



What's Happening at GCPL



Yay for spring! We had a busy winter and we are glad that spring is here and summer is just around the corner.

I want to introduce Laken Smith as our new Program Coordinator. Elizabeth Roller has moved into the Teen Programming position and has developed a faithful following for a creative writing club, a Dungeons & Dragons group, and a Fandomonium group/club. Susan Hickman has added the role of Story Time Coordinator.

Laken, Elizabeth, and Susan are busy working hard to plan the Summer Reading Program with the theme of A Universe of Stories. Mr. Bond and the Science Guys will kick off our Summer Reading with an event at First National Bank on June 3rd. As always, they will demonstrate the science that goes along with our theme. Since our theme is space this year, it should be out of this world! Bob Tarter will be back with his amazing animals and we have a magic show scheduled. Be sure to check out the calendar included to see when all the summer events will take place. Most of all, be sure to sign up for Summer Reading and reap the rewards and benefits of continuing to read throughout the summer!

Come and meet Robert Bailey on May 7th at 5:30 here at the library. His new book, *The Final Reckoning*, came out on April 23rd. This is the final book in the McMurtrie & Drake legal thriller series. This event will be held in memory of Danny Ray Cobb. Danny Ray was instrumental in getting Mr. Bailey to come to the library for the first time in 2016 and getting the word out about him as an author. The first two novels in the series, *The Professor* and *Between Black and White* both won the Beverly Hills Book Award for legal thriller of the year. If you enjoy legal thrillers, you will enjoy all four of these books!

Check out the calendar for a new set of computer classes starting in July. These classes will be held from 5:30 – 7:00 on Monday and Tuesday evenings for six weeks and will cover the topics of privacy and security, internet searching, office products, library resources, social media and multi-media. These classes are made possible from a Training Opportunities for the Public (TOP) grant with funding made possible by the Tennessee Broadband Accessibility Act and in partnership with the Department of Economic and Community Development. Two more hotspots are also available to the public to check out from the library with this grant.

Cindy Nesbitt, Director

"There are many ways to enlarge your child's world. Love of books is the best of all." ~ Jacqueline Kennedy



- *A Plain Vanilla Murder*—Susan Wittig Albert
- *Sunset Beach*—Mary Kay Andrews
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- *The Never Game*—Jeffery Deaver
- *You, Me, and the Sea*—Meg Donohue
- *The Road Home*—Richard Paul Evans
- *Queen Bee*—Dorothea Benton Frank
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- *Sophia Princess Among Beasts*—James Patterson
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- *Under Currents*—Nora Roberts
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- *Blessing in Disguise*—Danielle Steel
- *Lost and Found*—Danielle Steel
- *Surfside Sisters*—Nancy Thayer
- *Backlash*—Brad Thor
- *The Body in the Castle Well*—Martin Walker
- *The Night Before*—Wendy Walker
- *Mrs. Everything*—Jennifer Weiner
- *Anna of Kleve*—Alison Weir
- *The Nickel Boys*—Colson Whitehead
- *The Summer Country*—Lauren Willig
- *Skin Games*—Stuart Woods



Nestled in our Teen Room (behind the Magazine/Lounge area), we have three amazing collections. In the glass room behind the Teen Room, we have a Graphic Novel Collection (think superheroes like Batman, IronMan, Thor, Captain America, etc!) and a growing Manga Collection (think One Piece, Nisekoi, Inu Yasha, etc.). There's something for all ages and all interests in our Graphic Novel Room.

New to the Teen Room is our hid-a-way Honor Book shelf. These books are able to be "checked out" no matter what your library card status is. Borrow one (or two, or three) and bring it back when you're through. No due date, no fines, just time to read and share. We are trying to keep this shelf stocked with great reads! If you have some teen level books you would like to donate for this shelf, drop them by!

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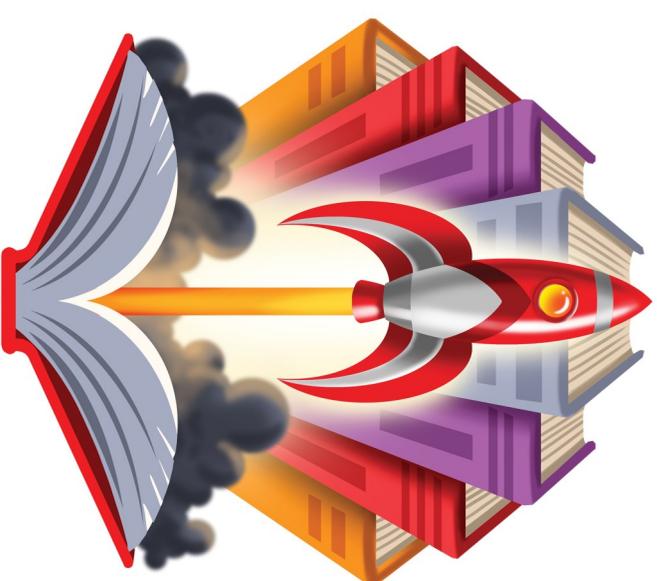
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A UNIVERSE of Stories





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Staff Reviews



Elizabeth Roller

Teen Services Librarian

A good movie, not unlike a good book, often leaves us with more questions than we have answers. Yet too many twists and needless complexity can cause a film to come off as pretentious, lifeless, or cliché. Walking the razor’s edge between the two extremes seems like it calls for superpowers.

