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## **Durham County Library to Celebrate Fifth Annual Library Fest: The North Carolina Edition**

**Durham, NC** — From Monday, April 7 to Saturday, April 12, Durham County Library will hold the fifth annual Library Fest. This year's theme is The North Carolina Edition. Thanks to the generous support of the Durham Library Foundation and community partners, Durham County Library proudly provides free access to world-class author talks and programs. Programs from headline speakers will complement over 40 North Carolina-themed events happening throughout Durham over the course of the week.

Opening this year's edition of Library Fest on Monday, April 7 is renowned sociologist and award-winning author of *Lower Ed* and *Thick* Tressie McMillan Cottom, who will speak at Main Library from 6 – 8 p.m. On Thursday, April 10, author Dr. Zelda Lockhart will deliver a talk entitled "Writing Your Multigenerational Story" from 4 – 6 p.m. at Duke University's Nasher Museum of Art. Young adult author Nita Tyndall will host an event on Saturday, April 12 from 4 – 5:30 p.m. at Main Library. Rounding out the headliners is author Abriana Johnson, who will hold fun and inspiring Cowgirl Camryn events with Encore the Miniature Horse throughout the week at most Durham County Library locations. Please see the <u>Library Fest website</u> for more information on all our event offerings.

"Each year, Library Fest highlights everything that's great about Durham County Library," said Stephanie Fennell, Durham County Library Deputy Director. "We can't wait to welcome the community to our spaces throughout the County."

Durham Library Foundation president Arthur Rogers also expressed his excitement about this year's festivities. "The Foundation always looks forward to sponsoring Library Fest. The support we provide is thanks to the Durham community's generous donations. I can't think of a better way to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Durham Library Foundation!"

**About the Durham Library Foundation** 

Durham County Library receives generous funding from the Durham Library Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization founded 25 years ago to develop and encourage the long-term financial health and growth of Durham County Library.

## **About Durham County Library**

Durham County Library encourages discovery, connects the community, and leads in literacy. For more information about the library, visit <u>DurhamCountyLibrary.org.</u>

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