

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

March 8

Book Discussion: "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Jamie Ford
IDA BRANCH LIBRARY
3016 Lewis Avenue • Ida
6:30 - 8 p.m.

Join members of the Ida Branch Book Club to discuss this year's selection, "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Jamie Ford.



March 8

Event: Patriots or Traitors: Were the Japanese Internment Camps Necessary?
MONROE COUNTY MUSEUM
126 S. Monroe Street • Monroe
7 - 8:30 p.m.



History.com states, "In 1942 President Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066 ordering all Japanese-Americans to evacuate the West Coast. This resulted in the relocation of about 120,000 people. This relocation was considered one of the most flagrant violations of civil liberties in American History." Was this order necessary? Do you think that the Japanese-Americans were a danger to the security of the United States? This program will look at both sides of the issue. Edmund La Clair, assistant professor of history at Monroe County Community College, will argue against the camps, and Steve Fried, adjunct professor of history at MCCC and Siena Heights University, will argue that the camps were necessary.

Admission: Monroe County, Michigan Residents: Free (donations accepted).

Non-Residents: \$5 per adult, \$3 per child/student (5 yrs-17), under 5 years free.

The Monroe County Museum is open daily: Sundays, noon to 5 p.m.; Mondays through Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

March 12

Film Series: "Do the Right Thing"
ELLIS LIBRARY & REFERENCE CENTER
3700 S. Custer Road • Monroe
6:30 p.m.



Salvatore "Sal" Fragione is the Italian owner of a pizzeria in Brooklyn. A neighborhood local, Buggin' Out, becomes upset when he sees that the pizzeria's Wall of Fame exhibits only Italian actors. Buggin' Out believes a pizzeria in a black neighborhood should showcase black actors, but Sal disagrees. The wall becomes a symbol of racism and hate to Buggin' Out and to other people in the neighborhood, and tensions rise.

Comedy/Drama (rated R) 1989 - 120 minutes.

Mark Bergmooser, assistant professor of speech, humanities, and taekwon do, will moderate the viewing of this film. Complimentary movie candy will be available.

KICK-OFF March 14

Event: One Book, One Community 2018 Kick-Off
LA-Z-BOY CENTER •
MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1555 S. Raisinville Road • Monroe
6 - 8 p.m.

This year's official kick-off event will feature a tribute to Asian culture. See a Tai Chi demonstration, try your hand at origami, sample some delicious teas, and enjoy other activities. Light refreshments will be served. The evening will also include a used book sale sponsored by the MCCC Writing Fellows. Copies of "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" will be available for purchase. We will cap off the evening with a door prize drawing for an Amazon Echo Spot.

Mark your calendar and join us as we celebrate the 12th year of our community read.

March 15

Film Series: "Vincent Who?"



ROOM L-201 • LIFE SCIENCES BUILDING • MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1555 S. Raisinville Road • Monroe
12:30 p.m.

In 1982, Vincent Chin was murdered in Detroit by two white autoworkers at the height of anti-Japanese sentiments. His killers, however, got off with a \$3,000 fine and no jail time. Outraged by this injustice, Asian Americans around the country united for the first time to form a pan-Asian identity and civil rights movement. This documentary, based on a series of townhalls organized by Asian Pacific Americans for Progress, features interviews with the

key players at the time, as well as a whole new generation of activists whose lives have been impacted by the case. The documentary asks how for Asian Americans have come since then, and how far they have yet to go.

Drama/Documentary (NR) 2009 - 40 minutes.

Dr. Terri Kovach, professor/reference-technical services librarian at Monroe County Community College, will moderate the viewing of this documentary.

March 18

Film Series: "Loving"
BEDFORD BRANCH LIBRARY
8575 Jackman Road •
Temperance
2 p.m.



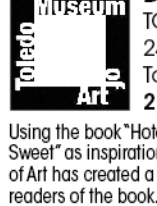
The story of Richard and Mildred Loving, a couple whose arrest for interracial marriage in 1960s Virginia began a legal battle that would end with the U.S. Supreme Court's historic 1967 decision Loving v. Virginia, which invalidated state laws prohibiting interracial marriage.

Romance/History/Drama/Biography (rated PG-13) 2016 - 123 minutes.

Rachel Eagle, administrative assistant to the dean of humanities and social sciences, will moderate the viewing of this film. Complimentary movie candy will be available.

March 18

Event: Pen to Palette Docent-led Tour
TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART
2445 Monroe Street • Toledo
2 - 3 p.m.



Using the book "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" as inspiration, the staff of the Toledo Museum of Art has created a special hour-long tour for readers of the book. Join the docents as they take participants on a special tour highlighting a variety of art works in the museum's contemporary collection. The tour is free, but there is a \$7 parking fee for non-members. Make a reservation by calling Rachel Eagle at (734) 384-4153 by Friday, March 9. Tour will start promptly at 2 p.m. from the main museum entrance.

March 19

Film Series: "Gran Torino"
ELLIS LIBRARY & REFERENCE CENTER
3700 S. Custer Road • Monroe
6:30 p.m.



The story follows Walt Kowalski, a recently widowed Korean War veteran alienated from his family and angry at the world. Walt's young neighbor, Thao Vang Lor, is pressured by his cousin into stealing Walt's prized 1972 Ford Gran Torino for his initiation into a gang. Walt thwarts the theft with his M1 Garand rifle and subsequently develops a relationship with the boy and his family.

Drama (rated R) 2008 - 116 minutes

Mark Bergmooser, assistant professor of speech, humanities, and taekwon do, will moderate the viewing of this film. Complimentary movie candy will be available.

March 20

Book Discussion: "Love and Other Consolation Prizes" by Jamie Ford
DORSCH MEMORIAL BRANCH LIBRARY
18 E. 1st Street • Monroe
2 - 3 p.m.



