

Louisiana Hotlines

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GROUNDBREAKING READS

Adult Summer Reading Program is complete!

Dozens of readers helped make our first-ever Adult Summer Reading Program a success. As promised, here are the top three readers and the number of books they read this summer:

Eric Broussard	128 books
Nat Mercante	118 books
Vertie Short	103 books

Congratulations to all of our readers. Adult readers who participated in the Summer Reading Program read a total of 1,608 books!

Holiday closings

November 11 – Veterans Day
November 28 – Thanksgiving Day
December 25 – Christmas Day
January 1 – New Year's Day

SAVE THE DATE!

LOUISIANA
BOOK FESTIVAL

NOVEMBER 2 **2013** BATON ROUGE

The 10th annual Louisiana Book Festival will be Saturday, November 2, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in downtown Baton Rouge. Join us as we celebrate readers, writers and their books!

LouisianaBookFestival.org

TBBL Web Catalog Updated

The redesigned WebOPAC has several new features available for you to explore. Start on the home page (<http://www.state.lib.la.us/klasweb/index.jsf>) for announcements or important messages. From here you can search for books using the *search* button, browse predefined lists such as recently added titles or log in to manage your account.

Search

Click on *search* and you will see a simple search screen. The easiest thing to do is to type what you are looking for in the query box and press enter. The system will look at all the available indexes and return a list of your search results.

Filters

Once you get a set of search results, you can use the filters along the left side to limit what you see. The filters are labeled and give you the opportunity to either limit the result to certain types of items, or to exclude those items. For example, the *medium* filter allows you to choose to include just digital books by clicking on the digital book link. You could also look at everything except digital books by clicking on the *minus sign* to the right of the digital books link. The filters allow you to narrow down your search until you get exactly what you want.

Other options from search results

On the search results screen, you have several options. You can:

- Click on the title to pull up the full description of the book. You can add the title to your book basket from that screen or start the download if the download link is available. The full title display also has links you can use for other searches.
 - » The *author name* lets you see a list of books by that author.
 - » The *narrator* link lets you explore other books narrated by the same person.
 - » The *subject* link allow you to find other books in the same genre.
- Click on the link to start downloading the book if the link is available.
- Place a checkmark in the box to the left of the title. Click on *add selected to book basket* to start the process of putting those titles on request with the library.

Book basket options

The book basket contains titles in which you have indicated an interest. From here you will be able to download an electronic request to add books to your request list or rush a book if a hard copy is available.

Alerts

The alerts give you information about the book that could affect whether or not you want to get it. For example, the alerts could tell you the book is in a language you don't have on your record or if you have already checked it out. It will also alert you if there is something in the book that might be objectionable according to your personal settings. Your options will be listed in the actions column.

Actions

You have several options for processing your book basket. You can:

- Remove the title
- Rush a title to expedite receiving a physical copy
- Download the title if the applicable link is available

Login

You can search and create a book basket without actually logging into the system. When you click on the download link for a BARD title, you will be taken to the login screen for BARD where you'll have to enter your credentials.

To otherwise process your book basket and submit requests for materials, you will need to log in. You can do so using the login button below the book basket or by using

the login link at the top right of the page.

Clear basket

This button will remove the items from your book basket as well as your request for them.

Example searches

Browse

The *browse* button takes you to a set of predefined lists. The first few titles on the list are displayed, and you have the option of clicking the *see more* button to review the rest of them. Some of the browses that are in place include recently added titles and popular titles based on the number of circulations that they have had.

Your account

The *your account* link allows patrons who are logged in to see their account. Once you are logged in, you can view your current shipping address and reading profile, look at the most recent shipments sent to you and review/manage your request list. You can fill in a form to submit changes needed for your shipping and reading information. With your request list, you can view the titles, remove them from your list, download them (if applicable) or rush them.

Loan periods for magazines

As with books on digital cartridge, the magazines need to be returned to help keep costs down and potentially expand the magazine program. The cartridge loan period for weekly publications is one week after you receive them. The cartridge loan period for monthly, bimonthly and quarterly publications is one month after you receive them. In some cases you may receive a magazine cartridge that has more than one magazine on it. Any magazine cartridge that contains a combination of weekly, monthly, bimonthly or quarterly publications will have a loan period of one month after you receive it.

