

International Read to Me Day

International Read to Me Day is **March 19!** Here at Durham County Library, we host dozens of storytimes each month. What better way to celebrate the day than to come out to one of those events? Please view [our full storytime calendar](#) to find a day and time that works for you and your family.



Women's History Month at Durham County Library

March is Women's History Month, and Durham County Library is here to celebrate! Below are a handful of programs to celebrate women and their contributions to our history. For a full selection of Women's History Month programs, please [view our events calendar](#).

Women's History Bingo
Wednesday, March 19, 6 - 7:30 p.m.
[Main Library](#)
[Registration Required](#)

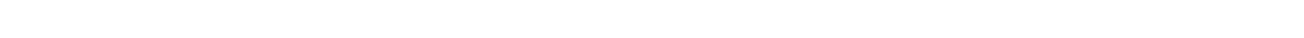
This is bingo with a twist, a trivia twist! The question will be provided, and you have to know the correct answer. In honor of Women's History Month, the bingo categories will include women owned-companies, women in STEAM, FEMtech, and more.

Moving Forward Together
Monday, March 24, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
[Main Library](#)
[Registration Required](#)

Join us to be inspired by local women leaders who are making a difference in our communities. Join Secretary of State Elaine Marshall and Councilwoman Javier Caballero as they discuss Durham's role in the global community. Light refreshments will be served. This program is supported by the Durham Library Foundation.

Documentary Showing: *Fly With Me*
Wednesday, March 26, 6 - 8 p.m.
[South Regional Library](#)
[Registration Required](#)

Flight attendants, particularly the pioneering women in the profession, challenged social norms and advocated for gender equality. *Fly With Me* tells the story of those women who traveled the world, gained independence, and confronted the limitations placed on them in the 20th century.



The African American Legacy in Gardening and Horticulture

The [second annual African American Legacy in Gardening and Horticulture](#) is scheduled for Saturday, March 29. This daylong event will run from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the [Hayti Heritage Center at 804 Fayetteville Street](#). Speeches will cover topics as varied as urban forestry, environmental literature, and the ethno-botanical influence of Africans on the American landscape. [Registration is required](#). This program is supported by the Durham Library Foundation.



St. Patrick's Day at Durham County Library

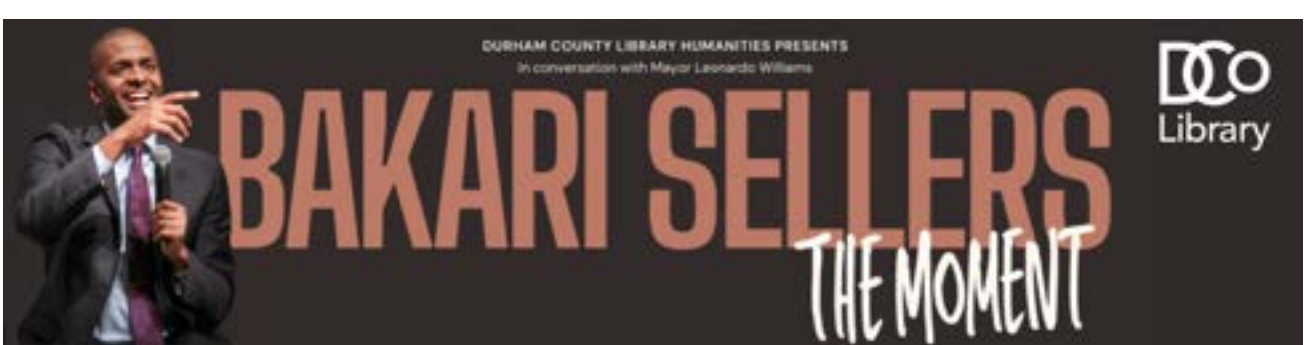
On March 17 each year, Irish people and the diaspora around the world celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Originally a celebration of the Christianization of Ireland, the holiday has become a celebration of Irish identity. Below are some selections from our catalog about Irish history and culture.