In a cinematic landscape choked full of superhero movies and shared universes, director M. Night Shyamalan’s latest outing, *Glass* (2019, PG-13), manages a heroic feat all its own: it provides a satisfying experience that both finishes a saga and stands alone as an interesting character study that requires contemplation on the part of the audience. Bruce Willis and Samuel L. Jackson provide stellar performances, albeit in smaller roles than expected, especially for the former. However, the true star of this movie is James McAvoy, cast against type as a delusional serial killer with multiple personalities and inhuman abilities that viewers first met in *Split* (2017, PG-13).

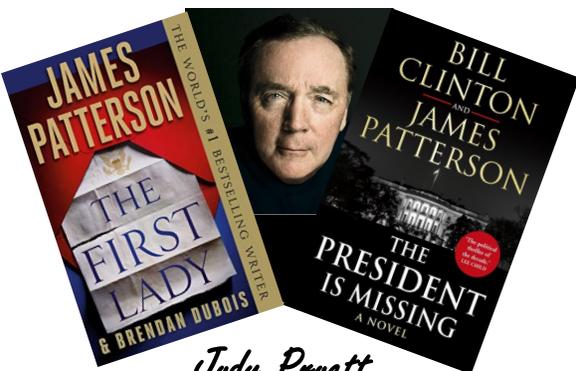
Glass culminates a storyline itself continued in *Split* and begun in *Unbreakable* (2000, PG-13) almost twenty years prior. David Dunn (Willis), *Unbreakable*’s ex-football player turned security guard protagonist and sole survivor of a deadly train wreck thanks to his enhanced strength and durability, scours Philadelphia’s underbelly as a vigilante. Eventually, his new purpose in life tugs him right into the crosshairs of the supervillain part of him has been waiting to find - Kevin Wendell Crumb (McAvoy) aka the Beast. As chronicled in *Split*, Crumb still suffers from dissociative identity disorder brought on by childhood abuse at the hands of his mother and, unfortunately, the loose, chaotic faction of his evil personalities known as “The Horde” won over control during the time between the two movies. Determined to lure out “The Beast” – a destructive, all-powerful entity that dwells within Crumb – the Horde commits multiple kidnappings and murders. Once Dunn hunts Crumb down, there’s sure to be a brawl when “The Beast” meets the Unbreakable. But plans derail when both Dunn and Crumb are apprehended by police and taken to a mental institution where Dr. Ellie Staple (Sarah Paulson) promises to cure them of their delusions of grandeur...just as she has helped Elijah Price (Jackson) aka Mr. Glass, self-styled supervillain, nemesis of Dunn, and mastermind behind the train wreck that changed so many lives, all despite the fact that he was born with a condition that makes his bones break under the slightest pressure. The match lit, the fire that consumes the third act of this slow-burn trilogy could come straight from the frames of a comic book, frantic and colorful with all the main players accounted for.

While not as poignant in its message as *Split*, *Glass* avoids being ham-fisted in presenting the myriad of ways we are all “broken” as people told through the lens of a superhero story. At the same time, it serves up interesting commentary on how superhero comics are intrinsically human stories about how we look to the sky, dreaming that someday we could be better, hoping to see that big red cape even if we know we never will.

“This was not a ‘Limited Edition’ — this was an origin story, the whole time.”

Rating: 4/5

Recommended Further Viewing/Reading: *Unbreakable* [DVD UNB (1) (DVD)], *Split* [DVD UNB (2) (DVD)], *Watchmen* by Alan Moore, illst. Dave Gibbons



Judy Pruett

Library Assistant

Well, there was a time when I really enjoyed reading James Patterson for the mystery and suspense, then there were many years and a jillion books that he wrote with other writers that I just could not get into. TV got so bad that I just could not watch and I looked forward to an easy mystery that could keep my attention and moved very quickly. Guess what James Patterson came back with, a couple that I have enjoyed!!! Moral of this story – never give up on a good mystery thriller, especially the proven authors.....they keep on keeping on!

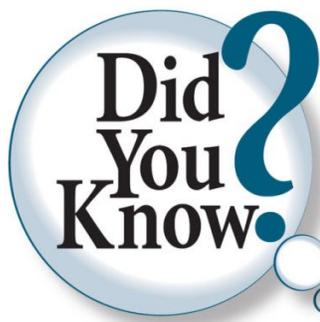
The last two that I really enjoyed, especially since I am all about a political plot are *The President is Missing*, out in the Summer of 2018, followed by *The First Lady*, just out in March of this year.

Fast, read with a little scandal, a little danger and a little mystery! Just perfect for some easy weekend relaxation, complete with a coffee, a blanket and a good book!!



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