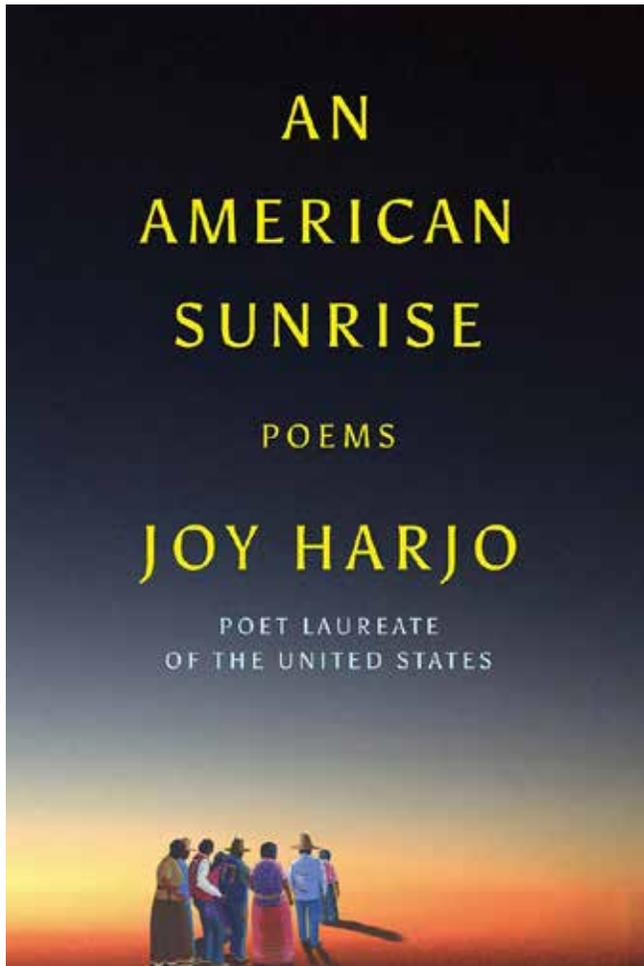
POEMS

JOY HARJO

POET LAUREATE
OF THE UNITED STATES



Quincy Reads 2021



the library has chosen “An American Sunrise” by US Poet Laureate Joy Harjo as the community read title.

In this stunning collection, Joy Harjo finds blessings in the abundance of her homeland and confronts the site where the Mvskoke people, including her ancestors, were forcibly displaced. From her memory of her mother’s death, to her beginnings in the Native rights movement, to the fresh road with her beloved, Harjo’s personal life intertwines with tribal histories to create a space for renewed beginnings.

Copies of the book will be available at kickoff and other activities in

September and October for patrons to add to their home library as long as supplies last. Library users will also have access to the ebook via the Libby app, where the book will be available for unlimited users to checkout.

A collaborative community reading event will come back to Quincy this fall. Quincy Public Library will be presenting Quincy Reads. The goal of Quincy Reads is simple; everyone in the community comes together to read the same book to inspire conversation and discovery. This year

Quincy Reads Kickoff Saturday, September 18

The month-long event will start with a kickoff on Saturday, September 18, from 10 am to noon at the library. This event is free and open to the public.

10 am Storytime Children’s Theater

For children and families, the library will offer a special storytime, as well as crafts and games highlighting themes of the book.

10:30 am Keynote Large Meeting Room

Standing Bear Council will present a keynote about the unique cultural and social traditions of Native American Nations in the area.



Look for the sun symbol for more Quincy Reads events!

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Explore the Arts in Quincy on September 18. In addition to Quincy Reads Kickoff, visit one of our partner organizations throughout the day!

8 am-1 pm: Quincy Farmers Market in Washington Park

10 am-5 pm: Walk-in painting at The Budding Artist

1-4 pm ArtFest! at the Quincy Art Center

1-5 pm Quincy Museum open to the public

4-6 pm Free behind-the-scenes tours of Quincy Community Theatre



Author Joy Harjo. Photo by Makita Wilbur.

National Library Card Sign-up Month

September is Library Card Sign-up Month! Quincy Public Library joins the American Library Association and libraries nationwide to remind parents, caregivers, and students that signing up for a library card is the first step toward academic achievement and lifelong learning. There is nothing more empowering than signing up for your own library card. Through access to technology, media resources, and educational programs, a library card gives students the tools to succeed in the classroom and provides people of all ages opportunities to pursue their dreams and passions.

