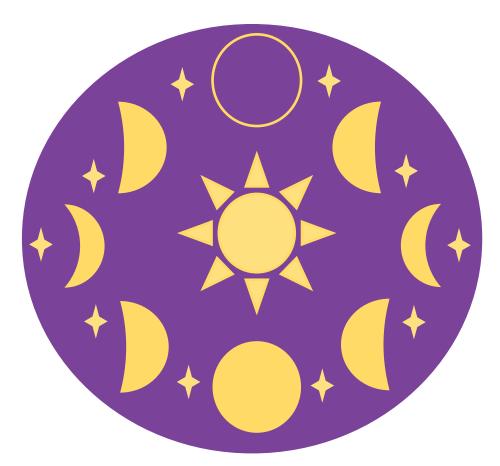


New Year Edition 2024



"No matter how wonderful things used to be, we cannot live in the past.

The joy and excitement we feel here and now are more important."

-The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up by Marie Kondo (CC-3053)

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Librarian's Letter



This Quarterly is a little bit different. It will highlight books from the Land of Enchantment program, best books of 2023, books that may help you meet your goals for 2024, and provide information about some of the services and resources that are available to New Mexicans statewide.

In October, I co-presented "The Books Have Arrived! A History of the Bookmobiles and Books by Mail" with Laura Gonzales of the Northeast Bookmobile program at the New Mexico Library Association centennial conference. It took quite a bit of research and calling around to find out about the history of Books by Mail. I included some of the information I found in this Quarterly. I also found multiple letters that were written to Teresa and Veronica that were incredibly heartwarming! I wish I could have met Veronica and had more time to work with Teresa. The presentation was well received and the audience were in awe of how we serve all of New Mexico with the resources we have.

I also got the chance to visit the Martha Liebert Public Library in Bernalillo, the Magdalena Public Library and the Good Samaritan Society of Socorro in November. The drive was beautiful and it reminded me of all the road trips throughout New Mexico my parents and I took when I was a child. Living in a rural area has its challenges and struggles, but the changing scenery is always enchanting!

It was fantastic to meet with the staff of the libraries and Good Samaritan Society! They all care so much for the people of their communities and work super hard to provide access to books. I'm honored to be working with people like them and with patrons like you.

I moved into this program in March and learned and accomplished so much since. I'm happy and honored that I am able to work for a program that serves the wonderful residents of this state. I wake up each weekday excited to come to work to get orders together and work on projects that will improve this program for you. It has been a lot of work, but it is exciting and fulfilling. What a wonderful year it has been!

All the best to you and your household! Happy New Year!

-Berdina, Books by Mail Librarian



2024 State Holidays

Books by Mail will be closed on these dates this upcoming year. Make sure you mark your calendars so that you can receive book orders in time.



Holiday

New Year's Day

Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday

Memorial Day

Juneteenth

Independence Day

Labor Day

Indigenous People's Day

Veteran's Day

Thanksgiving Day

Presidents' Day

Christmas Day

Observed

Monday, January 1st 2024

Monday, January 15th 2024

Monday, May 27th 2024

Wednesday, June 19th 2024

Thursday, July 4th 2024

Monday, September 2nd 2024

Monday, October 14th 2024

Monday, November 11th 2024

Thursday, November 28th 2024

Friday, November 29th 2024

Wednesday, December 25th 2024



These dates and any additional expected closures or days that the librarian is out of the office will also be published in the upcoming quarterly catalogs. Depending on availability, there may be some coverage from the NMSL Delivery and Courier Service staff on days the librarian is out of the office.

January 2024

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Books by Mail Fun Facts

1975

The program started in the 1975 with four staff members providing library services to New Mexico residents living in rural areas. As the years went by and it became easier to access large print, the program expanded to include serving people with low vision, visual impairments, and physical disabilities.





75 Daily Tasks

Very little has changed in the day to day tasks to operate the Books by Mail program. Staffing has changed a lot since 1975 but technology has made conducting the service for all of New Mexico easier.