2014 Louisiana Young Readers' Choice (LYRC) Award

The 2014 Louisiana Young Readers' Choice Program is a reading enrichment program of the Louisiana Center for the Book in the State Library of Louisiana. There are three categories: **grades 3-5, grades 6-8 and grades 9-12**. Students read from the titles listed below during 2013 and vote by February 2014. **To qualify, students must be from Louisiana and read three of the titles in the appropriate grade category.** Your child can help decide who will win! **To vote, call 1.800.543.4702.**

Here are the titles:

Grades 3-5 nominated title list

America Is Under Attack: The Day the Towers Fell – September 11, 2001
by Don Brown DB 74337

Balloons Over Broadway: The True Story of the Puppeteer of Macy's Parade by Melissa Sweet DB 75815

Bongo Fishing
by Thatcher Hurd DB 75724

Close to Famous
by Joan Bauer DB 73023

The Incredible Life of Balto
by Meghan McCarthy DB 75592

Olivia's Birds: Saving the Gulf
by Olivia Boulter DB 75436

Grades 6-8 nominated title list

Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Not Reading
by Tommy Greenwald DB 75752

The Running Dream
by Wendelin Van Draanen DB 73998

Wonderstruck
by Brian Selznick DB 74157

A World Without Heroes
by Brandon Mull DB 74332

Grades 9-12 nominated title list

Anna Dressed in Blood
by Kandare Blake DB 75503

Daughter of Smoke and Bone
by Laini Taylor DB 75760

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Talking Books and Braille Library 2013 Patron Survey

To help us better serve you and meet your needs, please answer the questions below. Pull the section from the newsletter. Fold so the library's return address is visible, secure with tape and drop it in the mail. No postage is required. To complete the survey online, visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/TBBL2013>

Name: _____

Phone number: _____

Please mark the types of material you receive from the library.

Digital books Cassette books Large print books
 Braille books BARD books Magazines

How would you like to receive your *Hotlines* newsletter?

Large print Cassette Braille Online audio Online PDF

If you checked *online PDF*, what is your email address?

Circle your answer to the following questions:

Please rate the service you receive over the telephone when you call TBBL.

excellent good average fair poor not applicable

How satisfied are you with the material you receive from TBBL?

satisfied somewhat satisfied unsatisfied

If you circled *somewhat satisfied* or *unsatisfied*, please explain why below.

How satisfied are you with the overall service that TBBL provides?

satisfied somewhat satisfied unsatisfied

If you circled *somewhat satisfied* or *unsatisfied*, please explain why below.

Do you or a family member use the web catalog to search for and order books?

Yes No I would like information about the service

Have you visited the TBBL website?

Yes No

How do you rate the TBBL website in terms of accessibility?

Excellent Good Average Fair Poor

Do you receive magazines from NLS as part of the magazines on cartridge program?

Yes No

Have you experienced disruption of your magazine service as a result of having overdue magazine cartridges?

Yes No I would like to know how to avoid disruption in service

Do you or a family member download books from BARD?

Yes No

If you are not a BARD user, what is the reason?

- I do not have Internet access I do not have a computer
 I did not know about BARD I would like information about the service

Would you like to receive information about the new BARD app for iPhone, iPad or iPod?

- Yes No

Would you like to have NFB Newslines service read newspapers and popular magazines to you over the phone?

- Yes No I would like information about the service

Have you used the assistive technology workstation at a library in your parish?

- Yes No I would like information about workstations

If yes, check all that you have used:

- JAWS Magic CCTV magnifier

What electronic resources do you have available to you? Check all that apply.

- Home computer Home internet Family or friend computer
 Family or friend internet iPad Android tablet
 E-book reader iPhone Android smartphone
 JAWS Zoomtext Magic Refreshable Braille device

Other (please list): ; _____

Are you interested in participating in the next Adult Summer Reading Program?

_____ Yes _____ No

Do you have suggestions for improving the library service or do you have comments that you would like to make?

FREE MATTER FOR THE
BLIND OR HANDICAPPED

TALKING BOOKS AND BRAILLE LIBRARY
701 N. FOURTH STREET
BATON ROUGE, LA 70802

Divergent

by Veronica Roth DB 73203

The Name of the Star: Shades of London Book 1

by Maureen Johnson DB 74226

Shine

by Lauren Myracle DB 73903

Trapped

by Michael Northrop DB 73570

Where Things Come Back

by John Corey Whaley DB 74276

Bestselling digital books

A Week in Winter by Maeve Binchy

Chicky Starr returns home to Stoneybridge in western Ireland after twenty years in New York City. Chicky restores a dilapidated mansion and makes it into a boutique hotel with the help of her niece and a friend's son. A motley crew of characters becomes their first guests. DB 76309

ObamaCare Survival Guide

by Nicholas Tate

Journalist Nicholas Tate explains the 2010 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act — coined Obamacare — and its effect on various groups, including the insured, the uninsured, senior citizens, undocumented immigrants and others. The book contains information about the rollout and details changes in health insurance, long-term care, Medicaid and Medicare. DB 76277