Do you have friends who don't have library cards? Invite them to sign up during September.



Home Delivery & Senior Services

Quincy Public Library is pleased to expand its senior services in an effort to make the library more accessible for all. The library currently has openings in its Home Delivery Program. This program is open to any Quincy resident who cannot visit the library due to a temporary or permanent disability. The library will deliver books, DVDs, CDs, and books on CD.

QPL has also expanded its collection to include items targeted at adults with Alzheimer's and dementia. The library has added four Reminisce Kits to its collection.

The 1950s Kit includes a slinky, paper dolls, baseball cards, music of the time, and photos. These objects and photos can be memory aids to remember their past. Other kits include a Handyman Kit, Homemakers Kit, and a 1960s Kit. The library also offers books targeted towards those with dementia that include vibrant pictures to provide a sensory experience. The library has also added several hi-lo books to its collection. These books are titles targeted at adults with lower reading levels. For more information on these services and more, visit quincylibrary.org or call 217-223-1309 ext 504.

School Delivery & Student Ecards

Quincy Public Library will partner with Quincy teachers to provide School Delivery Service again this year. Any teacher in a Quincy public, parochial/private, pre-school, or registered homeschool is eligible to receive this service.

The service includes selecting, delivering, and picking up requested level-appropriate and curriculum-based books or multimedia items. Teachers may come to the library to select materials, or our School Delivery Specialist may do it for you. Teachers also receive



extended loan periods with our teacher card.

The library also provides digital ecards to every student enrolled in the Quincy Public School District #172. These cards grant access to any digital service at QPL, including databases, ebooks, and streaming services. These cards will be given to students through their teachers.

For more information on these services, please contact our School Delivery Specialist, Sean Waters at swaters@quincylibrary.org or at 217-223-1309 ext. 222.

InkTober

Join us for a month of creative and spooky drawing activities in October! Quincy Public Library is partnering with The Quincy Art Center to present InkTober! Each Friday, beginning October 1, we will release a week-long set of drawing prompts to encourage creativity and community exploration for all ages! Prompts can be found on the Library's social media pages or will be available at the Reference Desk.

Everyone who completes all the prompts throughout the month will be entered to win a \$50 Gift Certificate to take classes or workshops at the Quincy Art Center. Winners will not be selected based on skill level. All skill levels are encouraged to participate. Pre-registration is encouraged and can be done online at quincylibrary.org or quincyartcenter.org or in-person at Quincy Public Library. Participants will do weekly sketch check-ins at either location, or they can check in all their drawings

at the end of InkTober.

Need supplies? Quincy Public Library is hosting a Sketchbook/ Journal Making Workshop on Wednesday, September 29, at 6 pm. This program is free and open to the public. Scratch paper and pencils are also available each week at the Reference Desk. The Art Center will host a Sketchbook Making Workshop on Wednesday, October 13, at 6 pm. The cost for the workshop is \$9 (\$4 for Art Center Members).

We want to see what you've made! Share your artwork with us on social media and tag @quincyartcenter and @quincylibrary. We may even share your creation!



Pumpkin Decorating Contest



Quincy Public Library is hosting a Book Character Pumpkin Decorating Contest! *There are two ways to enter:*

Decorate a pumpkin (or gourd) as a book character or literary theme and drop it off at the Children's Desk between October 20-23.

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Visit QPL on Saturday, October 23 at 10 am for our Pumpkin Decorating Program! The library will provide pumpkins (while supplies last), paint, paintbrushes, and other materials, or you are welcome to bring your own.

All pumpkins will be posted to the library's Facebook page, where followers will be able to "like" each picture

to vote on their favorites. The winners will receive a \$25 Chamber Bucks gift certificate that can be used at any participating Quincy Area Chamber Member business that accepts them.