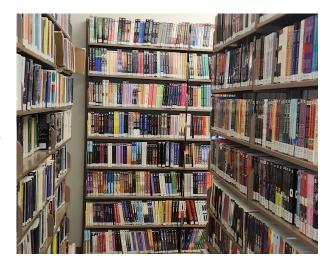
Counting Books

2009: The collection had 16.000 titles.

2023: There are over 29,000.

2013: 1,900 books were in the large print collection.

2023: There are over 5,000.





Hoopla Arrives in 2023

The pandemic highlighted just how much of a need digital books were, NMSL worked to get Books by Mail patrons access to the app. This added thousands more titles to the collection as eBooks, eComics, and audio books and even includes movies, tv shows, and music for patrons to stream!

Know someone who may enjoy Books by Mail? Give them the flyer with the registration form on next page.

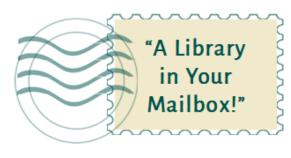


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New Mexicans can register for this service if they:

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- Are homebound due to a physical disability,
- ◆ Can only read large print books due to a visual disability,
- ◆ Or are registered patrons of the NM State Library for the Blind and Print Disabled due to blindness, low vision, or a physical disability. Fill out and mail the provided registration form on the back to the address below or call to become a patron today!

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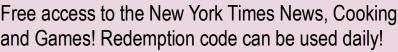






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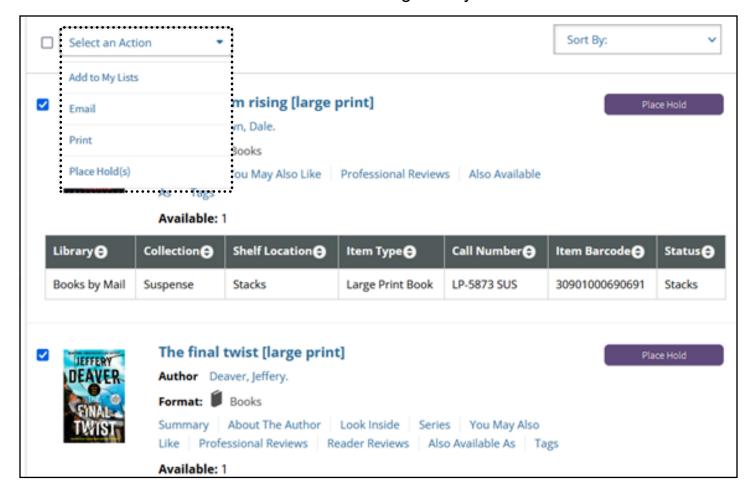
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The Bookmobile Program







The State Library operates three bookmobiles that offer library and information services to underserved and rural areas. Each bookmobile carries up to 3,500 volumes and makes a monthly route of regularly-scheduled stops in the rural communities within its region. They serve 25 New Mexico counties with over 100 stops. Patrons can sign up at any of the local stops. They travel over 65,000 miles per year and serve over 19,000 people (nearly 30% being children) per year. The program started in 1956.

Bookmobile Northeast

The Northeast Bookmobile serves northern New Mexico communities, and also operates a "walk-in" library in the town of Cimarron. The library is normally open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM. and Friday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

MONDAY: JAN 8, FEB 5, MAR 4

Tres Piedres Post Office 10:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M. Carson Store 11:15 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Penasco The Spot 2:00 P.M. - 2:45 P.M.

TUESDAY: JAN 9, FEB 6, MAR 5

Velarde

Elementary School 10:00 A.M. - 11:15 A.M. Mike's Mini Mart 11:30 A.M. - 12:15 P.M. Coronado — Schools 2:30 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.

WEDNESDAY: JAN 10, FEB 7, MAR 6

Pueblo Pintado K-8 8:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M. Tse' Yi' Gai High School 10:45 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Na Neelzhiini Ji Olta

• Elementary 12:00 P.M. - 12:45 P.M. Lybrook Elementary School 2:30 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.

THURSDAY: JAN 11, FEB 8, MAR 7

Chama Elementary/Middle School

9:15 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Tierra Amarilla

Elementary School
 Courthouse
 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
 12:30 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.

