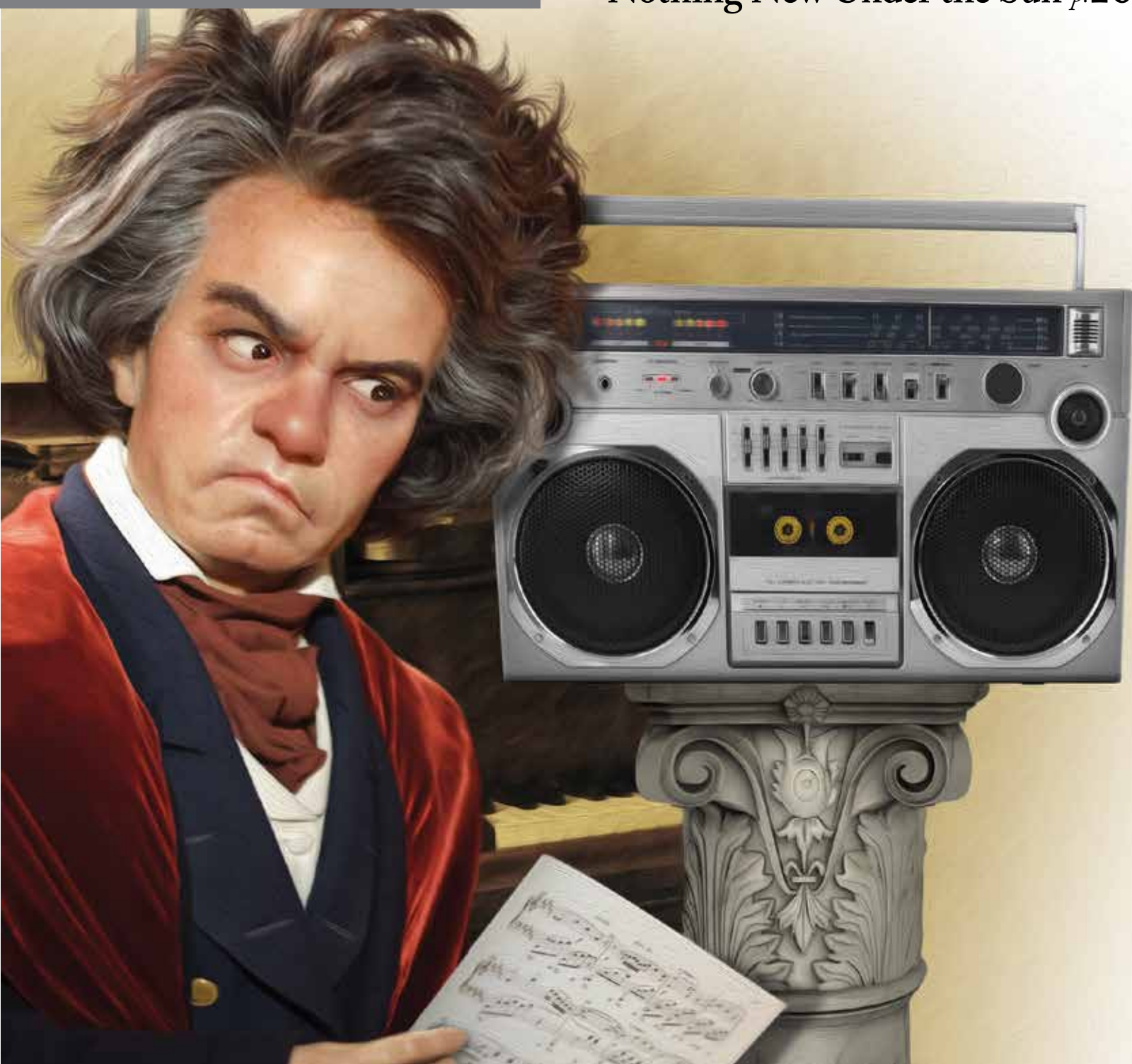


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November... ah, cool fall breezes, leaves turning colors, brisk morning walks.

But November isn't just about the great weather. As always, our calendar for the month is filled with great programs and events that kids and adults of all ages will enjoy!

Like music? Listen to local and world renowned classical guitarist, Edgar Cruz, as he plays songs influenced by his Latin roots. He'll be playing at eight neighborhood libraries early in the month.

Or does November make you want to cuddle up by the fire and write out your long awaited (and waited and waited) novel or memoir? Well now is the time to pick up that pen or typewriter and head on over to several of our libraries as we celebrate NaNoWriMo – National Novel Writing Month. Participate in writing sessions that can help you write that novel with ideas to jump start, overcome writer's block and even how to budget time to write in the real-world today. And if writing a novel is a little too daunting, start small with some creative writing or memoir writing classes at a host of Metro libraries.

If you'd rather listen to stories from the "pros", swing by the Choctaw Library on Nov. 16 at 6pm for TELLABRATION™! This special event is a night of storytelling that is celebrated world-wide and it brings together Oklahoma's most celebrated storytellers to wow, delight, captivate and mesmerize audiences.

Each month at Metro Library is special, but it seems that November is packed full of great events and programs for which everyone can be thankful. And speaking of thankful, keep in mind that all Metro Libraries will be closed on November 24 and 25 for Thanksgiving. Enjoy the holiday with your family and the whole month with ours.



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POLITICS: *It's All Local*

By Larry Johnson

Robinson St., Oklahoma City



There's an old saying that "All politics is local." The intent of the phrase refers to the necessity of candidates to hit the street, knock on doors, and win voters face to face. But you could also say, "All politics that matter is local," because all too often we get caught up in the big races like President of the United States—races that have much less impact on our daily lives than the school board or municipal ordinances.