Contest Rules:

- The library cannot accept carved pumpkin submissions. Only painted and/or decorated whole pumpkin submissions may be entered into the contest.
- Contest submissions may be dropped off at the library between Wednesday, October 20 at 9 am and Saturday, October 23 at 5 pm.
- All contest submissions must be accompanied by a Book Character Pumpkin Decorating Contest Entry Form, available at the Children's Desk.
- One winner will be chosen from each of the following age categories: young kids (ages 7 and under), tween (ages 8-12), teens (ages 13-17), and adults (ages 18 and up).
- All pumpkins must be picked up by noon on Saturday, October 30. Pumpkins that are not picked up by this time will be disposed of.

Please contact Children's Event Specialist Natascha Will, (217) 223-1309 ext. 224 for more information.

Children's Programs

Marionette Shows

Puppet shows are targeted at children of all ages. All Marionette Shows are held in the Children's Theater.

Little Red Riding Hood

Tuesday, Sept. 7 at 10 am

Saturday, Sept. 11 at 10 am

See happens when Little Red Riding Hood meets a curious wolf on her journey to her Grandmother's house.

The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything

Monday, Oct. 4 at 6 pm

Tuesday, Oct. 5 at 10 am

Saturday, Oct. 9 at 10 am

While walking in the woods, a little old lady hears lots of strange noises; does she get afraid?

Monday Funday

Mondays at 6 pm, Children's Theater

This weekly program is designed for children ages 3-6 years old, but all are welcome to attend.

Sept. 13: Play Date

Sept. 20: Process Art - A Color of His Own

Sept. 27: Dance Party

Oct. 11: Play Date

Oct. 18: Process Art - Jeremy Draws a Monster

Oct. 25: Dance Party

Storytime

Tuesdays at 10 am, Children's Theater

Introduce your child to the excitement of live storytelling at our storytime. Storytime incorporates thematic books, music, and more during 45-minute sessions. This program is designed for children ages 18 months to 5 years old.

Babytime

Thursdays at 10 am, Children's Theater

Baby Time is a lap-sit storytime for babies (birth-18 months) and their parents/caregivers, including books, rhymes, and songs.

Tween Scene

Thursdays at 3:30 pm, Children's Theater

This weekly program is designed for children ages 9-12 years old. There will be games, crafts, and Nintendo Switch. Tweens can hang out or work on homework.

Friends & Family Time

Thursdays at 6 pm, Children's Theater

This program is designed for children ages 6-9 and families to do activities together.

Sept. 2: Game Night!

Sept. 9: STEM Fun - Marble Maze & Runs

Sept. 16: Create - Monet Water Lily Pond

Sept 23: Move It! - Balloon Movement Activities

Sept. 30: Game Night!

Oct. 7: STEM Fun - Build with Candy Pumpkins

Oct. 14: Create - Halloween Silhouette Art

Oct. 21: Move It! - Generation Pound

Oct. 28: Game Night!



Creativity Corner

Saturday, Sept. 4 and Oct. 2

9:30-11:30 am, Children's Theater

Creativity Corner is a drop-in family program focused on creating art. We will have coloring sheets for all ages and abilities. Books and supplies to create your own Art Journal (turning an old book into a work of art by creating art in the book) will also be available! Art supplies are provided.

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Children's Programs

Super Saturday Storytime

Saturday, Sept. 25 at 10 am, Children's Theater

Join us at Super Saturdays for books, music, and more during the 45-minute session. This program is targeted at ages 18 months to 5 years old, but all are welcome to attend.

Jack-o-Lantern Jamboree

Friday, Oct. 29 at 10 am, Children's Theater

The little monsters, princesses, superheroes, and pumpkins are invited to play pretend with Halloween songs, stories, and more before going trick-or-treating around the library with Leo the Library Lion! This program is targeted at children ages 3-9 years old, but all are welcomed to attend.

Children's Digital Programs

Look for our digital programs posted on the library's Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube pages.

I Spy Bottles

Wednesday, Sept. 8

Join us to create an I Spy bottle at home! The supplies you will need for this experiment are: water bottle with lid, rice, small objects that will fit through the opening of the water bottle (and one penny), funnel, yarn, and hot glue gun/gun.

Dancing Corn Experiment

Tuesday, Oct. 12

Try a fun chemistry experiment you can do at home! The supplies you will need for this experiment are: tall jar or glass, 1/8-1/4 cup of popping corn kernels, 2 tablespoons baking soda, 1 cup of vinegar, and 2 cups of water.

