

April 2022 Spokane Diversity/Cultural Events

Sexual Harassment Awareness Month

Sexual harassment, assault, and abuse can happen anywhere, including in online spaces. For too long harassment, cyberbullying, and sexual abuse and exploitation have come to be expected as typical and unavoidable behaviors online. Building Safe Online Spaces Together is possible when we practice digital consent, intervene when we see harmful content and behaviors, and promote online communities that value respect, inclusion, and safety. For more information visit <https://www.nsvrc.org/saam>.

Multicultural Communications Month

Multicultural communication may seem difficult at first – differences in languages, backgrounds, customs, and the like all seem a challenge. By learning more about our different cultures, it becomes easier to interact. This month has been dedicated to further this cause. Five keys to Effective Multicultural Communication: <https://unitedlanguagegroup.com/blog/five-keys-to-effective-multicultural-communication/>.

16th Annual Stand Against Racism - 2022 theme “We Can’t Wait: Equity and Justice Now!”

Join the YWCA in taking a stand against racism from April 28-May 1, 2022. Organizations in Spokane County are invited to become a participating site by hosting their own “Stand Against Racism” or by joining the YWCA Spokane and their virtual event on Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. For more information visit <http://standagainstracism.org>.

Democracy Now

Day: Monday-Friday

Time: 8:00 am – 9:00 am & 5:00 pm-6:00 pm

A national, daily, independent, award-winning news program hosted by journalists Amy Goodman and Juan Gonzalez. Pioneering the largest public media collaboration in the U.S. Link <https://www.democracynow.org/>. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Democracy Now! Headlines in Spanish

Date: Saturday

Time: 7:00 am – 8:00 am

Democracy Now! is a national, daily, independent, award-winning news program hosted by journalists Amy Goodman and Juan Gonzalez on KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: www.kyrs.org or www.democracynow.org.

Dragonflies on Thin Air

Day: Sunday

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

One of the few elementary age children’s radio shows produced by kids for kids in the country. The program is fun and educational for children and adults, and includes a mix of jokes, music, guests, stories, poetry, trivia and more. Includes Alice, Elenor C., Lily, Rowan, Sicely, Finn, Eleanor M., Sophia, Aleric and Amara. They all go to Spokane Public Montessori elementary school. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Irish Music on Tap

Day: Wednesday

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Music from Ireland, Scotland and England as well as Celtic Brittany and Canada. Hosted by Don and Rick, on KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

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Latin Lounge

Day: Monday

Time: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

A wide spectrum of Latin music. Hosted by “Corazon” on KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Queens of Noise

Day: Wednesday

Time: 8:00 pm-10:00 pm

You will hear best in female vocalist/musicians. Hosted by Luscious Duchess, KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

The Persian Hour

Day: Saturday

Time: noon – 1:00 pm

The Persian Hour’s consists of a variety of Iranian music from hip hop to traditional, Jazz, blues, rock and roll and the usual. Also, they will share stories, recipes, and interviews. Hosted by Shahrokh, KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

The Science of Poverty

Day: Saturday

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Explores the topic of poverty. Hosted by Jesse Quintana, official Facebook site. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Sounds of Science

Day: Sunday

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Lively discussion of what’s happening in the world of science, from how it is affecting our lives to the ways we are shaping it. Hosted by Blake, Amaya and Adam. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Welcome Home

Day: Thursday

Time: 10:00 am – noon

A multi-genre roots based folk show. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Women’s Media Center Live

Day: Wednesday

Time: noon – 1:00 pm

WMC Live with Robin Morgan tackles today’s hottest topics; whether it be sex, politics, art, humor, religion, culture, or news stories that go unreported, each is engaged regularly, insightfully, and intelligently. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Workin’ Woman Blues

Day: Sunday

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Tunes to help you shake the blues out of your hair with a mix of Funk, R&B, Soul and Blues. Hosted by Jukebox Jennie. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Sexual Assault Awareness Month Kick-off – Mujeres (women) in Action (MIA)

There will be snacks, activities, conversation, and design a t-shirt.

Time: noon-5:00 pm

Location: MIA Office, 318 E Rowan Ave, Ste 208

Cost: Free

For more information, visit <https://en.miaspokane.org/>.

Holistic Festival

50 booths featuring organic and natural products and remedies, body care and pain relief. Also available are: free health scans and healing technologies, readers, massage, chiropractors, acupuncture, hypnosis, health coaching, crystals, jewelry, books and spiritual guidance. Various lectures will also be offered throughout the day.

Date: Saturday, April 2, 2022

Time: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Location: CenterPlace, 2426 N Discovery Place

Cost: \$6.00

For more information, visit www.holisticfestivals.com or <http://www.centerplacespokanevalley.com/>.

Hanamatsuri Flower Festival Buddhist Services Festival

Commemoration of the birth of Siddhartha Gautama, who became enlightened and is known as Buddha.

Reverend Katsuya Kusunoki, from the Seattle Betsuin Temple gives the Dharma message. Available in-person, live on Facebook and Zoom.

Date: Sunday, April 2, 2022

Time: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

Location: Spokane Buddhist Temple, 927 S Perry St

Cost: Free, email for Zoom link

For more information, visit <http://www.SpokaneBuddhistTemple.org/> or email Spokanebuddhisttemple@gmail.com.

I, Too, sing America, The Friendship & collaboration of Margaret Bonds & Langton Hughes

This lecture-recital by Dr. Mary Trotter traces the story of Margaret Bonds and Langston Hughes' friendship, with letters exchanged between the two over decades.

Date: Tuesday, April 4, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Location: Myrtle Woldson Performing Arts Center, 211 E Desmet Ave

Cost: Free

For more information, visit <https://www.gonzaga.edu/myrtle-woldson-performing-arts-center>.

Day of Action for Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Wear Teal in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month – take a photo and tag it to #LCDNW and #SAAM2022.

Participate in their chalk walk at their downtown office

Date: Tuesday, April 5, 2022

Time: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Location: Lutheran Community Services Northwest, 210 W Sprague

Cost: Free

For more information, visit <https://lcsnw.org/office/spokane/>.

Service Project: Fleece Tie Blankets

A drop-in program to help make fleece tie blankets that will be donated to organizations who service those in need. Open to current middle and high school students.

Date: Tuesday, April 5, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Location: North Spokane Library, 44 E Hawthorne Rd

Cost: Free

For more information, visit <http://www.sclcd.org/> or call 509.893.8350.