That's important to keep in mind in a year when the heated presidential race has drawn a lot of attention away from the state questions and other local issues.

Ninety years ago, one of the most important elections in Oklahoma City's history was not hampered by outside elections which allowed all of the heat, insults and bile to fly unimpeded through the atmosphere. In fact, this election was so fundamentally important we scarcely think of it today. Oklahoma City in 1926 was just becoming the city we know today. She had already endured numerous growth spurts and downturns and the population neared 200,000. The city had been governed by a traditional alderman or council form of municipal government in which the aldermen held the power. This form brought with it a lot of direct democracy, but as the four aldermen ran each of the four wards of the city as their own personal fiefdom, corruption and associated ills were rife at city hall and divisive party politics was the rule of the day.

In 1911 Oklahoma City took the radical step of converting to a commission form of government in which five commissioners



Commissioner Jack Walton

oversaw various departments in the city with near dictatorial powers to execute their duties. This form of government became popular after the 1900 devastation of Galveston, TX when a commission was appointed to bring the obliterated city back from the brink after a category 4 hurricane rendered the town helpless. In short order the commission orchestrated the return of the city with great efficiency. So much so that it encouraged other cities to try the commission form. In Oklahoma City, the commission was quite successful and brought us many social services including better healthcare, clean water, and Lake Overholser.

While effective, the commission form did not allow for necessary checks and balances.

Most notably it allowed Commissioner Jack Walton to run roughshod over the machinery of government. Thus the Bureau of Governmental Research promoted a trendy new municipal form known as the council-manager form. This form added the new "scientific management" principles to city governance by hiring a professional manager to run the city like a business while leaving legislative functions to a weak mayor and a city council.

With the support of leading business- and clergymen, the public endorsed the new form in a November 1926 election by an 1800 vote majority. This form has served Oklahoma City reasonably well, indeed, most of us never even think about our municipal form. However, over the 90 years since the election, nationally, the form has become known as peculiarly Southwestern among large cities. Most other "big league cities" use the traditional strong mayor form of government. Will Oklahoma City consider joining the rest of the country by switching government styles? It's not likely. Ours and other Southwestern cities are largely controlled by business interests and a city manager is appealing to them. And as long as our big sisters in the region—Dallas, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, and Austin—use the same style there's not likely to be any external pressure to do so.

Larry "Buddy" Johnson has been with Metro Library since 1998. Not only a librarian at the Downtown Library, he is the brilliant mind behind the Oklahoma Images database which is a collection of pictures and essays that illustrate the history of central Oklahoma.



Reviews & Recommendations

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Signs of Light by The Head and the Heart

reviewed by Breck McGough



The Seattle-based folk rock band, *The Head and the Heart*, has struck a chord with fans who are weary of the ultra auto-tuned and electronically washed sound of today's Pop music. Their third album, *Signs of Light*, continues in the vein of its predecessors by offering listeners plenty of enjoyable tracks backed by an under-processed mix of acoustic instruments and rustic vocals.

The track, "Library Magic," is the folksy star of the album. It could almost be a forgotten slow southern rock single from the '70s. Besides, how could I not love a song with a title like that?! The band does try to move beyond

their comfort zone with electric guitar twangs and electronic mixes in the titular track, but the result is a bit derivative and insincere.

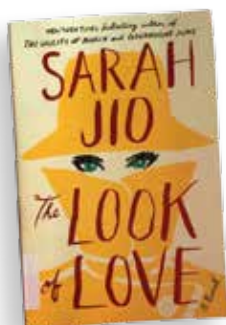
Signs of Light may not be audacious or original, but that may not be a bad thing. As the saying goes, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." Fans of *The Head and the Heart* will definitely find plenty of the sounds they know and love in this new album.

Breck McGough is an associate librarian at the Downtown Library. In his free time he studies music and hoards books.

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The Look of Love by Sarah Jio

reviewed by Phyllis Davidson



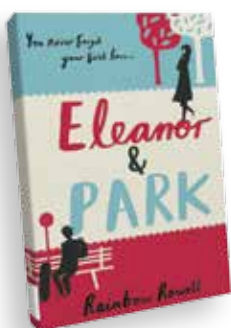
Jane's earliest memory is the day her father left her mother. Jane's vision blurred, and throughout her life she was under the treatment of a doctor for vision problems. On her 29th birthday, Jane receives a birthday card from a stranger who claims to have passed on a special gift to Jane on the day she was born—the ability to see love in all its forms. The stranger gives Jane an ancient journal in which generations of women, those with the gift, have recorded their experiences and observations. Before her 30th birthday, Jane must identify the six types of love, and record them in the journal. If she fails, Jane will never find love for herself.

Fortunately for Jane, she has six friends who experience the different types of love. We get to go along with Jane as she comforts and encourages her friends during the ups and downs of love. The big question is whether Jane will truly believe the stranger and work to make her own dream come true. I enjoyed this title as well as the other books by this author that I have read.

Phyllis Davidson is a reference librarian at the Downtown Library. She is the editor of a family newsletter, teaches genealogy classes to customers at the library, and delves into her own family history outside the Library walls.