Teen Programs

Teen Thursdays Afterschool Program

Thursdays at 2:30 pm, Large Meeting Room

Teens can take some time out to relax, gather with friends, or play games. Nintendo Switch, Jackbox Games, and board games are set up and ready to play.

Teen Advisory Board

Thursday, Sept. 9 & Oct. 14 at 2:30 pm,

Large Meeting Room

On the second Thursday of every month, our Teen Advisory Board meets and accepts new members to discuss volunteer opportunities, plan teen events, and suggest additions to the YA collection.

Teens Create

Tuesday, Sept. 7 & Oct. 5 at 2:30 pm,

Large Meeting Room

On the first Tuesday of every month, teens are invited to the library for guided creative writing and drawing! Additionally, there will be a self-guided craft set up. The September craft is clay charms and key chains. The October craft is a vampire corner bookmark.



Found Poetry Workshop

Tuesday, Oct. 12 at 2:30 pm,

Large Meeting Room

Found poetry is a type of poetry created by taking words, phrases, and sometimes whole passages from other sources and reframing them by making changes in spacing and lines, or by adding or deleting text, thus imparting new meaning. This will be an opportunity to take a closer look at Joy Harjo's words and finding different personal meaning within them.

Teen Digital Programs

Look for our digital programs posted on the library's Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube pages.

Resume Building

Tuesday, Sept. 14

Learn how to build a resume with minimal work experience!

Cover Letters

Tuesday, Oct. 12

Learn how to write a professional cover letter with minimal experience in this video how-to!

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Family Programs

Pumpkin Decorating

Saturday, Oct. 23 at 10 am, Children's Theater

Create a pumpkin for the Book Character Pumpkin Decorating Contest. Participants may decorate a pumpkin or gourd at home to enter the contest or decorate a pumpkin during our Pumpkin Painting Party on Saturday, Oct. 23. The library will provide pumpkins, paint, and paintbrushes, or you are welcome to bring your own.

Halloweentown Movie & Craft

Saturday, Oct. 30 at 2 pm, Large Meeting Room

Enjoy everyone's favorite 90's Disney Channel Original Movie: Halloweentown! QPL will also have snacks and a special Halloween-themed craft. Make mini ping pong Jack O'Lanterns.

Adult Programs

These programs are intended for teens and adults, but all are welcome to attend.

Handicraft & How-To

**Saturday, Sept. 4 & Oct. 2 at 2 pm,
Large Meeting Room**

Join crafters, makers, and hobbyists from Quincy community organizations to learn about arm and finger knitting, card-making, woodworking, embroidery, and more!

Game Night!

**Tuesday, Sept. 7 & Oct. 5 at 5:30 pm,
Small Conference Room**

Drop-in to play tabletop, RPGs, and board games on the first Tuesday of each month. A variety of games will be provided, or you may bring your own.

Unearthing Your Family Tree

**Monday, Sept. 20 at 5:30 pm,
Large Meeting Room**

Join us and learn about library resources that can help you start your family tree research. We will explore the historical material in the Illinois Room, and the online resources library users can access for free with the library card.



Kim Sigafus McIver. Photo by Bill Delp Studio.



Indigenous Oral Traditions

**Tuesday, Sept. 21 at 6 pm,
Large Meeting Room**

Internationally published, award-winning Ojibwa author and speaker Kim Sigafus McIver will present a program on the Native people who once called Illinois their home. Her presentation will include oral traditions and history. Everyone will get the chance to learn some

Native language, and there will be a Q and A following the program.



An American Sunrise Open Discussion

Saturday, Sept. 25 at 3 pm & Wednesday, Oct. 13 at 6 pm, Small Conference Room

Be part of Quincy Reads at this open discussion of Joy Harjo's poems in "An American Sunrise." The following poems will be featured: Exile of Memory (pg 6-19), An American Sunrise (pg 105), Washing my Mother's Body (pg 30-33), How to Write a Poem in a Time of War (pg 47-50), For Earth's Grandsons, (pg 56), Bourbon and Blues (pg 61-62), My Man's Feet (pg 70-71), I Wonder What You are Thinking (pg 72-75), and Redbird Love (pg 84-85).

