

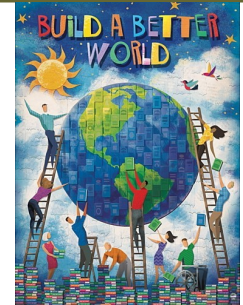
CFPL NOVELT NEWS

Summer Library Program

This year's Summer Library Program's theme is **Build a Better World** and Cedar Falls Public Library has programs for all ages that are fun, educational, and FREE! Our final schedule will be available at the beginning of the SLP, which will run June 5th—July 29th this year.

Adults (ages 18+) can attend home improvement workshops, make crafts, seed bombs, bee condos, and decorate cookies, and more! For the first time ever, adults can experience Laser Tag in the library (Friday, June 30, 6-9 pm)! Join us for **Summerfest** Tuesday, June 6 from 6:00-

8:00 pm to kick-off the Summer Library Program! Bring a lawn chair to the library parking lot to listen to the Brazilian 2wins, enjoy lots of games, free food, and sign up for the SLP. Sponsored by the Robert & Shirley Berg Fund of the Cedar Falls Community Foundation.



CEDAR FALLS authors FESTIVAL

Cedar Falls has been a rich seedbed for authors—from pioneer times to the present. In an effort to reclaim this important legacy and to encourage new authors, young and old, the Cedar Falls Authors Festival was born.

The festival celebrates our five nationally-known best-selling authors—Bess Streeter Aldrich, Ruth Suckow, James Hearst, Nancy Price, and Robert Waller—and many other Cedar Falls authors past and present. It's become a true collaboration with UNI, the public schools, and all the city's cultural groups involved.

A "Cedar Falls author" is defined as one born in Cedar Falls or who has spent a substantial amount of time living and writing in Cedar Falls. Through a series of programs from May 2017 through May 2018, participants will meet these authors, read and hear their works, and see how their works have been adapted into films, plays, music, art and more, as well as some of the work they've inspired. They will explore diverse visions of Cedar Falls as presented across the years.

As a lasting product of the festival, a Cedar Falls Authors Directory is being created, which will be housed online at the public library and UNI's Rod Library.

If you consider yourself an author or would like to nominate someone else, please visit www.cfauthorsfestival.org and complete the survey found on the homepage. Upcoming Events:

- **Thursday, May 4:** Eight Songs by Robert Waller: An Appreciation of his Music & Poetry at the Hearst Center for the Arts, 7 p.m.
- **Friday, May 5:** "Bridges and Bridges: Two Takes on the Same Story" at the Hearst Center for the Arts, 7 p.m.
- **Writers of the Cedar Valley** Sun., May 14 and June 18 Writers and aspiring writers of all genres age 12+ are invited to join the group. Each session includes quiet writing time, small group feedback and critique, discussion or presentation on writing topics. Simply stop in to enjoy the fun. Cedar Falls Public Library 1-4 p.m.
- **May 18 – June 25:** Marjorie Nuhn: Selected Works Exhibit at the Hearst Center for the Arts

More information on all of the authors, festival events, bibliographies and more can be found at this website:

www.cfauthorsfestival.org.

Saturday, June 10th: Launch of Ruth Suckow Celebration

June 10th Itinerary:

- Annual Meeting of the Ruth Suckow Memorial Association, Cedar Falls Public Library, 10:00 a.m.
- Discussion of Suckow's novella *A Part of the Institution*, Cedar Falls Public Library, 1:00 p.m.
- Installation of the Sculpture honoring Ferner Nuhn and Ruth Suckow Nuhn, Hearst Center Sculpture, 3:00 p.m. Followed by a Reception.
- Program on the play *Just Suppose: The Story of Iowa Novelist Ruth Suckow*. Hearst Center for the Arts, 7:00 p.m.



Playwright Rebecca Christian and actor Lenore Howard will share their experiences researching, writing and performing the show developed for Suckow's 100th birthday.



PRIZE

\$100, T-shirt with your design, and credit as the artist of the 2017 mascot!

HOW TO SUBMIT

Please email cfpl.litcon@gmail.com with the subject "LitCon 2017 Mascot Entry – Your Name". In the body of your email, write a short cover letter explaining the inspiration for your design and why you think it's a good fit for LitCon 2017. Attach a JPG, PNG, or PDF of your full-color design. If you'd like, you can also attach one- or two-tone and outline versions

Complete instructions can be found on our website.

RULES

The contest is open to those living in the Cedar Valley. We will be using the design on our poster, promotional materials, website, Facebook, limited edition T-shirt, coloring page for our coloring contest, and elsewhere. The design must be unique and created solely by the artist. Please keep in mind that the design will be used in the following ways: full color, one- or two-color tone for a t-shirt, and outline for a coloring page. The design should reflect the spirit of LitCon, which we will leave open to your interpretation. (Hint: think literature, fantasy, geek/nerd/pop culture, and what the library means to you.) Since we're looking for a "mascot", the design must be humanoid or an animal/object anthropomorphized in some way. Please direct questions to cfpl.litcon@gmail.com

DEADLINE

Entries will be accepted from **March 1 through May 31, 2017**. Entries received outside this window will not be considered. The winner will be notified no later than June 30, 2017.

Books for Traveling Vicariously

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>In a Sunburned Country</i> by Bill Bryson (Australia) • <i>Notes from a Small Island</i> by Bill Bryson (England) • <i>The Good Earth</i> by Pearl S. Buck (China) • <i>The Miniaturist</i> by Jessie Burton (Amsterdam) • <i>The Alchemist</i> by Paulo Coelho (Spain & North Africa) • <i>Out of Africa</i> by Isak Dinesen • <i>The Beach</i> by Alex Garland (Thailand) • <i>Eat, Pray, Love : One Woman's Search for</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Everything Across Italy, India, and Indonesia</i> by Elizabeth Gilbert • <i>Chocolat : a novel</i> by Joanne Harris (France) • <i>Blue Highways : a Journey into America</i> by William Least Heat Moon • <i>The Island</i> by Victoria Hislop (Greece) • <i>Into the Wild</i> by Jon Krakauer (Alaska) • <i>Under the Tuscan Sun : at Home in Italy</i> by Frances Mayes • <i>The Penguin Lessons: What I</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Learned from a Remarkable Bird</i> by Tom Michell (Argentina) • <i>Wild : from Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail</i> by Cheryl Strayed • <i>Ghost Train to the Eastern Star : on the Tracks of the Great Railway Bazaar</i> by Paul Theroux (Asia) • <i>War and Peace</i> by Leo Tolstoy (Russia) |
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