

BPD NEWSLETTER

THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE ARKANSAS LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND

DA2 PLAYERS ARE HERE!



The Arkansas Library for the Blind and Print Disabled is now offering patrons access to the new DA2 player on a first-come-first-served basis due to limited supply. The DA2 player has some of the same features as the older models, such as the ability to listen to a standard cartridge, a 3.5 mm headphone jack, and tactile, high-contrast buttons. New features of the DA2 include Wi-Fi and Bluetooth connectivity and 28 GB of internal storage.

That means DA2 users can connect to BARD, the Braille and Audio Reading Download website, to download audiobooks and magazines, store them on the player, and listen to them over Bluetooth-enabled speakers or headphones. If you have a BARD account and access to Wi-Fi connectivity in your residence, you can call the library at 501-682-1155 or email nlsbooks@ade.arkansas.gov to request a player.

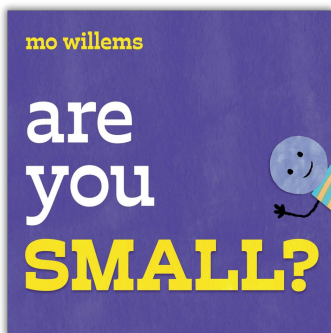
BOOK CLUB

The LBPD Book Club meets monthly and we would love to have more folks join in! The group typically meets on the last weekday of the month at 2:00 p.m. over Zoom. You can dial in using a touchtone phone at: 1-312-626-6799 with the Meeting ID: 392 900 0365, or you can call the library to get transferred into the meeting. If you would like to join the book club and get notified of the meetings, please reach out at 501-682-1155 or nlsbooks@ade.arkansas.gov.

BRAILLE CALENDARS

Production of NLS's 2026 braille wall calendars, which was delayed due to last fall's government shutdown, has now been completed, and distribution of calendars has begun. NLS anticipates that all subscribers will receive calendars by the end of February. If you are subscribed and still haven't received your calendar by March, please reach out to the library.

SPOTLIGHT ON JUVENILE TITLES



DBC 32930 - Are You Small?

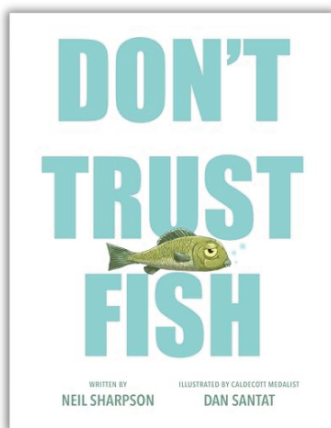
by Mo Willems

Grades K-3

DB 118261 - The First Cat in
Space Ate Pizza

by Mac Barnett, Shawn Harris

Grades 4-7



DB 130282 - Don't Trust Fish

by Neil Sharpson

Grades Preschool - 2

ACCESSIBILITY WEEKEND AT AMFA

The Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts will be presenting *Elephant & Piggie's "We Are in a Play!"* in March and will also host an Accessibility Weekend to highlight their special performances:

- Saturday, March 14, 10:30 a.m. - Audio Described performance
- Saturday, March 14, 2:00 p.m. - ASL-interpreted performance
- Sunday, March 15, 2:00 p.m. - Sensory-Friendly performance

If you're interested in getting FREE tickets for the show, call us at 501-682-1155 and we can provide a code to help with getting tickets.

WINTER OLYMPICS & WINTER PARALYMPIC BOOKS

DBC 17761	Brave Enough by Jessie Diggins with Todd Smith	Biography, Skiing
DB 49753	The Long Program: skating toward life's victories by Peggy Fleming with Peter Kaminsky	Biography, Skating
DB 44486	Icebreaker: the autobiography of Rudy Galindo by Rudy Galindo with Eric Marcus	Biography, LGBTQ, Skaters
DB 82853	Speed Kings: the 1932 Winter Olympics and the fastest men in the world by Andy Bull	Biography, Bobsledding, 1932 Winter Games
DB 62247	The Boys of Winter: the untold story of a coach, a dream, and the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team by Wayne R. Coffey	Sports, Hockey, 1980 Winter Games
DBC 00274	Zero Regrets: be greater than yesterday by Apolo Ohno with Alan Abrahamson	Biography, Speed Skating
DB 78152	Out of the Whirlpool: a memoir of remorse and reconciliation by Sue Wiygul Martin	Biography, Paralympics
DB 119093	The Hard Parts: a memoir of courage and triumph by Oksana Masters with Cassidy Randall	Biography, Paralympics

DB 80208	Always Climb Higher! by Jeff Pagels	Biography, Paralympics, Cross- country Skiing
DB 84333	On My Own Two Feet: from losing my legs to learning the dance of life by Amy Purdy with Michelle Burford	Biography, Paralympic Games, Snowboarders
DB 83428	Fully Alive: discovering what matters most by Timothy Shriver	Special Olympics

POPULAR BARD FICTION

DB 133042	The Widow	John Grisham
DB 133326	Exit Strategy	Lee Child & Andrew Child
DB 132772	Last Patient of the Night	Gary Gerlacher
DB 133329	Return of the Spider	James Patterson
DB 133328	Nash Falls	David Baldacci
DB 132396	The Secret of Secrets	Dan Brown
DB 131733	Brain Damage	Freida McFadden
DB 133660	The Proving Ground	Michael Connelly
DB 133330	Sharp Force	Patricia Cornwell
DB 129105	The Correspondent	Virginia Evans
DB 133207	Gone Before Goodbye	Reese Witherspoon & Harlan Coben

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HOURS & HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Arkansas Library for the Blind and Print Disabled
is open Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Upcoming holiday closings:

February 16 - President's Day

May 25 - Memorial Day

July 3 - Independence Day

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