

Friends-Sponsored Programs

One of the most exciting and fulfilling ways the Friends offer support is through grants to the Library for special programs, staff support, outreach services and library collections.

Over the years, the Friends have made significant gifts that help ensure the stability of programs like **Pageturners** (the library's book groups) and the **Bucket of Books** program that creates a useful resource for teachers to incorporate library materials in their classrooms. The Friends have also sponsored the **Teen Author Lecture**, a **Teen Lounge** where teens can hone their skills at producing "zines" and other cutting-edge literary ventures, a **Staff Enrichment Fund**, **Books2U** a program that encourages children to read and become library users through "booktalks" in the classroom and many other beloved programs.

We also contribute significantly to the stability of the library by sending representatives to county meetings and mobilizing public activism for ballot measures that affect the library.

How We Do All This

With your help, the Friends support these programs through membership dues and revenues from the Friends' Library Store and our hugely successful used book sales in the fall and spring.



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COUNTY LIBRARY





Who are the Friends of the Multnomah County Library?

Started in 1972, the Friends of the Multnomah County Library is a non-profit, community organization dedicated to supporting the Multnomah County Library.

Our members are volunteers and advocates for a strong library system in our community. We believe that the best and most-used library system of its size in the country deserves an engaged organization that represents the community's interests on library issues.

Friends of the Library has an active board of directors, over 1,100 members throughout the county and we're growing our numbers each year. We are proud that our group has been honored by Friends of the Library USA as an outstanding Friends organization affiliated with a major metropolitan library.

What Do the Friends Do?

- We provide funding for special library programs and enrichment of neighborhood libraries and outreach services.

- We hold popular used-book sales in the spring and fall to raise money for library programs.
- We promote public involvement in our library.
- We provide advocacy information regarding library issues.
- We mobilize support for library ballot measures.

Why Become A Friend?

The Multnomah County Library is now at the forefront of the nation. Thanks to community support, our library has beautiful new buildings, enhanced collections, advanced technology, and an expert staff. Multnomah County Library has one of the highest circulation rates in the country. Your Friends' annual membership and involvement help to sustain this record of excellence.

As A Friend, You Will Receive

- The sense of fulfillment that comes with supporting an important and vital community institution.
- Admittance into members-only events such as our annual meeting and the pre-sale night of Oregon's largest used-book sale held every autumn.
- *Footnotes*, our quarterly newsletter keeps you updated on Friends' activities and volunteer opportunities.

As a member of the Friends, we help your voice to be heard on library issues just as you help our voice become louder as our membership grows.

I Want to be a FRIEND of the Multnomah County Library!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Most used library branch _____

MEMBERSHIP LEVEL:

- Individual\$30
- Family\$45
- Senior (age 65+)\$20
- Senior Family (age 65+).....\$40
- Supporter\$75
- Sustaining Minimum \$10 monthly on a credit or debit card
- Patron\$100
- Sponsor\$250
- Benefactor\$500
- Additional donation\$_____
- Workplace Match (attach form)
- Check enclosed
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