Eleanor & Park by Rainbow Rowell



Eleanor is the new kid in school; she's large, red-headed, and she dresses weird. At first, Park wants nothing to do with her. Befriending Eleanor would be like putting a target on his own back. But gradually, he begins to like her, until a sweet little romance forms. Weight is only one of the BIG ISSUES that this book tackles, among them, interracial couples, poverty, domestic abuse, and probably a few more I'm forgetting.

reviewed by Kassy Nicholson

But for all that, it remains a love story. Teens will find it relatable; adults will find it nostalgic.

Kassy Nicholson is a huge book nerd and has been pretty much since birth. When she's not reading, or talking about books, or trying to foist books off on other people, she acts in community theatre, knits and crochets, and makes up songs about her dogs.



Take All My Loves - 9 Shakespeare Sonnets by Rufus Wainwright



What do Carrie Fisher, William Shatner, Helena Bonham Carter, Florence Welch, and the German opera singer Anna Prohaska all have in common? They are all performers in Rufus Wainwright's latest project, *Take All My Loves - 9 Shakespeare Sonnets*, a hodge-podge of spoken word, romantic art song, electronica, and alternative rock.

The idea for the album is the result of a commission by Robert Wilson, famed collaborator on Philip Glass's *Einstein on the Beach*, for Wainwright to pen music for his 2008 stage production *Shakespeare's Sonnets*. The San Francisco Symphony then asked him to orchestrate five of the sonnets for a concert in 2010. This collection combines this music and commemorates the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death.

Wainwright is known for being a musical chameleon. He has had success in jazz, rock, pop, and lately as a classical composer. I was intrigued when I learned

reviewed by Breck Mcgough

that he was releasing an album of musical settings of famous sonnets by Shakespeare. Some tracks are spoken word accompanied by ambient tones, others are rock and roll singles performed by the composer, and others are beautifully orchestrated songs performed by one of today's best opera singers. Wainwright said of writing for the project, "recording this album has been a marriage made in heaven, as it combines my love of classical music with my love of pop music."

Musically, this album is completely disjointed. The only constant are the words of Shakespeare. However, there is something here for just about everyone. Fans of Wainwright's early albums will enjoy the pop and rock tracks. Opera lovers will definitely find much to admire in the settings sung by Anna Prohaska. And who isn't intrigued by the idea of William Shatner reciting Shakespeare?



First Contact

By Todd Podzemny



Astronomers recently discovered a planet orbiting Proxima Centauri, the closest star to our solar system. The planet appears to be roughly Earth-sized, and orbits the star at a distance that makes liquid water possible.

While we don't know much about our newly-spotted neighbor, discoveries like this always excite me. Partly because I'm a huge nerd, but partly because I'm a librarian. Let me explain.

You probably know that the Dewey Decimal system organizes books by assigning a number to each subject, starting with "general knowledge" in the 000s and going all the way up to history in the 900s. What you may not know is that way at the end of the Dewey range is a number that isn't really used yet: 999 – The History of Extraterrestrial Worlds.

See, the thing about history, as the Dewey Decimal system defines it, is that it can only be created by thinking beings. As far as librarians are concerned, everything that's ever happened on every planet besides Earth is some combination of astronomy, geology, meteorology, and robotics.

That's going to change when one of two things happens: either humans will set foot on Mars, and start creating history there, or astronomers will find evidence of intelligence on other planets. There will be a flood of books by scientists, scholars, pundits and crackpots, all trying to fit this astonishing new development into

the context of the human story, all trying to figure out what it means for our future and our definition of what it means to be human.

Alone among all the turmoil, the librarians will know just what to do.

We've been waiting for this.

With that in mind, here are some of the best books I've read about first contact with aliens:

Contact by Carl Sagan

Well, clearly. Armed with all the science and philosophy he picked up working with the Voyager Project and teaching the world about the universe in *Cosmos*, Sagan created a science fiction novel that is incredibly imaginative and at the same time consistently believable.

Agent to the Stars by John Scalzi

The good news: aliens are here, and they're friendly. The bad news: they're hideously ugly and smell like rotting fish. They know that before they land on the White House lawn, they're going to need some advice on how to present themselves to humanity in the most positive light possible. And who better to spin an unfortunate image than a legendary Hollywood agent?

Earth Unaware by Orson Scott Card

In Card's classic novel *Ender's Game*, humanity is going on the offensive after barely surviving two wars against an

implacable, inscrutable alien enemy. In the first book of a new trilogy, Card is going back and telling the story of those two wars, starting with the everyday struggles of a family of miners living on a spaceship in the asteroid belt.

Saturn Run by John Sandford

When an unknown object is spotted heading toward Saturn and decelerating in a way no natural object could, humanity realizes that they are not alone. Now the race is on, as the United States and China push human technology to the breaking point in a race to reach Saturn and claim the alien object for themselves. A good old-fashioned hard science fiction story with a political twist.

A Darkling Sea by James L. Cambias

When intelligent life is discovered living in an extraterrestrial ocean under a kilometer of ice, you can expect common ground to be a little hard to find. Things start off fine: as long as humans don't disturb the local habitat of the aquatic Illmatarans, they're free to explore and study as they wish. However, the strange murder of a famous explorer at the hands of the aliens leads to mounting tensions that threaten to break out into war.