How Audio Technology Changes the World

Although we live in a visual world, audio still has the power to create intimacy and spark the imagination like no other medium can. Veteran broadcaster Ross Reynolds explores the impact that audio transmission has had on society and storytelling, beginning with the first century of radio up to the modern age of audiobooks, internet streaming, podcasts, and smart speakers. How has audio transmission changed society, and what makes it such a still powerful form of communication?

Attendees will be encouraged to share stories of their formative audio experiences, and local radio broadcasters and podcasters will be invited to share their stories. Ross Reynolds (he/him) is KUOW's executive producer for community engagement, before which he was a program host for 16 years. Reynolds lives in Seattle.

Date: Tuesday, April 5, 2022 | Thursday, April 28, 2022

Time: 6:00 pm | 6:30 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below.

For more information and to register, visit <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-how-audio-technology-changed-the-world-9/> | <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-how-audio-technology-changed-the-world-12/>.

Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Everett Public Library | Stanwood Library/Sno-Isle Libraries.

Whiskey and Wiretaps: The Northwest's Rumrunning King

On Thanksgiving Day, 1925, Roy Olmstead was trapped by federal prohibition agents and their Tommy guns on a lonely Puget Sound dock. His reign as the Northwest's most prolific bootlegger had ended. But big questions—political, cultural, and legal—remained.

Why did Olmstead, the youngest lieutenant in Seattle Police Department history, form a secret gang to take over Prohibition bootlegging in the Northwest? What can we learn today from "The Good Bootlegger's" story of whiskey-driven politics, culture wars, criminalization of popular social behavior, illegal surveillance, spies, sensational trials, and Constitution-bending trips to the Supreme Court?

Using photographs, documents, newspapers, and court cases, Steve Edmiston breathes life into Olmstead's story by exploring historical context, his entrepreneurial brilliance, his code of conduct, and the profound impact of his legal battles today.

Steve Edmiston (he/him) is a business and entertainment lawyer with Bracepoint Law, an indie film screenwriter and producer, founder of Quadrant45, and co-founder of The Good Bootlegger's Guild. Edmiston lives in Des Moines, near the site of Olmstead's final arrest.

Date: Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-whiskey-and-wiretaps-the-northwests-rumrunning-king-6/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by

Walla Wall Community College Library.

Rais Bhuiyan – SCC Hagan Center Diversity Speaker

Rais Bhuiyan, an American Muslim from Bangladesh, is known for telling his story as a victim of a white supremacist attack in the aftermath of 9/11.

The attacker had been hunting for “Arabs” and perceived Muslims, though not one of his victims turned out to be from the Middle East. Despite being shot in the face, Bhuiyan survived, but two other victims did not.

Remarkably, not only did Bhuiyan forgive his attacker, but he also spent months trying to save him from death row. In the years following the attack, Bhuiyan has advocated for peace, forgiveness and compassion.

Date: Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: On-line, virtual event

Cost: Free, must register, visit the website below.

For more information and to register, visit <https://scc.spokane.edu/For-the-Community/Hagan-Foundation-Center-for-the-Humanities/Hagan-Center-Events>.

One Second of Hate: A Story of Forgiveness

“Where are you from?”, his attacker asked before shooting Rais Bhuiyan during a killing spree in Texas shortly after 9/11. The attacker, a white supremacist, had been hunting for “Arabs” and perceived Muslims, though not one of his victims turned out to be from the Middle East. Despite being shot in the face, Bhuiyan survived, but two other victims did not.

Remarkably, not only did Bhuiyan forgive his attacker, but he also spent months trying to save him from death row. In the process, his attacker, a man named Mark Stroman, renounced his white supremacist beliefs and expressed deep regret for his fatal actions. In his final words before his execution in 2011, Stroman said, “One second of hate will cause a lifetime of pain.”

Our stories have the power to connect, inspire, heal, and even save lives. As divisiveness continues to permeate our communities, Bhuiyan shares his story of resilience and reconciliation. Stories can help us replace ignorance with understanding, fear with acceptance, and hate with empathy—all pathways toward a more equitable, just, and peaceful society.

Rais Bhuiyan (he/him) is the founder of World Without Hate, a nonprofit focused on preventing and disrupting hate and violence and restoring peace and understanding through storytelling and empathy. His story is chronicled in *The True American: Murder & Mercy in Texas* by Anand Giridharadas. Bhuiyan lives in Seattle.

Date: Thursday, April 7, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-one-second-of-hate-a-story-of-forgiveness-8/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Southwest Seattle Historical Society.

Service Project: Fleece Tie Blankets

A drop-in program to help make fleece tie blankets that will be donated to organizations who service those in need. Open to current middle and high school students.

Date: Thursday, April 7, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Location: Spokane Valley Library, 12004 E Main Ave Spokane Valley

Cost: Free

For more information, visit <http://www.sclid.org/> or call 509.893.8400.

Murder at Manito by Chris Bieker

Local author Chris Bieker discusses and reads from her novel, *Murder at Manito* with an opportunity to purchase a signed copy of the book.

Date: Friday, April 7, 2022

Time: 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Location: Shadle Library, 2111 W Wellesley Ave

Cost: Free

For more information, visit <http://www.spokanelibrary.org/> or call 509.444.5390.

KYRS Community Radio: Page Turner Show

Get Lit Director, Kate Peterson discusses the upcoming Get Lit festival with Luke Leinberger.

Date: Friday, April 8, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Virtual via radio

Cost: Free

For more information visit their website at www.kyrs.org. To listen, go to 88.1, 92.3 or at www.kyrs.org.

Cuentacuentos en Español - Spanish Storytime

Read, sing and play along with stories, rhymes and songs entirely in Spanish. This program will be entirely in Spanish. Open to children ages 2-5 and their families. Los adultos y sus niños de edad preescolar leerán, cantarán y jugarán con cuentos, rimas y canciones en español. Este programa será en línea y completamente en español. Para niños de 2 a 5 años y sus familias

Date: Saturday, April 9, 2022

Time: 2:00 pm – 2:45 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must registration

For more information visit their website at <https://sclد.evanced.info/signup/list?df=list&nd=150&kw=Spanish>.

Proud Together – Pride Fundraiser Gala

Celebrate 30 years of Pride in Spokane! Keynote speaker J, Manny Santiago (he/she/they), Executive Director of WA State LGBTQ Commission. Live music, special guests, catered meal and commemorative 30th Anniversary Swag.

Date: Saturday, April 9, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Pavilion at Riverfront Park, doors open at 6:00 pm

Cost: General ticket \$125.00; General table of 8 \$100 per person, VIP ticket 150, VIP table of eight \$120 per person. For ages 16 and up.

For more information, visit <https://www.spokanepride.org/gala>.

