This month we are pleased to honor the First Lady of Song — Ella Fitzgerald (1917-1996) with a musical tribute on Sunday, October 22, 2017 at 4:00 pm in the Greg L. Reese Performing Arts Center. In recognition of her centennial, many venues and institutions across the country are celebrating this musical maven and here at the East Cleveland Public Library, we want to put our own spin on celebrating Ella. Often recognized as a national treasure and leading lady in the American Song Book, Ella’s musical abilities are unsurpassed. Ella was blessed to have many awards and accolades bestowed upon her, too many to list here…. But it is important to know that her personal collection of cookbooks are housed at Harvard University’s Schlesinger Library; and her memorabilia and media collections are divided between the Library of Congress and the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

So, in closing, I invite you to stop by to enjoy a great live Jazz performance featuring Evelyn Wright (vocals), David Thomas (acoustic piano), Peter Dominguez (acoustic bass), Bob Ferrazza (guitar) and Paul Samuels (drums).

Sheba Marcus-Bey
Executive Director

Visit ECPL to find stories, biographies, autobiographies and more that speak to you! Join the Wednesday Writers Nonfiction Lab October 11 and start writing about the stories of your life.

Teen Read Week is also the last week teens can vote for their favorite titles among 26 nominees in the Teens’ Top Ten — a “teen choice” list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books published during the previous year. Voting is open until October 14 and the Teens’ Choice books will be announced the week of October 18, 2017.

Learn more and vote online (Teens only!): www.dogobooks.com/voting/2017-teens-top-reads
Ongoing Programs

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

• Kids’ Café, Monday–Friday, afternoon snack at 3:30 pm
• Storytime, Monday & Wednesday at 11:00 am
• Pee Wee Reading Roundtable and Just Dance, Alternating Tuesdays at 4:30 pm
• Lego Lab, Second Tuesdays at 4:00 pm
• After School Tutoring, Mondays & Wednesdays, 2:00–4:45 pm with more dates coming soon!

CHILDREN’S & YOUTH PROGRAMS

• Kids’ Café, Monday – Friday, afternoon snack at 3:30 pm
• Chess Club, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays 3:30 – 5:30 pm, Learn and Play with Chess Mentor, Donald McClendon
• Teen Zone, Wednesdays, 4:30 – 6:30 pm Special activities every week, from gaming, crafts, speakers, movies, and more!
• After School Tutoring, Mondays & Wednesdays 2:00 – 4:45 pm with more dates coming soon!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Tech Toys Mondays, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
Learn about the latest cool devices available, from tablets, remote control drones, and Bluetooth blood pressure cuffs, and more.

Wired Wednesdays, 3:00 – 3:30 pm
Bring your kindle, laptop, or portable device for simple tech support.

Fear Not Thursdays, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
You’ve got questions, ECPL has answers! Bring in your mobile devices for troubleshooting and tech support.

Nonfiction Writing Lab, Wednesdays, 4:00 – 5:30 pm
Drop in with a copy of nonfiction projects (school reports, college papers, grant proposals, cover letters, etc.) to fine tune them.

ECPL Book Club, Fourth Tuesdays, October 24, 5:30 – 6:45 pm.
Join us as we discuss Spirit Boxing by Afaa Michael Weaver.

Creative Writing, Wednesday Writers, Third Wednesdays October 18, 5:45 – 6:45 pm. Open topic: bring a work in progress for feedback. Wednesday Writers monthly workshops are open to writers in all genres, with a focus on craft and publishing tips to strengthen creative writing and develop manuscripts. Additional monthly free activities and speakers follow with Literary Cleveland, Between the Lines w/ Tyler Davidson, producer of Take Shelter and other films (7 pm at Happy Dog/Euclid Tavern (11625 Euclid Avenue). Tyler is an award-winning independent film producer and president of Low Spark Films, a Cleveland based production company.
Improving writing helps children to become better readers. When children put pencil to paper, concepts, letters, and words become imprinted in a child's brain. Practice writing also provides a fundamental way in which children learn to organize ideas and express thoughts and feelings. The best way to inspire a child to write is to incorporate writing into everyday life. This not only gives children a purpose for writing, but makes writing fun.

Here are some suggestions to make writing fun at home:

- **Ask your child to write instructions** for a task they enjoy, such as taking care of the family pet or making a favorite snack.
- **Write a letter, card, or thank you note** to a relative or friend. Talk through what your child might want to say before writing begins.
- **Ask your child to write a shopping list** with you before going to the grocery store.
- **Purchase a small notebook** for your child, and encourage them to write daily diary entries.
- **Stay positive about writing**! Kids who are worried about spelling every word correctly will often stick to a small group of words, or may try to avoid writing so they don't make mistakes.
- **Use writing materials** that support both the thinking process and the physical act of writing. These materials might include: Wide ruled paper, primary sized pencils, white boards with erasers, colorful pens and pencils.
What We’re Reading: ECPL Staff Picks

Below are a few titles that staff members are currently reading. Looking for a suggestion? Ask! From fiction to nonfiction to the latest audiobooks, there is something for everyone in the ECPL collection.

*Romeo and/or Juliet* by Ryan North
*A Race Anthology: Dispatches and Artifacts from a Segregated City* edited by Dan Moulthrop and RA Washington (local authors!)
*OLIO* by Tyehimba Jess (2017 winner, Pulitzer Prize in poetry)
*The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead (winner, National Book Award)
*The Cricket Cries, the Year Changes* by Cynthia Harris-Allen (local author!)
*Pushout: the Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools* by Monique W. Morris
*Logo Design Love* by David Airey
*Lean In: Women, Work, and the Will to Lead* by Sheryl Sandberg
*One Punch Man* by Yusuke Murata (art), ONE (story)

Special Events / Save the Dates

**Children’s Yoga** / OCTOBER 13 / 4:00 – 4:45 pm. No experience needed – comfortable, loose clothing is suggested. Monthly sessions meet October 13 and November 7. Classes led by certified yoga instructors and a waiver is required to participate. Register in the Children’s Department.

**My Vision Board: Creating Your Life Vision** / OCTOBER 14 / 3:00 pm. Participants will learn the basics of vision boards and how one can work for you. Oprah Winfrey and Steve Harvey both believe in the power of a vision. Supplies will be available. Limited space is available.

**Friends of ECPL Book Sale** / OCTOBER 12, 13, & 14 / 11:00 am – 5:00 pm. Pick up gently used and reasonably priced library books, movies, and music and support the Friends of ECPL!

**Resume Check-up** / OCTOBER 16 / 10:00 am–2:00 pm. When was the last time you updated your resume? Please bring in a copy of your resume for a basic operation. Corrections will be marked with a red pen. First come, first serve basis. Black Heritage Room.

**Libraries Transform** / OCTOBER 16 / 10:00 am–2:00 pm & 4:00–6:00 pm. Leave your mark – stop by to personalize a quilt square expressing what ECPL means to you during Friend Your Library Week!

**Fam Fest** / OCTOBER 28 / 3:00–6:00 pm / All ages welcome! Family-friendly performance of *The Last of the Sorcerers*. 

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