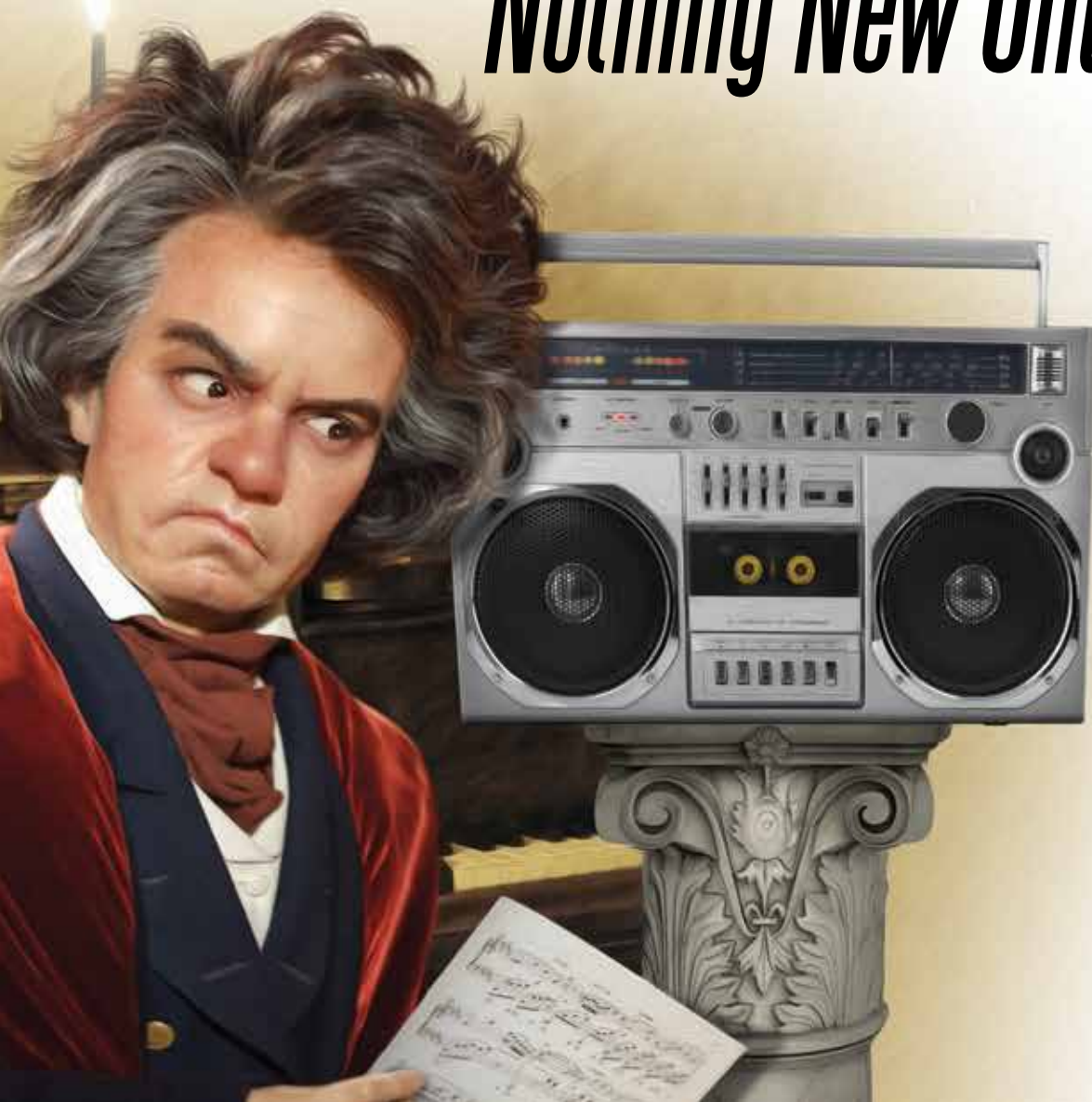
Todd Podzemny is the manager of the Choctaw Library. He once invented a better mouse trap, but it turns out that mice have nothing they want to trap and very little disposable income.



THE MILLENNIAL WHOOP:

Nothing New Under the Sun

By Breck McGough



On August 20 Patrick Metzger posted an article on his blog, *The Patterning*, which describes a phenomenon in Pop music he calls the “millennial whoop.”



Since that time I have seen his article re-posted, plagiarized, and discussed on sites ranging from *USA Today* to the *A.V. Club*, and have had several friends email me or post about it on Facebook.

If you are wondering what all the fuss is about, just turn on your local Top 40

I believe that the overabundance of the “Millennial Whoop” is a result of producers who know how to make a buck.

station. Chances are that if you make it to the chorus of any song, you’ll have already heard the sound I’m describing. As Metzger mentions, it is usually produced on an “oh” or a combination of “wah” and “oh,” and sung on an alternating pattern of the 5th and 3rd scale degrees of the major scale.

The interval between the 5th and 3rd



Patrick Metzger

scale degrees is called a minor third (‘minor’ because it is a half step shorter than a major third.) This is considered by music educators as the “universal interval” because of its prevalence in the folk music of many cultures. The song “Rain, Rain Go Away,” for example, is built almost entirely on these two scale degrees. Many teachers who use solfège (do-re-mi-fa-sol-la-ti) to teach children to read music begin with *sol* and *mi*, the 5th and 3rd scale degrees, because they create an interval already so familiar to most people. It is also the interval many birds sing. The Medieval song, “Sumer is Icumen In,” even uses it to mimic the sounds of the Cuckoo.

If you’re still not sure what it is, go to YouTube and search for “Millennial Whoop.”

I believe that the overabundance of the “Millennial Whoop” is a result of producers who know how to make a buck. They understand that most people don’t want Pop music to be complicated. By using the minor third in large sections of songs, artists and producers create music that is easy to remember because it is made up of intervals that we all have heard since childhood. When a song is memorable, people post about it, buy it, and perpetuate the supply of more of the same.

