

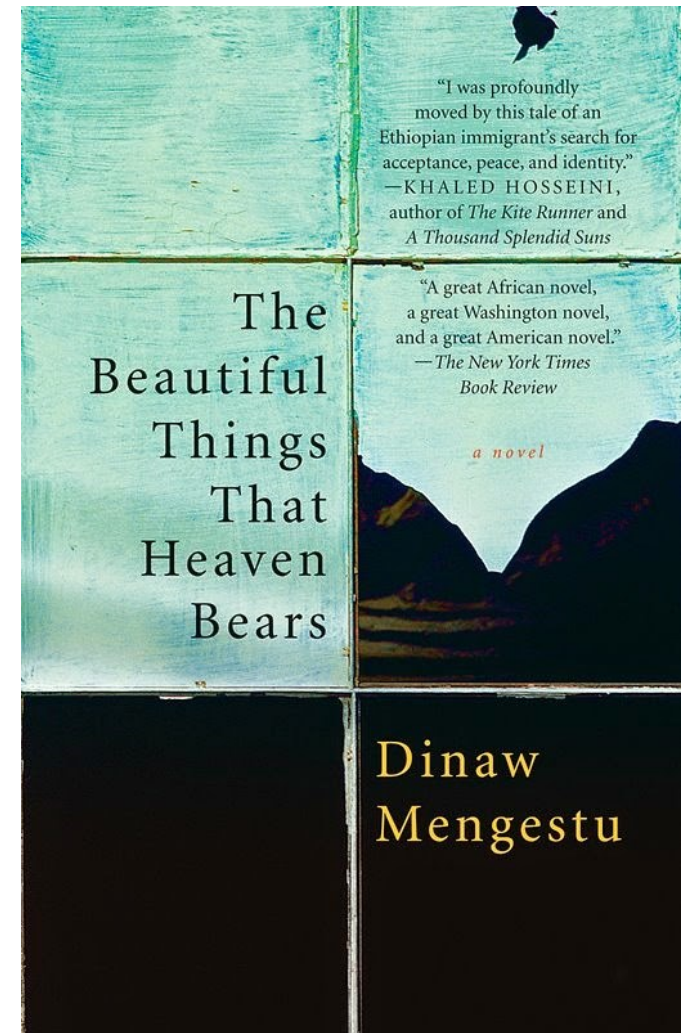
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NEA Big Read

at Galesburg Public Library ✧ April 2018



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B.Y.O.B. Book Club

Monday, April 2, 10:00 AM, Galesburg Public Library

Join our new adult book club to read and discuss *The Beautiful Things That Heaven Bears* by Dinaw Mengestu. Those attending the discussion can ask for an advanced copy of the book. The discussion will be led by retired Carl Sandburg College professor Norm Burdick.

NEA Big Read Kick-Off Event

Saturday, April 7, 2:00 PM, The Orpheum Theatre

Kick off the NEA Big Read with a free performance by Ayodele Drum and Dance of Chicago. Doors open at 1:30 PM and admission is free for all. Free copies of *The Beautiful Things That Heaven Bears* will be distributed while supplies last. This event is made possible through generous donations from a patron and the Friends of Galesburg Public Library.

Drum Circle for Kids

Monday, April 9, 6:00 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Celebrate the spirit of community with music! Join Justin Mooney of Moon Dog Drum House for a drum circle. Open to children and families. Free!

Book Discussion

Tuesday, April 10, 1:00 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Join us for a discussion of *The Beautiful Things That Heaven Bears* by Dinaw Mengestu. Those attending the discussion can request a copy of the book at the Reference Desk.

Free Documentary

Tuesday, April 10 at 2:00 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Free viewing of *God Grew Tired of Us*, which explores the true stories of African refugees in America (rated PG, 90 min., © National Geographic Films).

Immigration Firsthand

Wednesday, April 11, 6:30 PM

Watch a short documentary about a refugee family from Uganda, discuss the immigration experience with others, and make an easy recycled tribal necklace. Free.

Book Discussion

Thursday, April 12, 6:30 PM, Jimmy John's

Join us for a discussion of *The Beautiful Things That Heaven Bears* by Dinaw Mengestu. Those attending the discussion can request a copy of the book at the Reference Desk.

DIY Rope Basket

Monday, April 16, 6:00 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Learn how to make your own rope basket! All supplies will be provided. Free and for all ages. Limited to 30 participants. Please sign up at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsored by the Galesburg Civic Art Center.

Book Discussion

Wednesday, April 18, 12:20 PM, Carl Sandburg College Library

Join us for a discussion of *The Beautiful Things That Heaven Bears* by Dinaw Mengestu. The discussion will be led by Professor Anthony Law.

Kids' Book Club

Thursday, April 19, 4:00 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Open to 3rd-5th graders. Read and discuss *One Good Thing about America* by Ruth Freeman. Free copies of the book are available in the Children's Room. Supplies are limited so get your copy soon!

Tome Raiders Book Club

Friday, April 20, 6:00 PM, Hardee's

Join our sci-fi/fantasy book club for a discussion of *The Girl in the Road* by Monica Byrne. Copies of the book are available for checkout on the Hold Shelf.

The Big Write Reception

Saturday, April 21, 2:00 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Join us for a reception for winners, entrants, friends, family, and the community to celebrate The Big Write, the library's annual creative writing contest.

Free Movie

Tuesday, April 24, 1:30 PM

Free showing of *The Good Lie* starring Reese Witherspoon as a woman who helps Sudanese immigrants adjust to their new life in America (rated PG-13, 110 min., © Warner Bros.).

Graphic Novel Discussion and Doodling

Tuesday, April 24, 6:30 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Join us for a discussion of the graphic novel *The Arrival* by Shaun Tan. Free copies will be available in a limited supply at the Reference Desk! Doodle your own life story or your feelings about the book while we discuss. Co-sponsored by the Galesburg Civic Art Center.

Carl Sandburg Festival

Wednesday, April 25–Saturday, April 28

One of Galesburg Public Library's partners for the NEA Big Read, the Carl Sandburg Festival celebrates Sandburg's legacy and the art of writing. Visit www.sandburg.edu/festival.

Food for Thought Book Club

Thursday, April 26, 11:30 AM, Buenos Aires Bakery Cafe

Join us for a discussion of *Yes, Chef* by Marcus Samuelsson, a native Ethiopian and famous chef. Copies of the book are available for checkout on the Hold Shelf.

Pinterest Club: DIY Woven Bracelet

Thursday, April 26, 6:30 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Learn how to make a woven bracelet using finger-weaving! Free and for all ages. Please sign up at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsored by the Galesburg Civic Art Center.

Keep Calm and Color On

Monday, April 30, 2:00 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Color for relaxation. African-themed coloring pages and colored pencils will be provided. Free! For adults only.

Book Discussion

Monday, April 30, 6:00 PM, Galesburg Public Library

Join us for a quick discussion of *The Beautiful Things That Heaven Bears* before meeting the author via Skype at 6:30 PM.

Skype with Dinaw Mengestu

Monday, April 30, 6:30 PM, Galesburg Public Library

The author of *The Beautiful Things That Heaven Bears* will visit with Galesburg Public Library via Skype. Ethiopian coffee (from Innkeeper's Coffee), snacks, and bread (from Buenos Aires Bakery Café) will be provided. Free and all are welcome. Please register at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsored by the Friends of Galesburg Public Library.