[Twenty Years A-Growing](#)
[Written by Maurice O'Sullivan](#)
E-Audiobook

Originally published in Irish Gaelic as *Fiche Bliain ag Fás*, Muiris Ó Súilleabháin's (anglicized as Maurice O'Sullivan) *Twenty Years A-Growing* is a memoir of the author's life and the culture he was part of on the Great Blasket Island. An Irish-speaking archipelago off the west coast of Ireland, the Blasket Islands were inhabited by fishing communities until the islands were abandoned in 1954 due to population decline. *Twenty Years A-Growing* is a riveting example of an oral tradition recorded in writing, and as a result makes a fantastic e-audiobook.

[The Wind That Shakes the Barley](#)
[Directed by Ken Loach](#)
DVD

Loosely based on the story of Tom Barry's Flying Column in West County Cork, Ken Loach's *The Wind That Shakes the Barley* tells the story of two brothers during the Irish War of Independence. The Irish War of Independence lasted from 1919-1921 and was characterized by a guerilla campaign by the Irish against the British Empire's notorious Black and Tans, a force of traumatized WWI veterans known for their brutality. Featuring a young Cillian Murphy - later of *Peaky Blinders* fame - *The Wind That Shakes the Barley* encapsulates the historical and cultural tensions that underwrote the conflict.



Durham County Library Humanities Presents Bakari Sellers

Wednesday, March 26, 6 - 7:30 p.m.
[Main Library](#)
[Registration Required](#)

A prominent voice in contemporary discourse, Bakari Sellers is a distinguished lawyer, political analyst, and author whose work embodies a commitment to social justice and civil rights. Sellers will be in conversation with Durham Mayor Leonardo Williams. Registration secures a priority seat up until 5:45 p.m. From 5:45 - 6 p.m., seating will be first come first served. This program is supported by the Durham Library Foundation.



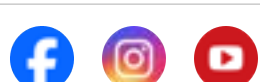
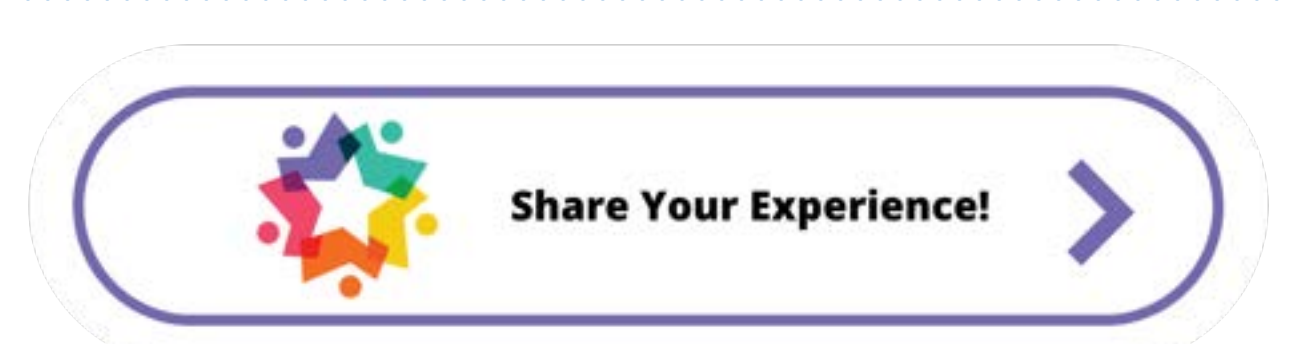
Upcoming Friends of the Durham Library Events

The Friends of the Durham Library is a member-supported, all-volunteer 501(c)(3) organization that supports Durham County Library through staff scholarships, programming grants, and more. The Friends sell gently used books, CDs, DVDs, and games donated by the community. For upcoming events, membership information, donation instructions, and more, please [visit the Friends' website](#).

You can shop for books any time at the [Friends' online storefront](#). Each month, the Friends discount books in certain categories in their online store by 25%, so be sure to check their website for March's discount!

In-Person Sale Booksale
[Books Among Friends, 3825 S. Roxboro Street](#)
Friday, March 7, 3 - 7 p.m. *Members Only*
Saturday, March 8, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Friends of the Durham Library will host an in-person sale at their bookstore, Books Among Friends, on Friday, March 7 and Saturday, March 8. With over 20,000 fine donated books in stock, there will be something suitable for readers of all ages and interests. There will also be a wide selection of puzzles and games. The Friday sale is reserved for members and will be 25% off the Friends' already-low prices. [Become a member on the Friends' website](#), or feel free to sign up at the door. The Saturday sale will be open to the general public.



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