



Rock Your Book Writers' Workshop with Author/Publisher Marj Charlier

Bertha Bartlett Public Library is presenting a four-hour writers' workshop led by author/publisher Marj Charlier on June 16 from 10 am to 3 pm.

The chances of a new writer attracting a big-name New York publisher are slimmer than they've ever been. Traditionally published books are a small minority of the 4,000 new books released every day, as e-books and new publishing platforms have skyrocketed.

For the majority of aspiring writers, self-publishing and hybrid publishing have become the only options. Many new authors are intimidated by the steep learning curve of indie publishing and self-marketing, and don't know where to start. And while self-publishing has never been easier, it's also incredibly competitive.

This workshop will demystify indie publishing, helping fence-sitters get off the rail and into print and introducing them to effective marketing strategies.

The workshop will cover

- Choosing an indie path
- Editing and reviews
- Preparing manuscripts and covers
- Publishing and metadata
- Marketing

Marj Charlier has a bachelor's degree from Iowa State University (PhiBeta Kappa) a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and an MBA from Regis University. She worked at several small and mid-sized dailies before joining the Wall Street Journal as a staff reporter. After twenty years in journalism she spent another twenty years in finance departments, during which she wrote and self-published her first novel. Since retiring in 2013, she has self-published eight more literary novels and two romances.

She owns Sunacumen Press, a hybrid publisher based in Palm Springs, CA. She is a member of the Independent Book Publishers Association, a sponsor of the Inlandia Institute in Riverside, CA, and a board member of the Diamond Valley Writers Guild and the Palm Springs chapter of the National League of American Pen Women.

Please call the Bertha Bartlett Public Library at 515-733-2685 to register for the workshop. Early-bird registration is \$10 or \$15 the day of the workshop. Space is limited.



Charlier is a native of Story City, currently residing in California. She has self-published over eight books and is the owner of Sunacumen Press, a hybrid publisher based in California.

www.storycity.lib.ia.us

Story City Hours:

Monday	10 am—8 pm
Tuesday	10 am—8 pm
Wednesday	10 am—5 pm
Thursday	10 am—8 pm
Friday	10 am—5 pm
Saturday	10 am—5 pm
Sunday	1 pm—5 pm

Gilbert Hours:

Tuesdays	3—7:30 pm
Wednesdays	10 am—2 pm
Thursdays	3—7:30 pm
Saturday	10—12 pm



Bertha Bartlett Public Library

BBPL By-lines

Fast Facts from Bertha B

Monthly Statistics from March 2018

Items Checked Out	4,465
Patron Visits	3,105
eBooks	272
Downloadable Audio	291
Reference Questions	180
New Library Cards	10

REMINDER:

Bertha Bartlett Public Library is **closed** on Sunday and Monday of Memorial Day Weekend (May 27-28).

NOTE: The library is closed on Sundays from Memorial Day to Labor Day.



Reminder: Take care of your library materials! Please keep them away from pets, liquids and extreme temperatures.

View all upcoming events on our website at www.storycity.lib.ia.us or find us on Facebook!





Happenings



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Early Out Program!

May 9, 2 to 3 pm

All ages invited!

RICK EUGENE'S MAGIC SHOW!



Family Storytime



May 10, 6:30 pm

For families with children up to age 9.



HOMESCHOOLERS CONCATENATE:

May 18, 1 pm

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2018 SUMMER READING: LIBRARIES ROCK!

Summer Reading is right around the corner! This year, readers will explore all things musical as Bertha Bartlett Public Library and Gilbert Library present "Libraries Rock" during their summer library program. The 2018 Summer Reading Program is open to all ages, from babies to adults.

Pre-registration for "Libraries Rock" begins on May 21. Participants may begin reading and collecting prizes on May 29. We have a great line-up of prizes this summer, including tickets to the I-Cubs and the Blank Park Zoo and gift cards to area restaurants.

Our programming kicks off on June 12 with Bertha B's Teens (Tuesdays, 10:30), followed by the Tween Team (Wednesdays, 10:30 am). Kids Of Our Library (KOOL), for K-4th grades, meets on Thursdays at 1 pm in Story City and 3 pm in Gilbert. We excited to welcome special guest Will Stuck for our very first program on June 14. Preschool Storytime will meet on Fridays at 10:30.

For more information, call the library at 515-733-2685 or visit our website, www.storycity.lib.ia.us. All programs (except Charlier writer's workshop) are free of charge.

preschool Storytime in Story City on Fridays, 10:30 am
preschool Storytime in Gilbert on Thursdays, 10:30 am



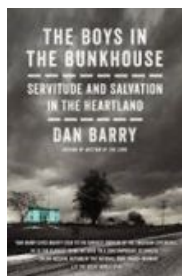
Bartlett Book Club

Tuesday, May 22, 2-3 pm

Kinne Wing

The Boys in the Bunkhouse

By Dan Barry



Timberland Book Club

1st Thursday, 2 pm

Timberland Village Conference Room

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Fridays, 10 am, BBPL Kinne Wing