The Continuing Case of Spokane Garry

Dr. David Beine will present current findings about the recently disputed location of this land and offer stories of the various characters involved in this historic land dispute.

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2022

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Location: Great Northern University, 611 E Indiana Ave

Cost: Free

For more information, visit <https://greatnorthernu.edu/>.

Fighting for Love: Strong Women in Onscreen Romances

How do film and television portray romance for strong, independent women?

Join Professor Allison Palumbo as they explore 40 years of fighting female characters onscreen—from private eyes to cops and spies—who struggle to find love. Even in these fictional worlds, where anything should be possible, romantic relationships tend to disempower female-bodied characters, no matter how kick-ass or otherwise empowered they might seem.

Learn how love has been constructed in American culture based on heterosexual norms and power dynamics that favor men's strength and independence. How do America's ideals for romance create inequitable relationships?

How can we imagine more inclusive and equitable ways of loving?

Allison Palumbo (they/them), or "Dr. P," is a professor of English and gender studies at Big Bend Community College. Palumbo's first book, *Love and the Fighting Female: A Critical Study of Onscreen Depictions*, reflects their lifelong love of all things romance and action. Palumbo lives in Moses Lake.

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2022

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register

For more information and to register, visit <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-fighting-for-love-strong-women-in-onscreen-romances-3/>. for more information and to register. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Sno-Isle Libraries.

Shen Yun

Shen Yun is a brilliant artistic revival and celebration of China's rich cultural heritage. Each performance consists of about 20 pieces, quickly moving from one legend, region, or dynasty to the next. Themes range from the delicate elegance of Tang court ladies to the battlefield heroics of valiant generals, from the timeless philosophical works of Lao-Tzu to spectacular scenes of magical realms.

Date: Tuesday/Wednesday, April 12/13, 2022

Time: 7:30 pm

Location: First Interstate Center for the Arts, 334 W Spokane Falls Blvd

Cost: \$80 - \$180

For more information, visit <http://www.inbpac.com/>.

Hispanic Business/Professional Association Membership Meeting

Sabes Qué? TBA

Date: Wednesday, April 13, 2022

Time: 6:00 pm– 7:30 pm

Location: TBD

For more information visit their website at www.hbpaofspokane.org.

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Date: Thursday, April 14, 2022

Time: 12:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below.

For more information and to register, visit <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-how-audio-technology-changed-the-world-13/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/> Hosted by Spokane Area Jewish Family Services.

KYRS Community Radio: Page Turner Show

Photojournalist Amy Gulick discusses her book, "The Salmon Way: an Alaska State of Mind."

Date: Friday, April 15, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Virtual via radio

Cost: Free

For more information visit their website at www.kyrs.org. To listen, go to 88.1, 92.3 or at www.kyrs.org.

Kalispel Tribe of Indians 2022 Spring Pow Wow

Dance contest in all categories, feed at dinner break, and arts and crafts vendors.

Date: Saturday, April 16, 2022

Time: 12:00 pm doors open, grand entries at 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Location: Northern Quest Casino Pavilion, Airway Heights

Cost: Free and open to the public

For more information call 509.680.2151.

NAACP General Membership Meeting

Date: Monday, April 18, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: On-line via Zoom

Cost: Free, meeting open to everyone.

For more information visit their Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/spokane.naacp/> or visit their website at <http://spokanenaacp.com/>.

The River That Made Seattle

Once teeming with bountiful salmon and fertile plains, Seattle's Duwamish River drew both Native peoples and settlers to its shores over centuries for trading, transport, and sustenance. Unfortunately, the very utility of the river was its undoing, as decades of dumping led to the river being declared a Superfund cleanup site.

Much of Washington's history has been told through the perspective of its colonizers, obscuring and mythologizing the changes to these lands that have long been occupied by Native peoples. Through the story of the river, author BJ Cummings explores previously unrecorded Native and immigrant histories, and exposes settler falsehoods about the founding of the state. The river's story is a call to action to align future decisions with values of collaboration, respect, and justice.

BJ Cummings (she/her) founded the Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition and manages community engagement for the University of Washington's Superfund Research Program. She is the author of *The River That Made Seattle: A Natural and Human History of the Duwamish*, and she was awarded the River Network's national River Hero award for her work leading community-based clean up and restoration of the Duwamish River. Cummings lives in Seattle.

Date: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 | Wednesday, April 20, 2022

Time: 1:30 pm | 6:30 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-the-river-that-made-seattle-11/> | <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-the-river-that-made-seattle-9/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Bellevue College | Auburn Online Speakers Bureau Event.

Diamonds in the Rough: The Gentrification of Rural Washington

Washington's rural communities are rapidly changing. Formerly reliant on working-class industries like mining, oil, and agriculture, an influx of wealthy amenities, outdoor recreation, and cultural activities. But in doing so, these newcomers are causing new inequalities.

Jennifer Sherman, will discuss both the glaring and the hidden effects of rural gentrification. Through the lens of a rural Washington community, Sherman explains how "class blindness" protects those with more privilege from fully recognizing social class inequalities. She advocates for the importance of getting to know the neighbors who are least like us so that we can minimize destructive social divides together.

Jennifer Sherman (she/her) is a professor of sociology at Washington State University. Her qualitative research focuses on poverty and inequality, mainly in the rural Northwest. Sherman lives in Moscow, ID.

Date: Wednesday April 20, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below.

For more information and to register, visit <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-diamonds-in-the-rough-the-gentrification-of-rural-washington-5/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Walla Walla Community College.

Azar Nafisi – Hagan Center Speaker

Azar Nafisi is a lifelong champion and ardent supporter of the importance of Humanities and Liberal Arts and the role they play in the preservation and promotion of democracy. She is best known as the author of the national bestseller *Reading Lolita in Tehran: A Memoir in Books*, which electrified its readers with a compassionate and often harrowing portrait of the Islamic revolution in Iran and how it affected one university professor and her students.

Date: Wednesday, April 20, 2022

Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: On-line, virtual event

Cost: Free, must register, visit the website below.

For more information and to register, visit <https://scc.spokane.edu/For-the-Community/Hagan-Foundation-Center-for-the-Humanities/Hagan-Center-Events>.

2022 Get Lit! Festival

In-person festival that also features many virtual events. Events will be presented at multiple venues across Spokane and Coeur d'Alene including The Hive, The Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture, Spokane Falls Community College, North Idaho College, The Catalyst, The Bing Crosby Theater, and The Montvale Event Center.

Date: April 21-24, 2022

Time: various

Location: In-person and on-line

Cost: \$15 for Saturday/Sunday daytime events at the Montvale Event Center. Many events are free, including all events on Thursday, April 21, 2022.

