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Clark Pleasant Branch to Host Local Author Fair in March

FRANKLIN, Ind. – Meet local authors, find great spring reads and enter to win fabulous prizes during JCPL's Local Author Fair at the Clark Pleasant Branch, Saturday, March 23.

A little bit about the authors visiting:

Aslan Tudor is 11-years-old and a citizen of the Lipan Apache Tribe of Texas. His life goal is to be a positive representation of Natives on screen, but he also loves writing books about his experiences.

Lou Ellen Overhultz Watts has lived in South Carolina, Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia and Arizona but now lives in the country in Franklin, Indiana. Her book, "Sleeping In Dixie's Feather Bed: Growing Up White In The Segregated South" was published in October 2018. "Round- Em- Up And The Marshmallow Treat," a children's picture book that she co-authored with her granddaughter, was released in December 2018.

Paul J. Hoffman has spent his entire professional career gathering facts and telling stories as a journalist. He has used those skills to write two nonfiction books: "Murder in Wauwatosa: The Mysterious Death of Buddy Schumacher" and "Wicked Columbus, Indiana." A one-time sports writer and news editor, he has been the special publications editor for the Daily Journal, based in Franklin, since 2001.

Kimberly Hoffman is the author of "Emma's Dancing Day" and "Sigmund Stanley Spider Squared." Hoffman is a lifelong resident of Columbus, Indiana. She enjoys presenting programs to schools, libraries and civic groups on topics such as "How to Write a Story," "Overcoming Obstacles," "Thinking Outside the Box Regarding Disabilities," interactive dance, etc. Kaylin R. Boyd is a fantasy author. She was born in the Midwest, and raised on a strict diet of daydreams, myth and magic. She has published an illustrated book of prose, "The Mountain" and "Tell City" is her debut novel.

Linda E. Minton is a retired elementary school teacher. She has an interest in WWII and has written two books about WWII veterans, "WWII Heroes: We Were Just Doing Our Jobs" and "Remembering WWII Women."

Chaplain Mike Mercer works as a chaplain with Community Home Health Hospice. Mercer has been the lead author on the popular internet Monk blog for nearly 10 years now, and has written two books: "Walking Home Together: Spiritual Guidance and Practical Advice for the End of Life" and "Show Me the Path: Cultivating a Life of Discernment"

Nate Logan is the author of "Inside the Golden Days of Missing You" (Magic Helicopter Press, 2019.) He's the editor and publisher of Spooky Girlfriend Press.

Darrell French is an Indiana native who has always been interested in Indiana history. In 2006, he built a home next to the abandoned Franklin & Martinsville railroad. He began researching and writing about it. He invested seven years into research that took him as far as the National Archives in College Park, Maryland.

Published by Simon & Schuster, author Christy Newton is a hopeless romantic with a weakness for warm cookies and dark chocolate. She writes many sub-genres of romance. She currently has over a dozen published books, and is tapping away on her next.

Carol Michel is the author of "Potted & Pruned: Living a Gardening Life," which received the 2018 Garden Media Gold Award for Best Overall Book from GWA: The Association of Garden Communicators, "Homegrown and Handpicked: A Year in a Gardening Life" and "The Christmas Cottontail: A Story for Gardeners of All Ages."

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