



# Monday Morning Eye-Opener January 27, 2020

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## **Summer Library Workshops**

### **In-Person February and March**

Join fellow librarians at one-of-six interactive sessions across the state to discuss the *Imagine Your Story 2020 Summer Library Program.* This four-hour workshop will give you plenty of ideas to get started planning your 2020 summer program.

Half the session will be lecture-style format, spotlighting ideas and best practices. The second half will be hands-on small group work where you are encouraged to share your successes and challenges.

Participants will leave ready to make 2020 their newest, freshest, and best summer ever!

#### Locations and Dates Statewide—Time 12:30-4:30 Each Day

- February 17 (Monday) @ Avoca
- February 18 (Tuesday) @ Orange City

- February 19 (Wednesday) @ Clear Lake
- March 4 (Wednesday) @ Spillville
- March 9 (Monday) @ Johnston
- March 10 (Tuesday) @ North Liberty

Register for an SLP Workshop Near You!

## **Storyline Online**

Youth services staff may be familiar with this resource—**Storyline**Online. Angie Manfredi, our youth services consultant at the State



Library, recommends it because it combines her love of movies and children's books!

**Storyline Online** is a free resource for parents, public and school libraries—and of course children! This award-winning children's literacy website is sponsored by the SAG-AFTRA Foundation (Screen Actors Guild & American Federation of Television and Radio Artists) The Foundation is a nonprofit organization that relies entirely on gifts, grants and donations to fund **Storyline Online** and produce all of its videos.

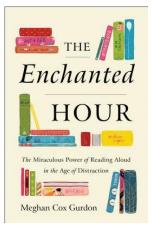
This resource is a collection of streaming videos featuring celebrated actors reading children's books aloud. Among the many actors lending their time and talent to **Storyline Online** are Kevin Costner, Melissa Gilbert, Christian Slater, Viola Davis, Kristen Bell, and dozens more. Storyline Online sees over 100 million views annually.

**Storyline Online** is available 24 hours a day. Each book includes supplemental curriculum developed by a credentialed elementary educator, aiming to strengthen comprehension and verbal and written skills for English-language learners.

Angie Manfredi points to an FAQ page on the website, specifically this question: "Can I use these videos on my library website? Answer: NO—it is illegal to use the content of Storyline Online on any other website, service, program, app or in any other media or context besides StorylineOnline.net, the Storyline Online channels on YouTube and SchoolTube, or any other use by the SAG-AFTRA Foundation. Please feel free, however, to add a link to StorylineOnline.net on your website…"

**Learn More About Storyline Online** 

### **Next Big Ideas Book Discussion**



#### **The Enchanted Hour**

It's a new year for **Big Ideas Book Discussions**, with four selections coming up. The first title in the 2020 series is scheduled for **February 20**: The Enchanted Hour: The Miraculous Power of Reading Aloud in the Age of Distraction by Meghan Cox Gurdon. A writer for the *Wall Street Journal*, Gurdon looks at how "reading aloud makes adults and children smarter, happier, healthier, more successful, and more closely attached, even as technology pulls in the other direction."

From Amazon "...it's not just about bedtime stories for little kids: reading aloud consoles, uplifts, and invigorates at every age, deepening the intellectual lives and emotional well-being of teenagers and adults, too... Gurdon argues that this ancient practice is a fast-working antidote to the fractured attention spans, atomized families, and unfulfilling ephemera of the tech era, helping to replenish what our devices are leaching away. For everyone, reading aloud engages the mind in complex narratives; for children, it's an irreplaceable gift that builds vocabulary, fosters imagination, and kindles a lifelong appreciation of language, stories and pictures..."

In **Big Ideas Book Discussions**, State Library staff facilitate discussions using books outside of library management, but with plenty of application to library management. Choosing books on civic engagement, social media, customer service, presentation skills, etc. we'll connect those ideas with public library service.

**Big Ideas** provides an assortment of titles for nonfiction readers, aiding in collection development and leading to good choices for local book discussion groups. We encourage participants to purchase books used throughout the **Big Ideas** series for local library collections. Join us for the next good read: The Enchanted Hour.

**Register Today!** 



# Thank you!

We hope you enjoyed ILOC 2020

**Getting Ahead of the Game:** 

Winning with Project Management

Thanks for making ILOC 2020 a success! Special thanks to the speakers who volunteered to present a session—we appreciate your time and your willingness to share your good ideas with your colleagues. We hope everyone found the keynote

speakers and the breakout sessions helpful and inspiring. If you didn't get a chance to attend, recordings will be posted soon to the <u>ILOC 2020 Resources page</u>. *Hope to see you next year at ILOC 2021!* 

### This Week:



#### **All Iowa Reads Webinar**

This Thursday January 30, the **All Iowa Reads Committee** sponsors a webinar (10:00AM—12:00PM) that will feature all three authors of the three **All Iowa Reads** selections for 2020. Each author will discuss their book and answer audience questions. In addition, learn the history of the **All Iowa Reads** (**AIR**) program and see an overview of the many resources available from the State Library supporting **AIR** at your library.

Here's a recap of the 2020 AIR titles:

Adult All Iowa Reads: <u>The Mothers</u> by Brit Bennett

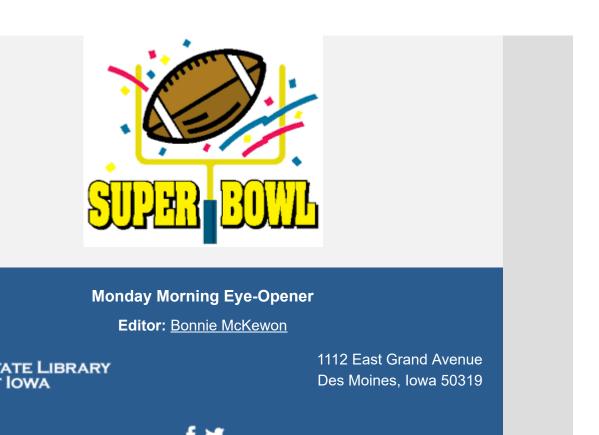
Teen All Iowa Reads: <u>Hey, Kiddo</u> by Jarrett J. Krosoczka

Kids All Iowa Reads: <u>The Parker Inheritance</u> by Varian Johnson

#### **Multiple Copies of AIR Titles**

Speaking of supporting *AIR* at your library: each District office has sets of the 2020 titles available to borrow for your local book clubs. If you would like to reserve a set for your library's book club, please contact the Library Resource Technician assigned to your District, they're keeping track of reservations. The sets will be sent via IAShares delivery.

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