For more visit <https://inside.ewu.edu/getlit/2022-festival-information/>.

Native American Indian Youth Leadership Camp

Open to American Indian/Alaska Native Students, grades 7-12 (space limited). Focus includes but not limited to healthy active lifestyles, cultural revitalization, immersion suicide prevention, drug and alcohol prevention and unifying tribal communities.

Date: April 22, 2022

Time: 8:00 am – 8:00 pm

Location: Medical Lake

Cost: Free, application deadline April 8, 2022

For more information contact D'Marlo Moses at 509.325.5502 or dgmoses@nativeproject.org.

Native American Student Graduation

Date: April 22, 2022

Time: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Location: Via Zoom

Cost: Free,

Register by April 8, 2022, register at gonzaga.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2ltuSezph5R8Ndc

Active Living Expo

Educational and entertaining day designed specifically for 55+ and lived ones. Expo attendees will enjoy seminars, entertainment, and complimentary photos while meeting with vendors focused on health and wellness, travel and leisure, retirement planning and more.

Date: Saturday, April 23, 2022

Time: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Location: Davenport Grand, 333 West Spokane Falls Blvd

Cost: \$7.00, cash on site if tickets are not purchase ahead of time

For more information visit <https://www.spokesman.com/activelivingexpo>. Sponsored by The Spokesman Review and MultiCare.

The Art of Rebellion: Social Justice and Chicana/Chicano Visual Arts

How has art has been used to mobilize communities and disseminate messages of social justice? Is art just a commodity that is only accessible to the elite? How has the idea of “art for the people” shifted the way we look at art?

In this talk, Chicano artist Jake Prendez traces the history of social justice art, from the rise of Mexican muralism to its influence on American artwork from the civil rights era and the modern era. Explore how the means of production and new technologies made art accessible worldwide, and join Prendez as he deconstructs his own artwork to show how it relates to this greater narrative.

Jake Prende (he/him) is a renowned Chicano artist, and the owner and co-director of the Nepantla Cultural Arts Gallery in Seattle. His work is an amalgamation of his life experiences—a representation of his Chicano background and a reflection of his time living in both Seattle and Los Angeles.

Date: Saturday, April 23, 2022

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-the-art-of-rebellion-social-justice-and-chicana-chicano-visual-arts-4/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by King County Library System.

African American Student Graduation

Honoring African American students graduates from K-12, colleges and universities from Spokane and surrounding area.

Date: Saturday, April 23, 2022

Time: 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, doors open at 1:00, graduate line up at 12:45 pm

Location: Eastern Washington University Reese Court

Cost: Free

Register by April 12, 2022, register at cognitoforms.com/CarlMaxeyCenter/AfricanAmericanGraduation2022

Laughing Matters: Asian Americans, Comedy, and Inclusion

When we want to learn about the past, we turn to history books. When we want to learn how the past continues to live within us, we can turn to humor. While everyone finds different things funny, we all have experienced laughter as a signal of who belongs, and who does not.

Using clips of comedians and cartoons, Professor Michelle Liu explores how Asian Americans have experimented with humor to change patterns of belonging that everyone living in the United States has inherited. Join Liu to better understand the ways laughter can help us connect with each other and share how humor has shaped your understanding of inclusion.

Michelle Liu (she/her) is a professor of English and the associate director of writing programs at the University of Washington. She specializes in writing and exploring ideas about identity, history, emotion, and storytelling. She earned her PhD in American Studies from Yale. Liu lives in Seattle.

Date: Tuesday, April 26, 2022

Time: 12:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-laughing-matters-asian-americans-comedy-and-inclusion-5/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>.

Hosted by WA State Department of Enterprise Services.

Atomic Washington: Our Nuclear Past, Present, and Future

At the center of every nuclear weapon in the United States is a small pit of radioactive material manufactured at a top-secret facility in Eastern Washington, a facility which today remains the most radiologically contaminated site in the Western hemisphere.

Washington State's role in the nuclear era ranges far beyond the construction, operation, and ongoing cleanup of the Hanford nuclear reservation. Today, Washington has two operating nuclear reactors, one of which provides us with ten percent of our electricity. Radioactive substances are used in our state to cure diseases, build airplanes, detect pollutants, and power smoke detectors. Further, Naval Base Kitsap has the largest stockpile of nuclear weapons deployed anywhere in the country.

Author Steve Olson reveals the many influences of nuclear materials on Washington State, and the many ways in which our state has been a pioneer in the atomic age.

Steve Olson (he/him) is a writer who most recently authored *The Apocalypse Factory: Plutonium and the Making of the Atomic Age*. His books have been nominated in several local and national book awards. Raised in Eastern Washington, Olson now lives in Seattle.

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-atomic-washington-our-nuclear-past-present-and-future-4/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by

Walla Walla Community College Library.

YWCA Spokane Stand Against Racism

The evening will be hosted by Nicole Jenkins Rosenkrantz, Director of Community Relations & Partnerships for School District 81 and Co-chair of YWCA Spokane's Racial and Social Justice Committee. Caren Pacheco-Jones, Executive Director at Healthy and Justice Recovery Alliance will moderate the discussion with our panelists Stephaine Courtney, Executive Director of the Learning Project Early Childhood Research Center and Terri Anderson, Spokane Director/Lead in Policies for the Tenants Union of Washington State.

Date: Thursday, April 28, 2022

Time: 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm (5:30 pm-6:00 pm Performances by local artist, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm panel discussion with Q & A)

Location: On-line, link access provided upon registration and Woman's Club of Spokane, 1428 W 9th Ave

Cost: Free and open to the public, must register

To view the presentation, visit https://ywcaspokane.org/event/sar2022/?instance_id=551.

Chocolate & Champagne Gala ~ Legacy of Hope (Lutheran Community Services Northwest (LCS NW))

For 65 years, the programs of LCS Northwest's Inland Northwest District, including the Sexual Assault and Family Trauma (SAFeT) Response Center, have offered hope, resources, and healing to thousands of Spokane-area citizens whose lives have been altered by trauma and violent crime.

They help vulnerable children, families, immigrants and others overcome life's most difficult challenges to become flourishing members of society. Thanks to the support of their donors, they save lives and create thriving communities enriched by the diversity and strengths of people who have triumphed over adversity.

Dates: Friday, April 29, 2022

Time: 6:30 pm (live music with Pat Simmons), 7:00 pm (program, paddle raise and live auction)

Location: Barrister Winery or online link

Cost: Free, must register. 30 VIP Tickets for \$200 each with live tickets \$125

For more information visit <https://lcsnw.org/chocolate-champagne-gala-page-2-2/> to register.