MONDAY: JAN 22, FEB 12, MAR 11

Mosquero School 9:30 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. Roy

Across from PO/School
 Wagon Mound School
 Wagon Mound Post Office
 Maxwell School
 10:45 A.M. - 11:15 A.M.
 12:30 P.M. - 1:15 P.M.
 1:15 P.M. - 1:45 P.M.
 2:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

TUESDAY: JAN 23, FEB 13, MAR 12

Des Moines School 9:15 A.M. - 10:45 A.M.
Des Moines Senior Center 10:45 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.
Vermejo Park Ranch 2:15 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY: JAN 24, FEB 14, MAR 13

Watrous Coffee House 9:00-9:30
Ribera Post Office 10:15-10:45
Pecos Pecos Municipal Building 12:30—1:30
Miami Fire Department 3:30—4:15

THURSDAY: JAN 25, FEB 15, MAR 14

Rociada

 Chacon Belts and Buckles 9:30 A.M. - 10:15 A.M.

Mora

Growers Market 10:45 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
 K-12 1:15 P.M. - 2:45 P.M.

Northeast Bookmobile Contact

356D East 9th St PO Box 97

Cimarron NM 87714

Phone: 575-376-2474

Bookmobile East

The Northeast Bookmobile serves southeastern New Mexico. Based in Tucumcari, the bookmobile office has two staff members. Operating hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM.

MONDAY: JAN 8TH, FEB 5TH, MAR 4TH

11:30 A.M. - 12:30 Hagerman Post Office

P.M.

Lakewood SKP Ranch 2:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

TUESDAY: JAN 9TH, FEB 6TH, MAR 5TH

Pinon Store 8:45 A.M. - 9:45 A.M. 10:30 A.M - 11:30

Sacramento

A.M.

Mayhill Post Office 1:15 P.M. - 2:15 P.M.

High Rolls The Tunnel Stop 3:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY: JAN 10TH, FEB 7TH, MAR 6TH

La Luz 8:15 A.M. - 9:15 A.M.

Hondo Senior Center 10:30 A.M. - 12:45 P.M.

Lincoln Post Office 11:45 A.M. - 12: 45 P.M.

Carrizozo Honey Girls Café 2:35 P.M. - 4:35 P.M.

THURSDAY: JAN 11TH, FEB 8TH, MAR 7TH

8:30 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. White Oaks Vaughn Senior Center 10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Newkirk Post Office 2:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M. Conchas Fire Station 3:15 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.

MONDAY: FEB 12TH, MAR 11TH

9:45 A.M. - 11:15 A.M. **Grady School Grady Post Office** 11:20 A.M. - 11:50 A.M. St. Vrain 2:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

TUESDAY: JAN 16TH, FEB 13TH, MAR 13TH

Melrose Senior Center 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. Melrose Schools 10:05 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Elida City Hall 1:45 P.M. - 2:45 P.M.

WEDNESDAY: JAN 17TH, FEB 14TH, MAR 13TH

House Schools 10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. House Community Center 11:35 A.M. - 12:35 P.M. McAlister 12:50 P.M. - 1:20 P.M. Quay 1:40 P.M. - 2:10 P.M.

THURSDAY: JAN 18TH, FEB 15TH, MAR 14TH

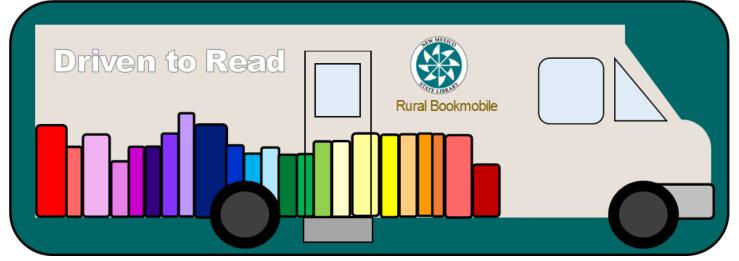
Amistad Post Office 9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. Nara Visa Post Office 10:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. 11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. Logan Senior Center Logan Car Wash 12:35 P.M. - 1:35 P.M.