Adult Programs

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Monday Movies

All movies are shown in the Large Meeting Room. Patrons are encouraged to bring their own snacks and beverages (no alcohol).

Lakota Woman: Siege at Wounded Knee **Monday, Sept. 27 at 5:30 pm**

The true story of a Native American (Irene Bedard) who meets an activist (Pato Hoffmann) and joins him in a fight to reclaim a plot of sacred land. Not Rated, 1994, 100 minutes

Gather **Monday, Oct. 11 at 5:30 pm**

Gather follows the stories of natives on the frontlines of a growing movement to reconnect with spiritual and cultural identities that were devastated by genocide. Documentary, 75 minutes, not rated. This screening is made possible by Kanopy Public Performance Rights.

Sketchbook & Journal Making Workshop

Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 6 pm,
Large Meeting Room

Create a sketchbook or journal to record brilliant thoughts, genius drawings, or your calendar and grocery list! Select page colors and cover designs to suit your needs. Instructions and supplies will be provided.

“Look in Thy Heart & Write”: Poetry and Song, Then and Now

Thursday, Sept. 30 at 6 pm,
Large Meeting Room

Although the modern world considers poetry and music separate art forms, they emerged from the same literary tradition: lyric. This talk will provide a brief history of the relationship between poetry and music through the lens of lyric, moving from Ancient Greece to the English Renaissance to modern American and Native American poets and musicians. We will consider the relationship between poetry and music today through such modern musicians as Bob Dylan and Tupac Shakur.

Creating Meaningful Family Traditions

Monday, Oct. 4 at 5:30 pm, Large Meeting Room
Listen to Nakita Hughes from Cornerstone describe the social and cultural importance of rituals and traditions in our lives. Explore what these rituals might look like in your own family or friend group: fellowship, recognition, the passage of time, personal achievements, or for closure of a time in our lives that is past.

Native Americans in Adams County **Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 5:30 pm,**

Large Meeting Room
Travel 200 years into the past to learn about the Native American cultures in this region with the Quincy Museum. The Quincy Museum houses artifacts and exhibits from pieces uncovered in Indian Mounds and other local sites. Items from their permanent collection will be on display during the discussion.

Faces of the Second World War

Saturday, Oct. 9 at 2 pm, Large Meeting Room
The Second World War was the largest, most costly (in lives, finances, and geographic scope) single event in human history. What was it like to live through a war of that magnitude? Dr. Wendell Mauter, QU History Professor Emeritus, explores the perspectives of those affected by the war and their unique experiences in this series. These presentations will be on the second Saturdays at 2 pm through the fall and winter months. October's discussion will be about the combat soldier experience.

NaNoWriMo at the Quincy Museum

Monday, Oct. 25 at 6 pm, Quincy Museum
Join us for an evening tour of the Quincy Museum. Learn about the history of the museum and its permanent collections and rotating exhibits. Following the tour, participants are invited to choose a space in the museum and write a description or story about it. This is a pre-National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) activity.

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All library programs are free and open to the public, however reservations are requested. To register, please visit quincylibrary.org/events or call 217-223-1309.

Book Clubs



Bookies

Sept. 1: *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig

Oct. 6: *An American Sunrise* by Joy Harjo

This group offers a traditional book discussion atmosphere meeting the first Wednesday at 1:30 pm in the Small Conference Room.

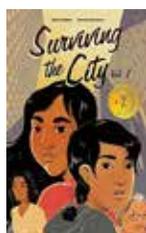


Renaissance Readers

Sept. 14: *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding

Oct. 12: *An American Sunrise* by Joy Harjo

The Renaissance Readers discuss a variety of books with an intellectual view. They meet on the second Tuesday at 10 am in the Small Conference Room.

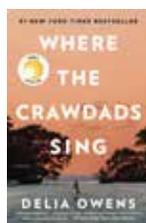


YA for All Ages

Sept. 28: *Surviving the City* by Tasha Spillett-Sumner

Oct. 26: *Elastoe* by Darcie Little Badger

YA Book Club for All Ages is a group inviting community members of all ages to discuss a different YA novel each month.



