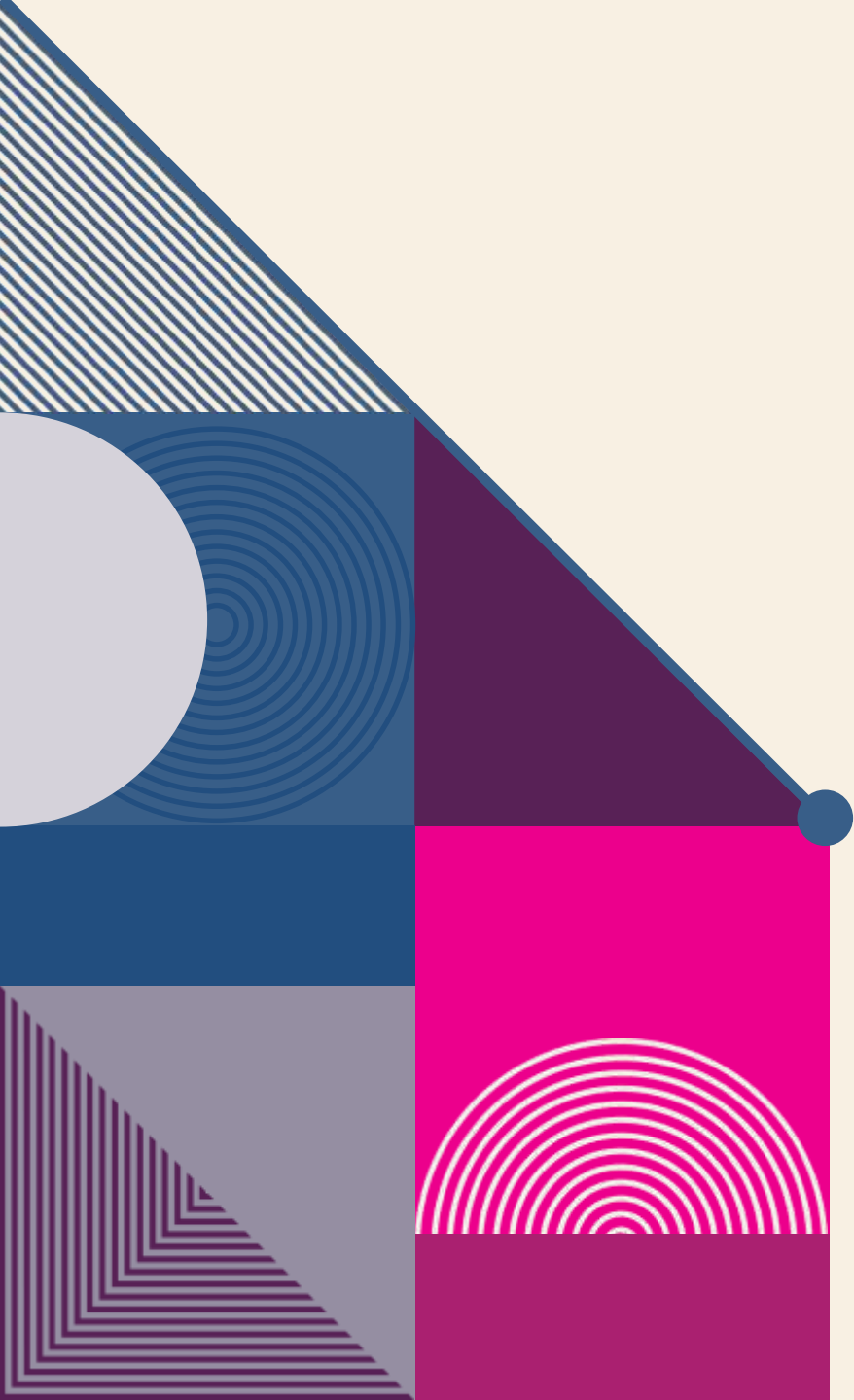




ATWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024



PRESENTATIONS

Overview of library grants and programs

REGULAR AGENDA

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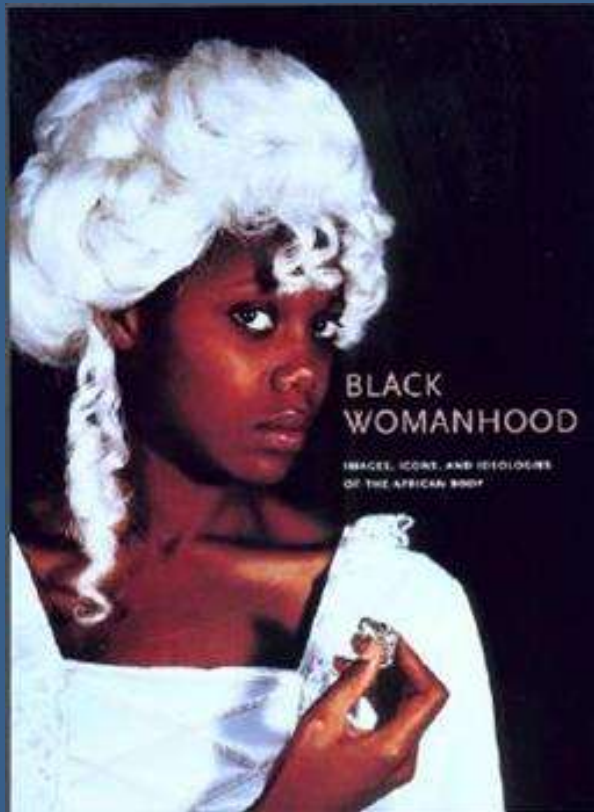
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OVERVIEW OF LIBRARY GRANTS AND PROGRAMS

A.R.T. LIBRARY PROGRAM



**THE
PERFORMANCE
OF BECOMING
HUMAN**
**DANIEL
BORZUTZKY**



The organization A.r.t R.esources T.ransfer's program "A.R.T. Library Program" grant public libraries, schools, and reading centers a selection of contemporary art books annually.

Atwell Public Library was granted 405 books for the permanent collection and Community Library.

SOLAR ECLIPSE ACTIVITIES FOR LIBRARIES (SEAL)



Through the Space Science Institute sponsored by the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation:

The SEAL Program has granted the Atwell Public Library with **500 eclipse glasses** and resources to host activities and safety information for our community before the **total solar eclipse on Monday, April 8, 2024.**



THINKING MONEY FOR KIDS PROGRAM (TM4K)



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ALL-IN-ONE KIT
FOR CHILDREN'S
FINANCIAL EDUCATION
PROGRAMMING



Grant from American Library Association (ALA) and Firna Investor Education Foundation:

- Kids' programs for children to learn about personal finance.
- Launchpad tablets with pre-loaded financial educational games.
- Program starts September 2024.

READSQUARED APP



The library is subscribed to READSquared for 1 year.

The reading program app:

- Helps to manage patron accounts and prizes.
- Motivates children and adults to join ongoing reading challenges.
- Ties into national challenges -Ex: **Smokey Bear 80th Birthday Reading Challenge.**
- Incentives - prizes, virtual badges, reading certificates.