East Bookmobile Contact

700 W Amarosa St. Ste B

PO Box 1163

Tucumcari NM 88401 Phone: 575-461-1206



Bookmobile West

The West Bookmobile serves eight counties in the southwestern region of New Mexico. The Los Lunas based office has three staff members. Operating hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM.

FIRST WEEK

MONDAY: JAN 22, FEB 29TH, MAR 18TH

Bosque

-Cristo Rey Church 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

TUESDAY: JAN 23RD, FEB 20TH, MAR 19TH

Highland Meadows

-Across Mailbox Cluster 8:40 A.M. - 9:25 A.M

Cubero

-Villa de Cubero Store 10:10 A.M. - 10:55 A.M. Bluewater Post Office 12:45 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Thoreau Senior Center 2:00 P.M. - 2:45 P.M.

Whispering Cedars

-Fire Station 3:00 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.

WEDNESDAY: JAN 24TH, FEB 21ST, MAR 20TH

El Morro Ancient Way Café 9:30 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. Pine Hill Market 11:00 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

Ramah Post Office 1:15 P.M. - 2:15 P.M.

THURSDAY: JAN 25TH, FEB 22ND, MAR 21ST

Fence Lake

-Community Center 9:15 A.M. - 9:45 A.M. Quemado Post Office 10:30 A.M. - 11:15 A.M.

Pie Town

-Former Post Office 11:35 A.M. - 12:20 P.M.

Datil Post Office 1:40 P.M. - 2:25 P.M.

SECOND WEEK

MONDAY: JAN 29TH, FEB 26TH, MAR 25TH

Luna Post Office 12:00 P.M. - 12:45 P.M.

Reserve

-Across from Courthouse 2:15 P.M. - 3:13 P.M.

TUESDAY: JAN 30TH, FEB 27TH, MAR 26TH

Buckhorn Post Office 9:15 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Rodeo Grocery/Café 1:20 P.M. - 2:05 P.M.

WEDNESDAY: JAN 31ST, FEB 28TH, MAR 27TH

Mimbres

-Living Harvest Bakery 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Lake Roberts

-Sapillo Creek Fire Station 10:45 A.M. - 11:15 A.M.

Gila Hot Springs

-Doc Campbell's Post 1:00 P.M. - 1:45 P.M.

Hillsboro Post Office 4:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

THURSDAY: FEB 1ST, FEB 29TH, MAR 28TH

Caballo

-L'il Abner's RV Park 8:35 A.M. - 9:20 A.M.

Monticello Post Office 10:05 A.M. - 10:50 A.M.

Winston

-Community Center 11:50 A.M. - 12:35 P.M.

West Bookmobile Contact

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Congratulations Kianah!



Kianah A. from Truth or Consequences, NM graduated this year from the Career Online High School program and received her high school diploma and career training in General Studies. She accomplished this while working full time. As a patron of the New Mexico State Library Rural Services programs, Kianah was able to register for the courses and take advantage of the flexibility it offered by doing her work in her free time. Congratulations to Kianah! I applaud your hard work and dedication to your education and wish you all the best for the future! - Berdina, Books by Mail Librarian

2024 Goals: Education

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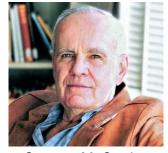
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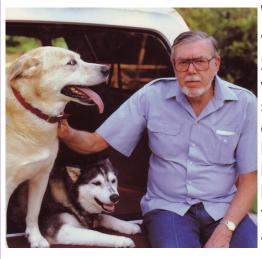
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2023 Books by Mail Top Ten Authors

Top Ten Authors

- 1. William W. Johnstone 106 checkouts
- 2. James Patterson 72 checkouts
- 3. Danielle Steel 48 checkouts
- 4. CJ Box 32 checkouts
- 5. Sandra Brown 27 checkouts

- 6. Catherine Coulter 23 check outs
- 7. Debbie Macomber 23 checkouts
- 8. Jonathan Kellerman 21 checkouts
- 9. Lori Foster 18 checkouts
- 10. Carolyn Brown 16 checkouts.