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Breaking Point by C.J. Box

Wyoming Game Warden Joe Pickett is stunned to learn that Butch Roberson, the father of his daughter's best friend, is accused of killing two EPA employees. The victims ordered Butch to stop building on his land. As Joe tracks Butch, new complications emerge. Strong language and some violence. DB 76244

Alex Cross, Run by James Patterson

Washington, D.C. homicide detective Alex Cross investigates three murders in Georgetown, unaware that one of the killers is a plastic surgeon that Cross recently arrested for involvement with underage sex partners. Meanwhile, someone is studying Cross' every move. Violence, explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. DB 76227

Calculated in Death by J.D. Robb

When accountant Marta Dickenson is found in a stairwell with a broken neck after working late, Lieutenant Eve Dallas determines it was a faked mugging. Dickenson was assigned three audits that day — and one must have been worth killing over. Violence, strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. DB 76226

Until the End of Time

by Danielle Steel

In 1975, Bill and Jenny forego lucrative Manhattan jobs and move to Wyoming, where Bill becomes

a minister. Then tragedy strikes. In 2013, a young Amish woman named Lillibet sends a manuscript to publisher Robert — and an unexpected romance commences. Some strong language. DB 76224

***Empire and Honor* by W.E.B. Griffin and William Butterworth**

As World War II comes to a close, Cletus Frade of the Office of Strategic Services is part of an unusual deal. The United States will secretly help German intelligence officers find safety in Argentina in return for information on Soviet spies. Some strong language. DB 75982

News you can use

ABL 2013 state convention

Affiliated Blind of Louisiana (ABL) will celebrate 30 years of support service to blind, visually impaired and deaf-blind at its 2013 state convention. The convention will be held October 18-20 at the Hotel Acadiana, 1801 West Pinhook Road, Lafayette, LA.

ABL provides rehabilitation services through its Training Center. ABL was formed by a few blind and visually handicapped individuals who believed achieving one's dreams should not be hindered by a disability. If you would like more information about the organization or the upcoming convention, call 337.234.6492. On Saturday, TBBL staff will be available at the TBBL booth.

BARD Mobile App Released!

We are excited to announce that the BARD mobile app is now available for download from the Apple App store. There are several things you want to know before you download it to your mobile device, and things you might want to do in order to ensure that you'll be able to use the app right away without frustration. For information visit the TBBL website at: <http://www.state.lib.la.us/special-services/tbbl>

Select the BARD link and then select the BARD Mobile APP link.

Landmark Treaty for the Visually Impaired

The Landmark Treaty is another important achievement for equal rights, this time for more than 1 million Americans — and more than 340 million people worldwide — who are blind, visually impaired or who have other print disabilities.

In April 2012, President Barack Obama expressed the United States' commitment to the treaty, which "ensures that copyright is not a barrier to equal access to information, culture and education for visually impaired persons and persons with print disabilities." In Morocco, he joined more than 150 countries in approving the treaty, which holds the potential to open up a world of

knowledge to a population that is too often shut off from it.

The treaty will facilitate the development and distribution of accessible format print works within the framework of the international copyright system.

Read more about the treaty at http://www.ims.gov/landmark_treaty_for_visually-impaired_persons.aspx.

Support from TBBL friends

Since 1981, the Mrs. W. Carruth Jones Foundation has acted as a friends group for the Talking Books and Braille Library (TBBL) in the State Library of Louisiana. It provides a mechanism for accepting donations

to enhance and support services to the blind and physically handicapped community statewide. It directly supplements the programs and initiatives of TBBL within the State Library. It is a primary sponsor of the State Library's large print collection, TBBL's summer reading program and descriptive video collection, and supports volunteer efforts in the area.

To contribute, make checks payable to the Jones Foundation and mail to the following address:

Mrs. W. Carruth Jones Foundation
1131 N. River Road
Port Allen, LA 70767

All donations are tax deductible.

Talking Books and Braille Library 701 North Fourth St. Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Telephone numbers

Toll Free: 800-543-4702

Phone: 225-342-0035

Fax: 225-342-6817

Braille Service:

1-800-453-4293

Email

tbbl@state.lib.la.us

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Hours open to the public

Monday to Thursday

8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Friday by telephone and email only.

Library services

Recorded books and magazines

Braille books and magazines

Large print books and big books

Descriptive videos

Online catalog and BARD download service

Eligibility

Any Louisiana resident who is unable to read or use standard print materials as a result of a temporary or permanent visual or physical limitation is eligible to receive free library services.

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