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Central Library Renovation Wins Award

National Friends of Libraries Week is Oct. 16th—22nd.

Thank **YOU** for being a Friend!



The 2022 Library Design Showcase, <u>American Libraries</u>' annual celebration of new and renovated libraries, featured pictures of our renovated Central Library's interior, shown to the right. The new exterior design, with its newly added windows, is show below.







If you are interested in the original Marcel Breuer library building and it's progression toward the new version, you should find these old newspaper articles informative: touring old building, during renovation.

Save the Date!

Please join Central Library as they host author **Mary Kay Andrews** on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, for a special talk entitled, "The Fine Art of Reinvention: One Woman's Journey." It will be followed by a live Q & A with the author and book signing. The event will take place from 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM, in the auditorium, lower level. Click here for more information and registration.



Meet New Roswell Staff Member Cameron Hannon



Cameron Hannon is the new Adult Services Librarian at Roswell. Originally from Chesapeake, Virginia, he is a new resident of the area. A recent graduate of Florida State, he concentrated on technical services and web development in the library environment. When not at the library, Cameron enjoys hiking, reading, swimming and biking.

Cameron is also taking over as the Volunteer Liaison for any official business with the library. He would like us to feel free to contact him with questions, comments or concerns about anything library-related and to cc the library manager (currently Todd) on any important messages, as well.

He's heard that Roswell has a large and generous Friend community and that the extra resources provided by the Friends will make a difference in the resources available for programming and for the collection. He's looking forward to meeting patrons and Friends and becoming an asset to the library and the community.

Letter from the President

Summer reading went really well, thanks to the extra effort from our greatly over-worked library staff. Fortunately, they will now be getting some additional help from Cameron Hannon, our enthusiastic new Adult Services Librarian. Please welcome him when you come in.

With the start of the cooler weather and the candidates' signs around town, we know that elections are not far away. Although the Friends would like to be able to have sales on a predictable schedule, early voting often modifies our plan. Please watch FORL and your email for news of upcoming sales. And YES, please continue to donate books. We are SO appreciative of the opportunity to support the library due to the profits from the sales that you make possible by your donations. And YES, please vote.



This is the time of the year when our book club members have to select titles for the 2023 reading season. Please have a say in what's chosen for your club's next year by making your choices known.

This September, the Georgia Ensemble Theater (GET), the next-door neighbor of the Roswell Library, produced the play *The Alabama Story*. The drama is inspired by true events that occurred in Montgomery in 1959 and was described as "Political foes, starcrossed childhood friends, and one feisty state librarian taking the stage for a uniquely poetic love-letter to reading." I hope you were fortunate enough to have seen this well-done and timely show (running over Banned Books week, btw) and discouraged, as I was, to see the theatre only half-full. In view of that, If you want to support the Arts and Humanities in town and want to continue to have live theatre available, check out the four plays in the upcoming GET season and consider subscribing.

Nancy Puckett

In support of National Arts & Humanities Month and Roswell Youth Day on Oct. 8, the Friends sponsored a booth on the grounds of the Cultural Arts Center. Over 100 children colored their own book marks and selected a book to take home, courtesy of the Friends.





News and Notables

- ♦ The August book sale netted \$2,792 and the Sept/Oct. sale, \$2,600. A sincere thank you to all the people who assisted with set-up, sales, and break-down—and to those of you who purchased books!
- ♦ FORL spent \$3,093 on the Summer Reading program. The grand prize of a family pass to the Aquarium (\$295) was won by a student whose family already had a pass. It was easy to add extra time to theirs.
- ♦ <u>Anywhere You Run</u>, the mystery-thriller by the next Atlanta Author, Wanda Morris (see above), takes place in Atlanta with lots of interesting local references.
- Roswell Reads has scheduled a virtual book discussion of <u>All Her Little Secrets</u>, Wanda Morris' previous book, on Tuesday, Nov. 8th at either 2p.m. or 7p.m. More information about literary events including her previous book, <u>All Her Little Secrets</u> can be found <u>here</u>.
- Book store donations are generous and always appreciated. If you are considering a donation, please visit our web page (<u>forl.net/bookstore</u>) for information that will make your donation easier.
- ♦ Want to know when our next book sale will be? Check <u>FORL.net</u>. The sale will be posted on the home page.
- October is Health Literacy Month. Visit <u>MyHealthfinder</u> for information from the government to help you and your family stay healthy.