William W. Johnstone

William Wallace Johnstone was born in Missouri on October 28th, 1938. He was the youngest of four children and his father was a minister and his mother was a school teacher. He left school at fifteen years old and worked in a carnival then as a deputy sheriff, then in radio broadcasting for sixteen years after he finished his service with the US Army. He published his first book, *The Devil's Kiss* in 1979. He wrote close to two hundred books in numerous genres and also authored two novels under the pseudonym Willliam Mason. He died on February 8th, 2004 at sixty-five. His niece J.A. Johnstone continues his work.

2023 Books by Mail Top Ten Books

These are the most popular check outs from the library in 2023 by patrons statewide!

#1 LP-6026 Shadows Reel by C.J. Box

Joe is called out for a moose poaching incident that turns out to be something much more sinister. Marybeth opens an unmarked package and finds a photo album connected to an infamous Nazi.

#2 LP-6033 The Sacred Bridge by Anne Hillerman

Chee investigates the death of a Diné artist, putting this own life at risk, while Manuelito searches for the killer of a hitchhiker connected to a Diné Nation cannabis enterprise.

#3 LP-6037 Death of the Black Widow by James Patterson

A case from his very first night on the job, where a woman bludgeoned her kidnapper and then vanished, still haunts a detective years later and he discovers he is not alone in his search.

#4 BX-2159 Quicksilver by Dean R. Koontz LP-6166 Large Print

Quinn's on the run when he meets Bridget and her grandpa Sparky. They decide to help each other stay alive and keep moving through he Sonoran Desert away from the sinister enemy.

#5 BX-0102 Head Wounds by Michael McGarrity

Clayton investigates a double homicide at a Las Cruces hotel where a couple had been scalped and their throats slit. Six months prior, the victims had walked out of a nearby casino with \$200,000 of a high-stakes gambler's money.

#6 LP-6073 Shattered by James Patterson

Michael risks venturing outside his jurisdiction to find out why an FBI abduction specialist Parker failed to show up at the DC Headquarters. Her enemies had both the means and motives to silence her and her protectors.

#7 CC-3207 Suspects by Danielle Steel LP-6084 Large Print

A year ago, Theodora's husband and son had been kidnapped for ransom which ended in tragedy. With the case now cold despite the evidence, Theo has returned to work and meets Mike, a lawyer with a secret.

#8 LP-6088 The Best is Yet to Come by Debbie Macomber

As Hope works with rescue dog Shadow, she grows close to a wounded ex-marine who also volunteers at the local animal shelter, Cade. Their new happiness is put to the test by past conflicts and an escalating situation at the high school where she works. Love and compassion will help them heal their wounds.

#9 LP-6065 22 Seconds by James Patterson

With rumors of a last-ditch shipment of drugs and weapons crossing the Mexican border, Lindsay finds out just how close to home the case hits. She could lose her badge or her life.

#10 LP-6027 Along the Rio Grande by Tracie Peterson

Susanna follows her family to New Mexico for a fresh start. Owen is afraid of opening up his heart again, especially as painful memories are stirred up. But if he can't face the past, he'll miss out on his chance at Susanna's love.



2023 Books by Mail Number Ones

Ten books that were checked out once during 2023.

Standard Print

BV-9756 Turn a Blind Eye by Jeffery Archer William Warwick finds his investigation compromised when Detective Nicky falls for the target and the corruption goes deeper than he thought.

BX-0039 The Sorority Murder by Allison Brennan

Obsessed with the murder of Candace Swain, Lucas Vega discovers new information three years after her death and teams up with a former U.S. marshal to solve this case.

BB-3184 The Bible's Greatest Stories

From the story of the Creation to the life, crucifixion, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, the greatest stories from the Bible are gathered and are presented in a masterful, accessible translation by a distinguished poet and scholar.

BX-2094 Regenesis: Feeding the World Without Devouring the Planet by George Monbiot

Drawing on advances in soil ecology, Monbiot reveals how our changing understanding of the world beneath our feet could allow us to grow more food with less farming.