So if you see someone post about the end of music as we know it or the way millennial culture is ruining the pop industry, just ignore the negativity and listen to the artists you enjoy. The intervals you hear are as ancient as birdsong. Music is here to stay.

Breck McGough is an associate librarian at the Ronald J. Norick Downtown Library. He spends his free time writing music and watching movies with his wife, Laurelin. He is currently working on a project to record songs from the Dale Ingram Popular Music Collection, part of the library’s Oklahoma Folklore Collection.

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FEATURED EVENTS

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Sub Committee Meeting

Downtown Library Wed | Nov 2 3:30p
Metropolitan Library Commission Library Administrative & Personnel

Commission Meeting

Downtown Library Thu | Nov 17 3:30p
Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County Monthly Meeting

Thanksgiving Holiday

Libraries Close early Wed | Nov 23 6p
All Locations Fri | Nov 25 Closed
All Locations Thu | Nov 24 Closed

Although our physical libraries are closed, you can still use the library online, 24/7 at <http://www.metrolibrary.org>. Visit us online to find your next read, download eBooks, audiobooks, MP3s, and digital magazines, or access one of our great databases.



Be Well @ the Library

Beginning Salsa

Young Adult (ages 18-21)
Northwest Library® Sat | Nov 5 10a

Extra Help and Legal Information From OKDHS

Adult
Belle Isle Library Tue | Nov 15 1p

Tai Chi

Adult
Belle Isle Library Wed | Nov 2 1p
Belle Isle Library Mon | Nov 7 1p

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Warr Acres Library Sat | Nov 12 2:30p

Senior (ages 55+)

Northwest Library Mon | Nov 7, 14, 21, 28 4p



Book it @ the Library

Book Club

Adult

Edmond Library	Tue Nov 1	Noon
Southern Oaks Library	Tue Nov 8	11:30a
Northwest Library	Fri Nov 11	1p
Warr Acres Library	Mon Nov 14	11a
Downtown Library®	Tue Nov 15	Noon
Midwest City Library	Thu Nov 17	10a
The Village Library	Mon Nov 21	3p

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Almonte Library	Tue Nov 1	4:30p
Southern Oaks Library®	Tue Nov 1	6:30p
Choctaw Library	Wednesdays	10a

Teen (ages 12-18)

Choctaw Library	Wed Nov 2, 16 & 30	11a & 4p
Midwest City Library	Thu Nov 10	4p



Concerts @ the Library

Edgar Cruz Latin Concert Series

All Ages

Southern Oaks Library	Sat Nov 5	1:30p & 3:30p
Midwest City Library	Sun Nov 6	2p & 4p
Warr Acres Library	Mon Nov 7	1:30p
The Village Library	Mon Nov 7	7p
Northwest Library	Tue Nov 8	7p
Choctaw Library	Tue Nov 8	2p
Belle Isle Library	Wed Nov 9	2p
Downtown Library	Wed Nov 9	7p

Noon Tunes

All Ages

Downtown Library	Thursdays	Noon
Thu Nov 3	Jim Garling & Suzanne Woolley	Cowboy/Western Swing
Thu Nov 10	Maggie McClure	Original music duo
Thu Nov 17	East Side Boys' Barbershop Quartet	



Create @ the Library

Al's Teen Lounge

Teen (ages 12-18)

Almonte Library®	Wed Nov 23	5p
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Art Class*Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)*

Choctaw Library® Fri | Nov 4, 11, 18 9:30a

ATLAS*Teen (ages 12-18)*

Belle Isle Library Mondays 4p

Belle Isle Library Tue | Nov 1, 15, 22 & 29 4p

Belle Isle Library Wed | Nov 2, 9, 16 & 30 4p

Belle Isle Library Thu | Nov 3, 10 & 17 4p

Beginning Crochet*Adult*

Choctaw Library Sat | Nov 5 1p

Builder's Club*Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)*

Almonte Library Mon | Nov 14 4p

Coffee and Crafts*Adult*

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Crafts*Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)*

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Del City Library Thu | Nov 17 6:30p

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Creative Writing*Adult*

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Digital Scrapbooking Class*All Ages*

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Drawing for Beginners*Adult*

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Knit One, Crochet Too*Adult*

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Knitting Club*Adult*

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Choctaw Library Sat | Nov 5 10a

The Village Library Sat | Nov 12 10a

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LEGO Robotics Club*PreTeen (ages 9-12)*

Choctaw Library® Mon | Nov 7 4p

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Maker Mondays*Children (ages 12 & under)*

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Maker Space*Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)*

Northwest Library® Mon | Nov 14 4p

Middle School Rocket Academy*Teen (ages 12-18)*

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Open Mic Night*PreTeen (ages 9-12)*

Choctaw Library® Mon | Nov 28 6:30p

Poetry Reading*Adult*

Ralph Ellison Library Mon | Nov 28 7p

Quilting Club*Adult*

Midwest City Library Mondays 9a

Ralph Ellison Library Mon | Nov 7, 14, 21 11a

Ralph Ellison Library Fri | Nov 11, 18 11a

Sew What? An Introduction to Quilting*Adult*

Almonte Library® Thu | Nov 10, 17 6p

featured events

Textile Arts Club

All Ages

Edmond Library Thu | Nov 3 10a

Watercolor Painting

Adult

Warr Acres Library® Sat | Nov 5 10:30a

Writer's Corner

Teen (ages 12-18)

Del City Library Tue | Nov 15 4p

Writing Group

Adult

Midwest City Library Mon | Nov 14, 28 6p



Game On @ the Library

Catch 'em All @ the Harrah Pokemon Club

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Harrah Library Wed | Nov 9 4p