Join members of the Dorsch Memorial Branch Afternoon Book Club to discuss Jamie Ford's recently published novel, "Love and Other Consolation Prizes."

March 21

Children's Program: Destination: Japan
L.S. NAVARRE BRANCH LIBRARY
1135 E. 2nd Street • Monroe
4:30 p.m.

Join us as we travel to Japan and learn how kids live and play there. Recommended for ages 8 and up.

March 22

Event: Meet the Author - Jamie Ford
MEYER THEATER - LA-Z-BOY CENTER •
MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1555 S. Raisinville Road • Monroe • 7 p.m.



International bestselling author Jamie Ford will speak about "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet," his 2009 novel that has been translated into 34 languages. Mr. Ford is also the author of "Songs of Willow Frost" and "Love and Other Consolation Prizes." A book signing will follow in the Atrium. A limited number of books will be available for purchase.

March 24

Event: Pen to Palette Docent-led Tour
TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART
2445 Monroe Street • Toledo
1 - 2 p.m.



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Tour will start promptly at 1 p.m. from the main museum entrance.

March 26

Children's Program: Yoko's Paper Cranes
L.S. NAVARRE BRANCH LIBRARY • 1135 E. 2nd Street • Monroe
4:30 p.m.



Join us as we learn about the art of paper crane making. After reading the book, "Yoko's Paper Cranes" together, we will have supplies available for you to make your own. Recommended for ages 8 and up.

March 26

Event: From Inspiration to Finished Manuscript: How to Write a Book
IDA BRANCH LIBRARY
3016 Lewis Avenue • Ida
6:30 - 8 p.m.



You've always wanted to write a book, but you don't know how to get started. Once you get started, how do you keep going, avoid feeling overwhelmed and overcome writer's block? We will explore tools, tips and tricks to help you in getting started and in completing your book. You will leave with a step-by-step plan for writing your book.

Presented by Randy Kuckuck, executive director - Center for Book Publishing

March 26

Book Discussion: "Love and Other Consolation Prizes" by Jamie Ford
CARLETON BRANCH LIBRARY
1444 Kent Street • Carleton
7 - 8 p.m.



Join members of the Carleton Branch North County Book Club to discuss Jamie Ford's recently published novel, "Love and Other Consolation Prizes."

March 28

Book Discussion: American Japanese Internment Camps
BEDFORD BRANCH LIBRARY
8575 Jackman Road • Temperance
11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



Join members of the Bedford Branch Library Just the Facts Book Club to discuss American Japanese Internment Camps. Book club members select their own book on the topic. Suggested books are available at the Bedford Branch one month prior to the event.

March 28

Panel Discussion: Balancing Act: Security vs. Civil Rights
LA-Z-BOY CENTER ATRIUM •
MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1555 S. Raisinville Road • Monroe
7 - 8:30 p.m.



What did we learn from the Japanese internment camps, and how should the lessons apply today to our immigration and refugee policies? Because of hysteria created by the attack on Pearl Harbor, 120,000 Japanese-Americans were forced from their homes and into internment camps. In the 1980s, the government apologized and admitted it was a clear violation of their civil rights. Today, following the 9-11 attacks and the continuing war on terror, we're again trying to balance national security with civil rights. A panel of experts will discuss how we're doing.

This panel discussion is sponsored by The Agora, the student newspaper at MCCC.

March 29

Brown Bag Discussion: "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Jamie Ford
LA-Z-BOY CENTER ATRIUM •
MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1555 S. Raisinville Road • Monroe
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.



Join the Monroe County Community College community in roundtable discussions of "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet," led by MCCC Humanities faculty. Participants will discuss Jamie Ford's novel. Light refreshments will be served.

April 4

Film Series: "Vincent Who?"
ROOM L-140 • LIFE SCIENCES BUILDING
MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1555 S. Raisinville Road • Monroe
7 p.m.



Drama/Documentary (NR) 2009 - 40 minutes.
Edmund La Clair, assistant professor of history at Monroe County Community College, will moderate a viewing of this film.

April 5

Book Discussion: "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Jamie Ford
BEDFORD BRANCH LIBRARY
8575 Jackman Road • Temperance
10:30 a.m. - noon



Join members of the Bedford Branch Library A.M. Book Club to discuss this year's selection, "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet," by Jamie Ford.

April 6

Event: Asian Edibles Buffet
DINING ROOM - AUDREY M. WARRICK STUDENT SERVICES / ADMINISTRATION BUILDING • MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1555 S. Raisinville Road • Monroe
5 p.m.

The second year culinary skills and management program students at MCCC, along with Chef Kevin Thomas and Chef Vicki LaValle, will prepare a lavish Asian buffet.

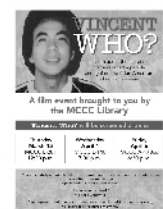
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Reservations are required. Tickets are available at the MCCC Cashier in Building A (8 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday and 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday) or by calling (734) 384-4272. Cost: \$20 per person. Included are non-alcoholic drinks, salads, appetizers, charcuterie (pate, sausages and terrines), entrees, side dishes, breads and a pastry display.

April 6

Film Series: "Vincent Who?"
ROOM A-173c/d • AUDREY M. WARRICK STUDENT SERVICES / ADMINISTRATION BUILDING • MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1555 S. Raisinville Road • Monroe
6:30 p.m.



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Drama/Documentary (NR) 2009 - 40 minutes.
Cheryl Johnston, professor emerita at Monroe County Community College and coordinator of One Book, One Community of Monroe County, will moderate the viewing of this documentary.

For more information and updates to this calendar, go to
www.monroeccc.edu/onebook