The Samurai Code: How Bushido changes Lives

Bushido—the way of the warrior—is the code of ethics practiced by the samurai warriors of ancient Japan, a code which includes courage, integrity, benevolence, respect, honesty, honor, and loyalty.

Through her own story of using Bushido to overcome a traumatic brain injury, Lori Tsugawa Whaley shows how the code can help people find hope, resilience, and fulfillment in our rapidly changing world. She explores examples of ancient warriors like Tomoe Gozen and Saigo Takamori, as well as modern-day samurai warriors like the Japanese Americans who survived incarceration during World War II. She shows how Bushido instilled a determination and perseverance in Japanese society that remains evident to this day.

Lori Tsugawa Whaley (she/her) is a third-generation Japanese American and descendant of a samurai warrior. She is an author, speaker, life coach, and storyteller, and is passionate about sharing the code of Bushido. Whaley lives near Gig Harbor.

Date: Saturday, April 30, 2022

Time: 11:00 am

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below: For more information and to register, visit

<https://www.humanities.org/event/online-the-samurai-code-how-bushido-changes-lives-6/> Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Puyallup Valley Chapter, Japanese American Citizens League.

SAVE THE DATE

APIC-Spokane and PICA Student Graduation Ceremony

Honoring Asian/Asian Americans, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islanders students in the greater Spokane Center.

Date: Sunday, May 1, 2022.

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Location: Gonzaga University

Cost: Free

Register by April 3, 2020, register at docs.google.com/forms/d/12Y4IT0yjKy-GqgDHcfV_Mh3qh5k6RR6OBnSnPWaFtxY/

27th Annual Hispanic/Latino Graduate and Young Scholar Recognition Ceremony

All Hispanic/Latino(a) graduating students and young scholars (grades 7-11 with 3.0 gpa) from Spokane County schools and colleges/universities are invited to participate via on-line.

Date: Thursday, May 12, 2022

Time: 5:30 pm

Location: Spokane Community College

Cost: Free

For more information email hbpacereemony@gmail.com. Register by April 26, 2022 at docs.google.com/forms/d/1HJDYvIYnBext2zS7jUqNQIQbURJaWIIMIn9s827wb8Q/.

13th Annual Lavender Graduation 2022

Open to non-EWU graduates

Date: Friday, May 13, 2022

Time: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Location: EWU Hargreaves Reading Room

Cost: Free

Register by April 29, 2022, register at inside.ewu.edu/pridecenter/non-ewu-student-registration/.

10th Annual Family Fun Fair

Swag Bags for the first 500 attendees from the Coeur d’ Alence Casino, free lunch for the first free attendees from Spokane Quaranteen. Parenting Resources,

Date: Saturday, May 14, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Location: Riverfront Park

Cost: Free

For more information, visit their Facebook page at [NWFamilyFunFair](https://www.facebook.com/NWFamilyFunFair).

2nd Annual Asian Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Heritage Day

Live Performances, Northwest Hula, Samoan Fire – Knife Dancers, Historical Exhibits, Cultural Demo’s, Food Trucks and Community Luau.

Date: Saturday, May 14, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Location: Riverfront Park

Cost: Free

For more information, visit <https://www.spokaneunitedwestand.org/spokane-s-anhpi-heritage-day>.

6th Annual Salish Immersion Symposium

2021 Focus – Running an Immersion School: Curriculum (ages 1-5, grades K-5th); training new fluent teachers; and funding and management.

Date: Friday/Saturday, July 22/23, 2022

Time: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Location: Salish School of Spokane, 4125 N Maple

Cost: Early-bird Registration Fee (paid by July 1, 2022): \$400 US / \$500 Canadian per person. Regular Registration Fee (paid after July 1, 2022): \$450 US / \$560 Canadian per person

For more information and to register, visit <http://salishschoolofspokane.org/immersionsymposium2022.html> or email info@salishschoolofspokane.org.

Other Diversity/Cultural Information

Hispanic Business/Professional Association (HBPA) Foundation is accepting applications for their **scholarships** for graduating high school seniors and college/university undergraduates for the 2022/2023 year. Visit www.hbpaofspokane.org for information and scholarship letter/application, deadline April 27, 2022. For more information email <https://www.hbpaofspokane.org/copy-of-student-engagement>.

If you know of diversity/cultural event open to the public that you would like added to the monthly calendar, please e-mail Yvonne C. Montoya Zamora at yvonnecmz04@gmail.com with event details. For other events, visit www.visitspokane.com or <http://www.spokane7.com/>.

April 2022 National/International Cultural Celebrations

- April 1** **April Fools' Day - Canada, UK, USA, England**
Celebrated as a day when people play practical jokes and hoaxes on each other. The jokes and their victims are known as "April fools".
- Farvardin – Iran**
It is the 13th day after Nowruz or New Year. The number 13 is considered an unlucky number for the Persians, and therefore everyone leaves home for the day to go on picnics or trips.
- April 2** **World Autism Awareness Day – UN**
On World Autism Awareness Day and throughout April, which is Autism Awareness Month, local organizations hold a variety of events and educational activities to help the public learn more about autism spectrum disorder. Part of [Light it Up Blue](#) campaign, spearheaded by the autism community that aims to foster understanding and acceptance for those with autism. Supporters are encouraged to wear blue clothing and post to social media using the hashtag #LightItUpBlue to raise awareness.
- April 3** **Ramadan Begins - Islam**
This is the holiest month in the Islamic Year and begins at the sighting of the new moon. It commemorates the period during which Prophet Mohammad received divine revelations. Observing Muslims fast between the hours of sunrise and sunset during the entire month, read the Qu 'ran and worship in the mosque or at home.
- April 4** **Independence Day – Senegal**
Senegal gained partial independence from France today in 1960, with complete independence achieved upon the dissolution of the Mali Federation on August 20th of the same year.
- April 5** **Ch'ing Ming Festival – China, Taiwan**
A national holiday when family graves are visited to ask for the blessings of the departed spirits.
- April 6** **Chakri Day - Thailand**
A national holiday honoring King Rama I, who in 1782 founded the Chakri dynasty (which still rules the country) and established Bangkok as the country's capital.
- Organization of the Church – Christian-Mormon**
The Church of Latter-day Saints was founded on the sixth of April 1830 at Fayette, New York.
- April 7** **World Health Day - UN**
At least half of the world's people do not receive the essential health services they need. All UN member states have agreed to try to achieve universal health coverage (UHC) by 2030 as part of the Sustainable Developments Goals.
- Jalal (2nd month) - Baha'i**
The first day of the second Baha'i month. The English translation of Jalal (Arabic) is Glory.
- April 9** **Independence Day – Georgia**
- April 10** **Palm Sunday – Christian**
Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey and was cheered by crowds who strew branches in his path. It is observed by worship services and parades using palm branches.