Chess Club

All Ages

The Village Library Fri | Nov 4, 11, 18 4p

Cosplay Tea Party

Teen (ages 12-18)

Belle Isle Library Mon | Nov 7 5:30p

Fandom Club

Teen (ages 12-18)

Midwest City Library Thu | Nov 17 4p

Gamefest

All Ages

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Choctaw Library Thu | Nov 10 6p

Wright Library Sat | Nov 12 1p

Teen (ages 12-18)

The Village Library Thu | Nov 17 4p

Ralph Ellison Library Tue | Nov 22 5p

International Games Day

All Ages

Choctaw Library Sat | Nov 19 10a

Minecraft Club

Children (ages 12 & under) Downtown Library® Mon | Nov 14 6:30p

Teen (ages 12-18)

Warr Acres Library® Thu | Nov 3 6:30p

Choctaw Library® Mon | Nov 14 4p

Mystery Afternoon and Pizza Party

Teen (ages 12-18)

Warr Acres Library Sat | Nov 19 2p

Scrabble Night

All Ages

Del City Library Thu | Nov 10 4p



Learn @ the Library

Crazy 8's Math Club: 3rd-5th Grade

Children (ages 12 & under)

Choctaw Library® Tue | Nov 1 5:30p

Crazy 8's Math Club: K-2nd

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Choctaw Library® Tue | Nov 1 4p

Crazy Science Activities

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Southern Oaks Library® Sat | Nov 26 2p

eBooks 101

Adult

Midwest City Library Mon | Nov 14 10:30a

Homework Help

Children (ages 12 & under)

Capitol Hill Library Tue & Wed 4:30p

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Midwest City Library Wed | Nov 2, 9, 16, 30 4:30p

Southern Oaks Library® Thu | Nov 10, 17 4p

Rocket Readers

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Bethany Library Mon | Nov 7, 14, 28 5:30p

Science Sundays

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

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STEAM Saturday: Explorers

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Choctaw Library® Sat | Nov 19 1p

STEAM Saturdays: Tween Detectives

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Choctaw Library® Sat | Nov 19 3p

Street Smart Spanish

Adult

Capitol Hill Library Mon | Nov 7, 14, 21, 28 5:30p

Tech Time

Senior (ages 55+)

The Village Library Tue | Nov 8 4:30p

Teen Service Team

Teen (ages 12-18)

Choctaw Library® Thu | Nov 3, 17 5p



Please visit our online calendar for even more library events.

90s Night @ Bethany Library

Adult

Bethany Library® Wed | Nov 30 7:30p

Do you remember who hosted Double Dare? Do you have hundreds of beanie babies tucked away? Is Lisa Frank a name you remember all too well? If so, join us for 90s trivia night while we play a fun game of 90s trivia, reminisce about the past and win awesome 90s themed prizes. Feel free to wear some of your rad clothes from back then, or accessorize with a slap bracelet or two!

Afternoon Tea Party

All Ages

Belle Isle Library® Sun | Nov 6 2p

Dress up in your Sunday best for an afternoon tea party! Representatives from the Teavana store will guide you through the customs of tea pouring and tasting, and you'll get to decorate your very own tea cup. Adults and children ages 8 and up welcome.

All Star Stories

Children (ages 12 & under)

Northwest Library® Thu | Nov 10 4p

Adventure and fun await! You can find it all in a good book, so join us for funny stories, songs, and crafts to become an all star reader! Take part in more adventures at home with silly stories available for checkout! For children ages 5-7.

Apple Pie Time @ your Library

Children (ages 12 & under)

Midwest City Library® Tue | Nov 22 4:30p

PreTeen (ages 9-12)

Ralph Ellison Library® Thu | Nov 17 6p

Bethany Library® Sat | Nov 19 2p

Choctaw Library® Mon | Nov 21 4p

Kids, get your cooking skills ready for the holiday season! Apple Pie Time lets kids practice following directions, measuring ingredients and putting together a delicious pie to take home and bake. Cookbooks for kids will be available to check out. This program fills up quickly, so registration is required.

Battle of the Brains

Teen (ages 12-18)

Almonte Library® Wed | Nov 9 5p

Come compete against other teens in our quiz show. Your knowledge on topics from Avatar: TLA to Supernatural will be tested. Assemble your team or compete individually for bragging rights and prizes.

Color Me Crazy!

All Ages

Capitol Hill Library Sat | Dec 30

Did you know that mandalas are geometric symbols often represented in religion, art, storytelling, and architecture? Tell your story creatively by coloring a table mandala. Finished murals will be displayed for public viewing at our library. Ask for colored pencils, crayons, and markers at the information desk.

Discover Local - Native Artists

Adult

Downtown Library Thu | Nov 10 6:30p

Discover Local. Discover Oklahoma. Starting in November, the Downtown Library will be hosting three monthly gallery exhibitions of work by Oklahoma artists surrounded by our historic Oklahoma Collection. The Oklahoma Collection is housed in the Oklahoma Room and contains books written about Oklahoma or written by Oklahomans. We also have a collection of photographs, maps and other primary research materials which bring Oklahoma history to life.

Downtown Open Mic Competition

Adult

Downtown Library® Thu | Nov 17 6:30p

Calling all comedians, musicians, and performers! Join us for two Open Mic Competitions; one in November and one in December. The top two acts from each bout -- as judged by a panel of entertainment professionals -- will be featured, promoted and given incentives to perform at an exclusive concert in January in our beautiful 46th Star Auditorium! Registration is required. Make sure you list a current, working phone number. If we cannot reach you, your spot will go to someone on the waiting list. The competition is limited to ten performers, so don't wait to register!

