

## SPECIAL EXHIBIT

### Frederick Douglass: AGITATOR

Human rights activist Frederick Douglass used his masterful speeches and writing to push for true social justice. This special exhibit coincides with Douglass' bicentennial year.



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**HOURS**  
Daily 10am–5pm  
(extended hours vary by season, see website)

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Adults \$12  
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Students (with valid ID) \$8  
Children (age 12 & under) FREE  
Members FREE



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## EVENTS CALENDAR

### August-September 2018



# EVENTS

## AUGUST

**4, 11, 18, 25**  
**Little Squirrels Storytime**  
*Every Saturday in August*  
**10:30am**

Bring your little book lover to our children's storytime every Saturday morning.

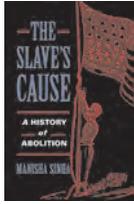
**Children's Literature Gallery.** For preschool-age children with a caregiver. Free. Museum admission not included.



**2 Manisha Sinha: The Slave's Cause**  
**Thursday, August 2, 6:30pm**

University of Connecticut  
 Department of History Chair  
 Manisha Sinha presents her book *The Slave's Cause: A History of Abolition*, winner of the 2017 Frederick Douglass Book Prize.

Books will be sold before and after the event. **Readers Hall. General Public. Free with museum admission.**



**8 Kenneth B. Morris: The Legacy of Frederick Douglass**  
**Wednesday, August 8, 6:30pm**

A descendant of Frederick Douglass and Booker T. Washington, and founder of the Frederick Douglass Family Initiatives, discusses Douglass's influence in the past, present and future.

**Readers Hall. General Public. Free with museum admission.**



**16 Science Friday: A Celebration of Great Science Writing**  
**Thursday, August 16, 6:30pm**

NPR's Science Friday comes for a celebration of Great Science Writing with authors Terry Tempest Williams and David Quammen. Books will be sold before and after the event.

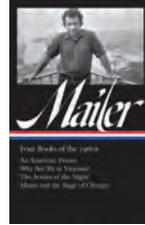
**Readers Hall. General Public. \$25 admission.**



**27 Special Event: Norman Mailer and The Siege of Chicago**  
**Monday, August 27, 6:30 pm**

An event in honor of the publication of Norman Mailer's Library of America volumes, with Mailer scholar J. Michael Lennon and NPR's Maureen Corrigan in conversation. Books will be sold before and after the event.

**Readers Hall. General Public. Free with museum admission.**



## SEPTEMBER

**1, 8, 15, 22, 29**  
**Little Squirrels Storytime**  
*Every Saturday in September*  
**10:30am**

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**Children's Literature Gallery.** For preschool-age children with a caregiver. Free. Museum admission not included.



**4 Surprise Bookshelf Series: Fearless Women in Science Fiction**  
**Tuesday, September 4, 6:30pm**

Mary Robinette Kowal (*The Fated Sky*), Sue Burke (*Semiosis*) and Tessa Gratton (*The Queens of Innis Lear*) read from their novels and talk sci-fi writing as women in the contemporary era. Books will be sold before and after the event.

**Readers Hall. General Public. Free with museum admission.**



**6 David L. Carlson: The Hunting Accident**  
**Thursday, September 6, 6:30pm**

Written by Carlson and illustrated by Landis Blair, *The Hunting Accident* is a graphic novel telling the true story of Charlie Rizzo and his father Matt, who was blinded during an armed robbery. Books will be sold before and after the event.

**Readers Hall. General Public. Free with museum admission.**



**11 Surprise Bookshelf Series: Nnedi Okorafor**  
**Tuesday, September 11, 6:30pm**

An evening with the international award-winning and national bestselling author of *Who Fears Death* (A World Fantasy award-winner) and *Black Panther: Long Live the King* among many other works. Books will be sold before and after the event.

**Readers Hall. General Public. Free with museum admission.**



**20 The Frederick Douglass Mixtape**  
**Thursday, September 20, 6:30pm**

A one-night-only workshop and open mic with Young Chicago Authors' Tim "Toaster" Henderson responding to AWM's new exhibit, *Frederick Douglas: Agitator*.

**Readers Hall. General Public. Free.**



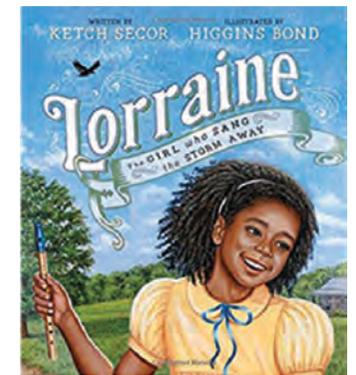
## Save the Date!

**Saturday, October 6, 6:30pm**

**Singers & Songwriters: Ketch Secor**

Old Crow Medicine Show founder and Grammy award-winning musician Ketch Secor presents his new book *Lorraine*, with illustrator Higgins Bond. It's a "sweeping, epic Americana story about the power of music and family."

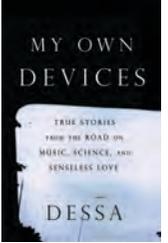
**Readers Hall. General Public. \$18 admission includes book.**



**21 Singers & Songwriters: Dessa**  
**Friday, September 21, 6:30pm**

Rapper, singer and essayist Dessa talks poetry and lyrics and her new book, *My Own Devices*. Books will be sold before and after the event.

**Readers Hall. General Public. \$26 admission includes book.**



**27 Surprise Bookshelf Series: Ken Krimstein: The Three Escapes of Hannah Arendt**  
**Thursday, Sept. 27, 6:30pm**

The *New Yorker* cartoonist's page-turning graphic biography of Hannah Arendt, the most prominent philosopher of the twentieth century. Books will be sold before and after the event.

**Readers Hall. General Public. Free with museum admission.**