- April 10** **Ram Navami – Hindu**
 Celebrates the birthday of Rama, the seventh incarnation of God Vishnu. Hindus read the Ramayan, a Hindu epic, which tells the story of Rama, during the previous eight days.
- April 13** **Songkran/New Year- Cambodia, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Thailand**
 In Southeast Asia, Songkran is recognized as the New Year for Buddhists. For Thais, it is a three-day religious festival in which homes are routinely cleaned, and water is sprinkled on monks paying visits and on statues of Buddha.
- Ugadi – India, Mauritius, Nepal**
 Ugadi marks the beginning of the new Hindu lunar calendar. Celebrated mainly in the southern states of India, people awake before the break of day, bathe and decorate the entrance of their homes with mango leaves. They eat bitter Neem leaves with sweet jaggery to signify the bitter and sweet of life.
- International Day of Pink – LGBT**
 Communities across the world unite in celebrating diversity and raising awareness to stop homophobic, transphobic & all forms of bullying.
- April 14** **Baisakhi - Bangladesh, Sikh, Hindu**
 The first day of the solar year, this is an agricultural festival celebrating the harvest especially in North India. In Kerala, South India this day is called Vishu. Especially important to the Sikhs, it marks this day in 1699, when the tenth Guru, Guru Gobind Singh, established the order of 'Khalsa'. The festival is a mixture of feasting, dancing and worship.
- Holy Thursday – Christian**
 On this day, Jesus ate the Last Supper and washed the feet of his disciples prior to his arrest and crucifixion.
- Boun Pinai - New Year – Laos**
 Lasts for 3-days. The last day of the festival marks the start of the new year.
- Mahavira Jayanti – Jain**
 This day celebrates the birthday of Lord Mahavira who was the 24th leader of the Jain religion and born around 599 B.C.
- April 15** **Adam's Peak Pilgrimage - Sri Lanka**
 It is an ancient pilgrimage site to the sacred mountain, Sri Pada. According to legend, when Buddha visited Sri Lanka, he planted one foot on the north of the royal city and the other foot on Sumana-Kuta (Adam's Peak), about a hundred miles distance.
- Good Friday – Christian**
 This day commemorates the passion and death by crucifixion of Jesus. Italian Catholics have a procession call the Way of the Cross.
- Father Damien Day – Hawaii**
 Anniversary date of Father Damien, a Roman Catholic priest and missionary's death of Hansen's disease on the island of Molokai, HI. He cared for sufferers of this disease, also known as Leprosy, continuing his missionary work on the island.

- April 16** **Pesach/Passover - Jewish**
Begin previous sundown at 6pm. Pesach lasts eight days. This time commemorates the Exodus of the Israelites from Egypt. It begins with a ritual meal 'Seder' when no leavened bread is consumed with special prayers and symbolic foods.
- April 17** **Easter – Christian**
This day celebrates the resurrection of Jesus from his grave. Most Christians welcome Easter Sunday with a sunrise service.
- Independence Day – Syria**
In remembrance of the date that French troops left the country in 1946.
- April 18** **Independence Day – Zimbabwe**
Independence from Britain was finally achieved this date in 1980.
- Easter Monday – Christian**
Commemorates the meeting of women at Jesus' tomb with an angel who assured them that Jesus had been resurrected from death. It is observed as a holiday in some countries.
- April 20-** **Feast of Ridvan thru May 2 - Baha'i**
Ridvan means paradise and the 12-day festival is the holiest time for the Baha'is. Commemorates Baha'u'llah's stay in the Garden of Ridvan in the last days of his exile in Baghdad and announced he was the prophet who's coming had been foretold. Baha'is do not work on the 1st, 9th, and 12th days of Ridvan.
- Administrative Professionals Day- Canada, USA**
On this day, workplaces all over the country acknowledge secretaries, administrative staff, and other support personnel for their contributions.
- April 21** **Kartini Day- Indonesia**
This day commemorates Indonesia's first women's emancipationist. There are parades, lectures and social activities attended by women, all wearing their regional dress. Mothers aren't allowed to work as the family does the house chores. Many go on a pilgrimage to the grave of Kartini who died at age 24.
- Maundy Thursday – Christian – Coptic and Eastern Orthodox**
On this day, Jesus ate the Last Supper and washed his feet of his disciples prior to his arrest and crucifixion.
- April 22** **Earth Day - International**
Earth Day is celebrated around the world and events such as festivals and rallies are often organized for the weekends before or after April 22. Many communities also celebrate Earth Month by organizing a series of environmental activities throughout the month of April. The purpose of Earth Day is to celebrate the earth and renew our commitment to building a safer, healthier and cleaner world for all of us.
- Holy Friday - Christian – Coptic and Eastern Orthodox**
Commemorates the passion and death by crucifixion of Jesus and is a solemn day. Eastern Orthodox members fast on this day. Macedonians make a plashtanitsa or picture of the dead Jesus on a large cloth to be carried in a procession.

April 23

St. George's Day - Christian

St. George is the patron saint of England. He died in 303 AD. His emblem, a red cross on a white background, is the symbol of the International Red Cross and on the flag of England. It also forms part of the Union Jack and flags of Scotland and Northern Ireland. The Bulgarians and Macedonians celebrate it on May 6.

National Sovereignty Day and Children's Day - Turkey

Commemorates the first Grand National Assembly in 1923, and also honors youth as the symbol of modern Turkey.

Matsu – Festival – China, Taiwan

Matsu saved her brother from drowning and at the age of 28 and ascended into heaven. She earned the title of Goddess of the Sea and is the patron of fisherman. There are rites and processions at Matsu temples.

April 24

Martyrs' Day - Armenia

Commemorates the 1915 Turkish massacre of 2 million Armenians.

Pasha/Easter – Christian, Coptic, Eastern Orthodox

This day the resurrection of Jesus from his grave. Most Christians welcome Easter Sunday with a sunrise service.

April 25

Anzac Day – Australia, New Zealand

This is the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The soldiers in those forces quickly became known as ANZACs, and the pride they soon took in that name endures to this day. Today it honors those who died in both World Wars as well as in the Korean and Vietnam Wars.

Easter Monday - Christian Coptic, Easter Orthodox

Commemorates the meeting of the women at Jesus tomb with an angel who assured them that Jesus had been resurrected from death. It is observed as a holiday in some countries.