Unshelved

Sept. 8: *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens

Oct. 14: *An American Sunrise* by Joy Harjo

This lighthearted group enjoys a wide variety of books. They meet on the second Wednesday at 1 pm in the Small Conference Room.



All Over the Page

Sept. 21: *An American Sunrise* by Joy Harjo at Native Grill and Wings

Oct. 19: *The Everything Box* by Richard Kadrey at Mi Jalapeno

Known for wild book choices, this group meets the third Tuesday at 7 pm at a local restaurant.

Discussion Groups & Help

Socrates Cafe

Sept. 10: Voting Rights

Oct. 8: How technology changes society

Everyone is a philosopher, and everyone is welcome to exchange thoughtful ideas and experiences. Socrates Cafe meets at 10 am the second Friday of each month in the QPL Large Meeting Room.

Candid Conversations

Sept. 25: Filibuster

Oct. 16: TBA

Candid Conversations is designed for open, honest, respectful discussion among participants. Each meeting begins with a short video. The group meets on the third Saturday of each month at 10 am in the QPL Large Meeting Room.

Genealogy Help

Tuesdays at 9 am-noon

QPL has many resources for genealogists, including local history material in the Illinois Room and digital resources. The Great River Genealogical Society will assist you with your research every Tuesday from 9 am to noon in the Illinois Room.

Tech Tutor

By Appointment

Are you baffled by technology? Book a free, private tutoring session to get help with your questions so that you can get your work done. During your reserved appointment time, QPL staff members can help you learn or improve the digital skills. Call 217-223-1309 ext. 502 to set up an appointment.

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Secondhand Prose Anniversary & Book Sale

Secondhand Prose, the gently used bookstore at the library, will celebrate its tenth anniversary in October. The store is operated by the Friends of the Library. Secondhand Prose sells gently used donated books at low prices to raise the Quincy Public Library funds. Funds are used to supplement the Library budget and for special unbudgeted projects. Over \$313,000 has been raised to support renovations, technology, equipment, and programs and events. Store hours are from 10 am to 7 pm on Tuesdays, and 10 am to 4 pm, Wednesday-Saturday. During October, weekly specials will be announced, and customers will be entered into drawings for a gift basket and gift cards. Loyalty cards will also be available.

The Friends will also be hosting their annual fall book sale

October 21-23 in the Large Meeting Room at the library. The sale will be from 9:30 am to 7:30 pm on Thursday and from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm on Friday and Saturday. Books are sold at the clearance price of fifty cents an inch at the sale.



Anyone interested in volunteering as a Friend of the Library, donating books, or just browsing for bargains, is welcome at the sale and any time the store is open.

Quincy Area Architecture Database

The library is pleased to announce a new architecture resource. Browse and search Quincy Public Library's robust collection of digitized historical documents and photos on buildings in Quincy and Adams County in the Quincy Area Architecture Database. The database is on the library's website at quincylibrary.org/research. The Architecture Database is organized by address but can

be searched by keyword. It is available from anywhere; no library card is required. The database was made possible thanks to a generous donation from George Irwin.

If you would like to contribute documents to this database, please contact our reference department at reference@quincylibrary.org or 217-223-1309 ext 502.

Additional Services

Downloads & Streaming

Take the Library with you anywhere 24/7 with our download and streaming services. Visit quincylibrary.org/ebooks to get started. Log in with your library card and start browsing! Kanopy has updated its available content by adding 250+ partners and 1600+ new titles. A few of the major new partners include Lionsgate, Jim Hensen Company, Warners Bros, and MGM studios, adding hundreds of hours of new content from these major movie studios. Visit Kanopy today and see all of the new titles available, with content refreshing monthly.

Wifi

Public wifi is available at QPL. The wireless password is **qplibrary**.

Grab & Go Hold Lockers

QPL offers hold lockers so you can pick up your items when and where it's convenient for you. Lockers are located outside the Library, at County Market (48th & Broadway), Lincoln-Douglas School, and Iles School. Call us at 217-223-1309 to request your item and pick-up location or select your pick-up location when you place a hold online.

Call for Testimonials

Quincy Public Library is working on a special project, and we want to hear from you! We want to hear your memories about our Bookmobile. Email your testimonial to Burgundy at bhill@quincylibrary.org.

QPL will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2021 for Labor Day.