Fantastic Beasts

Teen (ages 12-18)

Edmond Library Sat | Nov 5 2p

Ralph Ellison Library Wed | Nov 16 4p

Harry Potter fans! Join us before Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them opens in theaters. Proper wizard dress is, of course, encouraged, although muggles and no-majs are welcome as well. Get sorted into your Ilvermorny house, receive your wand and eat and drink with fellow wizard students.

Memoir Writing

Adult

Downtown Library ^R Sat | Nov 5 2p

Choctaw Library ^R Sun | Nov 6, 13 & 20 2p

Bethany Library ^R Thu | Nov 10 6p

Everyone has life stories that are interesting. Would you like to share your stories by learning to write them? This workshop explores writing memoirs, the best forms, how to produce your stories, and the writing process (good writing rarely springs full-blown from the mind).

Music Recording 101

Teen (ages 12-18)

The Village Library ^R Wed | Nov 9 4p

Northwest Library ^R Thu | Nov 17 6p

Learn how to record your own music! Help us drop some beats as we walk you through the basics. Participants will be introduced to different hardware, software, and app options. You can learn about what library books and resources are available too!

NaNoWriMo Workshop

Adult

Downtown Library Tuesdays 6:30p

Young Adult (ages 18-21)

Downtown Library Tue | Nov 1 6:30p

Northwest Library Wednesdays 6:30p

Get that novel out of your head and on paper during this National Novel Writing Month! Join other aspiring writers for an inspiring and cozy writer's workshop, and don't forget to check out some of our writing resources to help you along the way (49,957 words left!).

NaNoWriMo Write-In

Teen (ages 12-18)

Del City Library Tuesdays 3p

Ralph Ellison Library Wed | Nov 2 5p

Choctaw Library Thu | Nov 3, 10, 17 5p

Downtown Library Sat | Nov 19 All day

Thinking about doing National Novel Writing Month? Gather in the library to work on your story and get support from our staff and new friends. We'll help you out with writing prompts, tailored library resources and all the encouragement you can handle.

Rossi the Approval Poodle

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Warr Acres Library Thu | Nov 10 4:30p

Ralph Ellison Library Sat | Nov 12 2p

Show Respect, Obey, be Safe, be Social and be Important are the rules that Rossi the Approval Poodle lives by. Join Rossi and Ms. Judy for a fun afternoon about helping others. You'll have a tail wagging good time. This event is held at multiple libraries.

Supporting Your Child with Autism

Belle Isle Library Thu | Nov 10 2p

Caregivers of children on the autism spectrum are invited to a presentation by the Oklahoma Autism Center, affiliated with OU's Health Sciences Center. This workshop will address ways to support children on the autism spectrum and how to connect with local resources.

Teen Read Month Celebration

Teen (ages 12-18)

Northwest Library ^R Tue | Nov 15 6p

Tellabration

All Ages

Choctaw Library Tue | Nov 15 6p

TELLABRATION 2016: a night of storytelling celebrated world-wide one week before Thanksgiving. TELLABRATION brings together Oklahoma's most celebrated storytellers to wow, delight, captivate and mesmerize audiences with their tales. Light refreshments will be served. Contact the library if you would like to tell a story at this event.

That's My Jam!

Teen (ages 12-18)

Bethany Library ^R Thu | Nov 17 6p

Do you update your Facebook status using your favorite song lyrics? Is your bedroom wall covered with pictures of your favorite bands? Are your YouTube favorites mostly music videos? If so, come to the Bethany Library and make lyric bookmarks and experience your three minutes of fame on our karaoke machine! You can even send special music requests to bethany@metrolibrary.org. We will have snacks, party games and loads of fun expressing ourselves through music!

^R = Registration required for this event.

Write your words **NaNoWriMo**

part of
National Novel Writing Month



Thinking about National Novel Writing Month?

Gather in the library to work on your story and get support from our staff new friends.

NaNoWriMo Write-In

Choctaw Library

Thurs, Nov 3, 10 & 17 • 5pm

Del City Library

Tuesdays • 3pm

Downtown Library

Sat, Nov 19 • All Day

Ralph Ellison Library

Wed, Nov 2 • 5pm

NaNoWriMo Workshop

Downtown Library

Tuesdays • 6:30pm

Northwest Library

Wednesdays • 6:30pm



Metropolitan
LIBRARY SYSTEM

www.metrolibrary.org

Kids @ the

Play @ the Library

1-2-3 Play with Me

Babies (0-12 months)

The Village Library® Tuesdays 10a

123! Play with Me! - 123! Juega conmigo!