April 27

Freedom Day - South Africa

Commemorates the day in 1994 when for the first time, all South Africans had the opportunity to vote.

Kings Day – Netherlands

Celebrated King's Day (*Koningsdag*) for the first time in 2014, after the inauguration of King Willem-Alexander on 30 April 2013 (what was then still Queen's Day). The entire country is painted orange and the streets, canals and parks overflow with celebrations.

Independence Day - Togo

Commemorates the proclamation of the independence of Togo from France in 1960.

Jamal (3rd Month) – Baha'i

The first day of the third Baha'i month. The English translation of Jamal (Arabic) is Beauty.

April 28

Gathering of Nations Pow Wow – Aboriginal/Indigenous/Native American

A three-day celebration that brings over 700 tribes and nations to Albuquerque, New Mexico. This is the largest Pow Wow in North America. Over 3,000 participants share, teach and exchange traditions.

- April 28** **Yom HaSoah – Israel, Jewish**
 Holocaust Memorial Day commemorates the death of 6-million Jews by the Nazis.
- Laylat al Qadr - Islam**
 Night of Power, commemorates the revelation of the Qur'an to Prophet Muhammad in 610 CE. It begins the previous evening.
- Daughters/Sons to Work Day - USA**
 On this day, launched by Ms. Magazine in 1993, parents introduced their children to the world of work.
- April 29** **Showa-no-hi – Japan**
 Commemorates the birth of Emperor Showa (Hirohito) (1901-1989), the reigning Emperor before, during, and after WWII (1926-1989). The official purpose of the holiday is "To reflect on Japan's Showa period when recovery was made after turbulent days, and to think of the country's future.
- Arbor Day - USA**
 A day celebrated to encourage tree planting. Founded in 1872 by J. Sterling Morton. Celebrated the last Friday in April.
- April 30** **Walpurgis Night – Sweden**
 Walpurgis is Sweden's annual feast of the witches. Huge bonfires are lit all over the country to scare them away as they fly overhead, headed for their annual Sabbath in Brocken in the Harz Mountains in Germany.
- Gahambar Maidyozarem (April 30-May 4) – Zoroastrian**
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While Book Banned week is recognized in September (September 18-24, 2022), I have listed several lists of banned books for your spring/summer reading list. Some of my favorite books are on one/both lists. I encourage you to read one of the books listed on both/either list:

2020 Banned & Challenged Books

American Library Association's (ALA) Office for Intellectual Freedom (OIF) receives reports from libraries, schools, and the media on attempts to ban books in communities across the country. We compile lists of challenged books in order to inform the public about censorship efforts that affect libraries and schools. OIF tracked 156 challenges to library, school, and university materials and services in 2020. This is a complete list of book titles that were banned, challenged, or restricted during the year.

Every title underlined below is listed in the American Library Association “Field Report 2020: Banned and Challenged Books” with more information. Check out these annual bibliographies at <https://www.ala.org/advocacy/bbooks>. The Top 10 Most Challenged Books are listed in purple.

10,000 Dresses by Marcus Ewert

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

A Child Called "It": One Child's Courage to Survive by Dave Pelzer

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain

A is for Activist by Innosanto Nagara

All American Boys by Jason Reynolds, Brendan Kiely

American Street by Ibi Zoboi

And Tango Makes Three by Justin Richardson, Peter Parnell

Anime from Akira to Howl's Moving Castle: Experiencing Contemporary Japanese Animation by Susan Napier

Anne Frank: Diary of a Young Girl Anne Frank by Anne Frank

Anne Frank (graphic novel adaption) by Ari Folman

The Astonishing Color of After by Emily Pan

A Tale of Two Daddies by Vanita Oelschlager

A Walk Among the Tombstones by Lawrence Block

Baby Teeth by Zoje Stage

Bass Reeves: Tales of the Talented Tenth by Joel Christian Gill

Beet Fields: Memories of a Sixteenth Summer by Gary Paulsen

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates

The Bluest Eye by Toni Morrison

The Book of David by Anonymous

Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Breaking Bailey by Anonymous

Bringing Back the Wolves: How a Predator Restored an Ecosystem by Jude Isabella

Bronx Masquerade by Nikki Grimes

Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

Burned by Ellen Hopkins

Calling Maggie May by Anonymous

Captain Underpants and the Preposterous Plight of the Purple Potty People by Dav Pilkey

Captain Underpants and the Terrifying Return of Tippy Tinkletrousers by Dav Pilkey

Catalyst Laurie by Halse Anderson

The Cay by Theodore Taylor

Check Please by Ngozi Ukazu

Catch-22 by Joseph Heller

Cinder by Marissa Meyer

Clap When You Land by Elizabeth Acevedo

Crank by Ellen Hopkins

Crippled America by Donald Trump

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon

Dangerous Pleasures by Beatrice Small

Darkest Part of the Forest by Holly Black

A Day in the Life of Marlon Bundo by Jill Twiss

Dear Martin by Nic Stone

The Deep & Dark Blue by Nikki Smith

Diamond Boy by Michael Williams

Drama by Raina Telgemeier

Dumpty: The Age of Trump in Verse by John Lithgow

Educated by Tara Westover

Egg to Chick by Millicent Selsam

Eleven by Tom Rogers
Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis
Fallout by Ellen Hopkins
The Fault in Our Stars by John Green
Flamer by Mike Curato
Front Desk by Kelly Yang
Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic by Alison Bechdel
Gay and Lesbian History for Kids by Jerome Pohlen
Gay Men and Anal Eroticism by Steven Underwood
Gender Queer by Maia Kobabe
George by Alex Gino
Ghost Boys by Jewell Parker Rhodes
Gimmie Everything You got by Iva Marie Palmer
Glass by Ellen Hopkins
Go Ask Alice! by Anonymous
The Great Big Book of Families by Mary Hoffman
The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald
The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
Hedgehog: A Sharp Lesson in Love by Benn Sutton, Dan Pinto
Hey Kiddo by Jarrett Krosoczka
Hop on Pop by Dr Seuss
House Arrest by K.A. Holt (Kari Anne)
How to Talk to a Liberal (If You Must) by Ann Coulter
I Am Jazz by Jessica Herthel, Jazz Jennings
Identical by Ellen Hopkins
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou
Impulse by Ellen Hopkins
Introducing Teddy: A Gentle Story About Gender and Friendship by Jessica Walton
Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison
It Feels Good To Be Yourself: A Book About Gender Identity by Theresa Thorn
It's Just a Plant: A Children's Story about Marijuana by Ricardo Cortes
Ivy Aberdeen's Letter to the World by Ashley Herring Blake
Jacob's New Dress by Sarah Hoffman
Jay's Journal by Anonymous
Jazz Jennings: Voice for LGBTQ Youth by Ellen Rodger
Joe's Garage by Frank Zappa
Julian is a Mermaid by Jessica Love
The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini
Letting Ana Go by Anonymous
Letting Go by Maya Banks
Lily and Dunkin by Donna Gephart
Lily the Thief by Janne Kukkonen
The List of Things That Will Not Change by Rebecca Stead
Little & Lion by Brandy Colbert
Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds
Lord of the Flies by William Golding
Los Viajes de Babar by Jean de Brunhoff
Lucy in the Sky by Anonymous
Magic for Sale by Carrie Clickard
The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline
Me and Earl and the Dying Girl by Jesse Andrews
Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy by Rey Terciero
Miles Morales: Spider-Man by Jason Reynolds

