



Columbia Heights Public Library

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TO: Renee Dougherty, Library Director
FROM: Cortni O'Brien, Adult Services Librarian
SUBJECT: Adult Services –October 2021 Operational Report
DATE: October 29, 2021

I. Adult Programs and Displays

- a. The Sister Cities organization set up a Polish culture and history display in recognition of National Polish-American Heritage Month (October).
- b. Monthly book displays included Polish books and new books.
- c. On Oct. 11, Urban Forestry Specialist Liam Genter presented a program on basic tree identification. Thirteen adults were in attendance.
- d. On Oct. 16, the library partnered with the HeightsNEXT community group to bring a “Dia de los Muertos/Day of the Dead” cultural celebration to the library. Total attendance included 14 adults and youth. Attendees made a traditional ofrenda, painted sugar skulls, and learned about the Mexican holiday traditions through a slide presentation.
- e. Parcel Arts presented a Legacy Amendment program on October 18. Ten adults attended “Watercolor Lemon Branch.”
- f. The Adult Book Club met on Oct. 20 to discuss “The Great Alone” by Kristin Hannah. Five adults attended.
- g. Mayor Marquez Simula and I hosted the second Mayor’s Book Discussion of “Flight Behavior” by Barbara Kingsolver. Four adults participated in the discussion.
- h. Thirty take and make “Tiny Art Kits” were distributed throughout the month—art will be displayed in November.
- i. Six deliveries were made to At-Home Patrons.

II. Meetings

- a. Check in with Renee, Oct. 7
- b. The Friends of the Library met on Oct. 13, for the first time since February of 2020.
- c. I attended training on the new BS and A software with the Finance Department on Oct. 13.

III. Projects

- a. Copy for the winter edition of Heights Happenings was submitted and finalized.
- b. Year-end orders were placed for the adult audiobook collection.