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Southern Oaks Library Tue | Nov 15, 22, 29 6p

Art Time

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Downtown Library® Thu | Nov 10 10a

Parachute Play

Children (ages 12 & under)

Belle Isle Library® Thu | Nov 10 10a

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Midwest City Library Fri | Nov 11 10a

Playtime

Babies (0-12 months)

Belle Isle Library	Mondays	10a
Northwest Library®	Tue Nov 1,15	9:30a
Northwest Library®	Wed Nov 2,16	9:30a
Capitol Hill Library	Wednesdays	4:30p

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Northwest Library®	Tue Nov 1,15	11a
Northwest Library®	Wed Nov 2,16	11a

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Belle Isle Library	Tuesdays	10a
Northwest Library®	Wed Nov 2,16	10:15a
Del City Library	Wednesdays	10a
Northwest Library®	Tue Nov 1,15	10:15a
Warr Acres Library	Wed Nov 9,16	10:30a
Choctaw Library	Sat Nov 12	10a
Midwest City Library	Sat Nov 19	10:15a
Midwest City Library	Mon Nov 21	10:15a
Southern Oaks Library®	Mon Nov 28	10:30a

Toddler Music

Children (ages 12 & under)

Belle Isle Library Thu | Nov 17 10a

Toddlerobics

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Almonte Library Sun | Nov 6 3p

Storytime @ the Library

Baby Music with Miss Joy

Babies (0-12 months)

Belle Isle Library® Thu | Nov 3 10a

Babytime

Babies (0-12 months)

Del City Library	Mondays	9:15a
Belle Isle Library	Mondays	9:30a
Edmond Library®	Tue Nov 1	9a
Northwest Library®	Tue Nov 8	9:30a
Northwest Library®	Wed Nov 9	9:30a

Family Storytime

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Midwest City Library Tue | Nov 29 6:30p

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Edmond Library® Thu | Nov 3 6:30p

Mother Goose on the Loose

Babies (0-12 months)

Midwest City Library Wednesdays 10a

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Warr Acres Library	Thu Nov 3,17	9:30a
Bethany Library®	Thu Nov 10,17	9:30a & 10:30a
Southern Oaks Library®	Wed Nov 16	10:30a

Musictime

Babies (0-12 months)

Midwest City Library	Mon Nov 7	9a
Del City Library®	Thu Nov 10	9:30a

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PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

The Village Library ^R	Thu Nov 3	10a
Midwest City Library	Mon Nov 7	10a
Downtown Library ^R	Thu Nov 17	10a

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Del City Library ^R	Thu Nov 10	10:30a
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Pajama Storytime

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Choctaw Library	Mon Nov 7, 21	6:30p
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Puppet Storytime

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Del City Library	Mon Nov 14	6p
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Storytime

Babies (0-12 months)

Capitol Hill Library	Tuesdays	4:30p
Downtown Library ^R	Thu Nov 3	10a

Children (ages 12 & under)

Wright Library	Fri Nov 4	3:30p
Luther Library	Thu Nov 17	10a

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Choctaw Library	Tuesdays	10a
Del City Library	Tuesdays	10a
Bethany Library ^R	Thu Nov 3	10a
Warr Acres Library	Thu Nov 3, 17	10:30a
Southern Oaks Library ^R	Mon Nov 7, 14, 21	10:30a
Northwest Library ^R	Tue Nov 8	11a
Northwest Library ^R	Wed Nov 9	11a
Warr Acres Library	Sat Nov 12	10:30a
Warr Acres Library	Tue Nov 29	6:30p

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Midwest City Library	Mon Nov 14, 28	10a
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Storytime at Whole Foods

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5)

Del City Library	Thu Nov 3, 10, 17	10a
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Toddlertime

Toddlers (ages 1-3)

Belle Isle Library	Tuesdays	9:30a
Choctaw Library	Tuesdays	11a
Edmond Library ^R	Tue Nov 1	10a
Edmond Library ^R	Wed Nov 2	10a & 11a
Del City Library	Mondays	10a
Northwest Library ^R	Tue Nov 8	10:15a
Northwest Library ^R	Wed Nov 9	10:15a
Midwest City Library	Mon Nov 14, 28	9a



Children Reading to Dogs

Children (ages 12 & under)

Belle Isle Library	Thu Nov 3, 10 & 17	6p
Del City Library	Thu Nov 10	6:30p

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12)

Edmond Library	Tue Nov 1	6:30p
Southern Oaks Library ^R	Tue Nov 1	6:30p
Northwest Library	Mon Nov 7	6p
Midwest City Library ^R	Tue Nov 8	7p
Southern Oaks Library ^R	Sat Nov 12	10a
Choctaw Library ^R	Sat Nov 12	3p
Warr Acres Library	Tue Nov 15	6:30p
Choctaw Library ^R	Wed Nov 16	4p
Midwest City Library ^R	Tue Nov 22	7p
Downtown Library ^R	Mon Nov 28	6:30p

MLS LIBRARIES

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1 ALMONTE 2914 SW 59, OKC, 606-3575	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
2 BELLE ISLE 5501 N. Villa, OKC, 843-9601	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
3 BETHANY 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
4 CAPITOL HILL 330 SW 24th, OKC, 634-6308	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
5 CHOCTAW 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
6 DEL CITY 4509 SE 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
7 DOWNTOWN 300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
8 EDMOND 10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
9 HARRAH* 1930 N. Church Avenue, Harrah, 454-2001	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
10 JONES* 111 E. Main, Jones, 399-5471	—	9:30-5:30	—	9:30-5:30	—	9-5	—
11 LUTHER* 310 NE 3rd, Luther, 277-9967	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
12 MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
13 NICOMA PARK* 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park, 769-9452	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—
14 NORTHWEST 5600 NW 122nd, OKC, 606-3580	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
15 RALPH ELLISON 2000 NE 23rd, OKC, 424-1437	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
16 SOUTHERN OAKS 6900 S. Walker, OKC 631-4468	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
17 THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Ave., The Village, 755-0710	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
18 WARR ACRES 5901 NW 63rd, Warr Acres, 721-2616	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
19 WRIGHT* 2101 Exchange, OKC, 235-5035	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—

*Closed daily for lunch from 12:30-1 pm