Milk and Honey by Rupi Kaur
Mommy, Mama, and Me by Leslea Newman
Montana 1948 by Larry Watson
Monster by Walter Dean Myers
Morris Micklewhite and the Tangerine Dress by Christine Baldacchino
My Bloody Life by Reymundo Sanchez
My Princess Boy by Cheryl Kilodavis
My Sister's Keeper by Jodi Picoult
My Two Dads by Claudia Harrington
My Two Moms by Claudia Harrington
Naruto by Masashi Kishimoto
The Odyssey by Homer
Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck
Once a King, Always a King by Reymundo Sanchez
On The Come Up by Angie Thomas
Openly Straight by Bill Konigsberg
Papa, Daddy, and Riley by Seamus Kirst
Pax by Sara Pennypacker
The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo
Pride by Ibi Zoboi
Prince and Knight by Daniel Haack
The Queer Advantage by Andrew Gelwicks
Ready Player One by Ernest Cline
Real Sisters Pretend by Megan David Lambert
Red: A Crayon's Story by Michael Hall
Rick by Alex Gino
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor
Roman Sex: 100 B.C. to 250 A.D. by John R. Clarke
Ron's Big Mission by Rose Blue, Corinne Naden
The Room Where It Happened: A White House Memoir by John Bolton
The Round House by Louise Erdrich
Ruins by Peter Kuper
Scarlett & Dilcey by Margarethe Zuber-Keller
Scythe by Neal Shusterman
Seven Deadly Sins by Nakaba Suzuki
Skin I'm In by Sharon Flake
Slaughterhouse-Five by Kurt Vonnegut
Smoke by Ellen Hopkins
Smokey by Bill Peet
Snapdragon by Kat Leyh
Snow, Glass, Apple by Neil Gaiman
Soldier Boy by Keely Hutton
Sold by Patricia McCormick
Somebody Else's Daughter by Elizabeth Brundage
Something Happened in Our Town: A Child's Story About Racial Injustice by Marianne Celano, Marietta Collins, Ann Hazzard
Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson
Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You by Jason Reynolds, Ibram X. Kendi
Street Magic by Tamora Pierce
Take Your Pick of Disgusting Foods by G.G. Lake
The Thanksgiving Story by Alice Dalgliesh
The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien
Thirteen Reasons Why by Jay Asher

This Day in June by Gayle E. Pitman
This is My America by Kim Johnson
This is my Family: A First Look at Same Sex Parents by Pat Thomas
Three Little Words by Ashley Rhodes-Courter
Tilt by Ellen Hopkins
To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
Traffick by Ellen Hopkins
Tricks by Ellen Hopkins
The True Adventures of Esther the Wonder Pig by Steve Jenkins, Derek Walter
The Twin by Natasha Preston
The Twin Towers by David Abbott
Ugly Duckling by Lorinda Cauley, Hans Christian Anderson
Uncle Bobby's Wedding by Sarah S Brannen
The Undefeated by Kwame Alexander
Watch Us Rise by Renee Watson
The Wave by Todd Strasser
What Lane? by Torrey Maldonado
When Aidan Became a Brother by Kyle Lukoff
When Boys and Girls Become Men and Women by Jorg Muller
White Fragility: Why it's so Hard for White People to Talk about Racism by Robin DiAngelo
Who are You? The Kid's Guide to Gender Identity by Brook Pessin-Whedbee
Wings of Fire (series) by Tui T. Sutherland
You Should See Me in a Crown by Leah Johnson

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Downloaded March 31, 2022 from <https://www.oif.ala.org/oif/2020-banned-challenged-books-list/>.

Top 100 Most Banned and Challenged Books: 2010-2019

The American Library Association's Office for Intellectual Freedom (OIF) has been documenting attempts to ban books in libraries and schools since 1990. OIF compiled this list of the most banned and challenged books from 2010-2019 by reviewing both the public and confidential censorship reports it received. This list draws attention to literary censorship but only provides a snapshot of book challenges. About 82-97% of challenges remain unreported, estimates OIF, which compared results from several independent studies of third-

1. *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie
2. *Captain Underpants* (series) by Dav Pilkey
3. *Thirteen Reasons Why* by Jay Asher
4. *Looking for Alaska* by John Green
5. *George* by Alex Gino
6. *And Tango Makes Three* by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell
7. *Drama* by Raina Telgemeier
8. *Fifty Shades of Grey* by E. L. James
9. *Internet Girls* (series) by Lauren Myracle
10. *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison
11. *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini
12. *Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins
13. *I Am Jazz* by Jazz Jennings and Jessica Herthel
14. *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* by Stephen Chbosky

15. *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
16. *Bone* (series) by Jeff Smith
17. *The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls
18. *Two Boys Kissing* by David Levithan
19. *A Day in the Life of Marlon Bundo* by Jill Twiss
20. *Sex is a Funny Word* by Cory Silverberg
21. *Alice McKinley* (series) by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
22. *It's Perfectly Normal* by Robie H. Harris
23. *Nineteen Minutes* by Jodi Picoult
24. *Scary Stories* (series) by Alvin Schwartz
25. *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson
26. *A Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley
27. *Beyond Magenta: Transgender Teens Speak Out* by Susan Kuklin
28. *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck
29. *The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood
30. *The Hate U Giv* by Angie Thomas
31. *Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic* by Alison Bechdel
32. *It's a Book* by Lane Smith
33. *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
34. *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien
35. *What My Mother Doesn't Know* by Sonya Sones
36. *A Child Called "It"* by Dave Pelzer
37. *Bad Kitty* (series) by Nick Bruel
38. *Crank* by Ellen Hopkins
39. *Nickel and Dimed* by Barbara Ehrenreich
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41. *The Adventures of Super Diaper Baby* by Dav Pilkey
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