- Minigames, in-app books, missions and activities for more points!



READSQUARED PROGRAMS

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

- For kids 0-5 years old who have not entered into kindergarten.
- All books read to children by parents, siblings, or library story times count toward goal.
- Atwell Public Library offering a small prize at each 100 book milestone.



Smokey Bear Reading Challenge:

- Kids 0-18 read 3 books on fire prevention or the environment.
- They complete "missions" for virtual badges.
- Prize is a limited edition button.



ATMOS ENERGY SPONSORSHIP



Atmos Energy, Community Outreach Coordinator, K. Smith has agreed to fund a portion of our Summer Reading Program grand prizes.

We are in discussion of sponsorship of other events or activities this year, TBD.



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As library advocates, the board will have an open discussion of what would be most advantageous for the community in a future building.



TOP READERS - WINNER PRIZES

With the expansion of the Summer Reading Program in 2021, and the further inclusion of adults in 2023, the top readers categories are:

1. Children and Families
2. Teens
3. Adults

We are asking library board to help with these 3 prizes either through sponsorship or soliciting prizes through donations.



LIBRARY SERVICES SURVEY

This agenda item was first discussed at October 2023 library board meeting. Library Survey was conducted in 2021. This item was tabled for January 2024.

- Does the library board recommend a new library services survey?
- Does the library board recommend to issue a new survey when population increases ?
- New community of Southaven of 700 houses to be built . Construction currently in progress.





THANK YOU

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