BX-2110 The Constitution Explained: a guide for every American by David L. Hudson

Takes an even-handed approach to controversial issues and explores various points of view. It sheds a light on the differing and changing interpretations of the many broadly worded key phrases in the Constitution. You'll learn how the Constitution has been adopted to different times and various situations. You'll learn what it doesand does not-promise U.S. citizens. This resource is designed to help you understand the power and strength of the U.S. Constitution.

<u>Large Print</u>

LP-6122 The Light We Carry by Michelle Obama

Drawing from her experiences, Michelle shares the habits and principles she has developed to successfully adapt to change and overcome various obstacles--the earned wisdom that helps her continue to 'become.'

LP-5887 While Justice Sleeps by Stacey Abrams

Avery must unravel the clues legendary Justice Howard Wynn left behind in regards to a dangerous conspiracy that has infiltrated the highest power corridors of Washington.

LP-5209 The Italian Teacher by Tom Rachman

A youth raised to revere the genius artist father who abandoned their family strives to become worthy of his father's attentions through a series of failed career pursuits before he hatches a scheme to secure his father's legacy.

Available in Both Standard and Large Print

BL-4047 Song of the Lion by Anne Hillerman LP-5035 Large Print

A deadly bombing takes Navajo Tribal cops Bernadette, Manuelito, Jim Chee, and their mentor, the legendary Lieutenant Joe Leaphorn, back into the past to find a vengeful killer.

BK-0194 Rock With Wings by Anne Hillerman LP-4555 Large Print

Separated by different cases, Chee follows cryptic clues to the body of a missing woman while Bernie manages the fallout of a drug bust gone wrong.

Librarian's Top Read for 2023

These are my reviews and ratings of some of the best books I 've read in 2023. CC-3065 Mister Miracle by Tom King

The adventures and dramas of this comic are awesome - Good guys fighting evil! Hooray! But I read it for the romance! This is a heartfelt story about love, honor, and family life more than just being a superhero comic about good vs. evil. Mister Miracle/Scott Free and Big Barda are so good together! Their date at the carnival was so sweet and heart wrenching because of Barda's fear of losing him. They're married and about to have a baby which makes them think more about their reasons for fighting against evil. And I came to the realization that Scott is battling more than Darkseid's forces, he's battling his struggle with the anti-life equation (suicide) and not letting it win him over his love for Barda and the life they have made together. It is a brilliant and beautiful story. 5 stars

CE-1149 Sugar in Milk by Thrity Umrigar

Filled with lovely artwork and the story of finding a home in a strange land was so touching it brought tears to my eyes. I recommended it to everyone I met at the NMLA conference. 4.5 stars

CC-3094 Sulwe by Lupita Nyong'o

This is a beautiful story with gorgeous artwork about loving oneself even if the people around you can't see your beauty. 4.5 stars

CC-3233 Legendborn by Tracy Deonn

I related to the main character as she worked through her pain of losing her mother. It had wonderful world building and was fast paced. I could not put it down! 4.5 stars

CC-3131 My Heart is a Chainsaw by Stephen Graham Jones (The Indian Lake Trilogy #1)

I could not go to sleep after reading this. It was disturbing at some points and made my heart ache for the main character. While it does start off a bit slow, the set up really brings everything together. 4 stars

CC-3127 XOXO by Axie Oh

This was such an adorable romance that reminded me of the Korean romance dramas my mom and I love binge-watching. It has all the sweet jitters of first love and learning how to navigate a brand new world. My mom thought it was super cute, too! 4 stars

Librarian's Flops for 2023

LP-6218 The Quiet Tenant by Clemence Michallon

My book club chose this novel since it was hyped by media outlets such as the New York Times and ABC News as the #1 Thriller of 2023. It definitely had a very interesting premise and started out really promising since it switched viewpoints from the victim, "Rachel", the kidnapper's teen daughter, Cecilia, and the kidnapper's awfully young girlfriend, Emily. We never get the viewpoint of the kidnapper, Aiden, but I got a sense of who he was more than I did of the women in his life.

It started out really strong with Rachel. Cecilia's parts didn't do much for the story and it got really frustrating to read once Emily was in the picture, because her infatuation with Aiden was desperate and obsessive and seemed stereotypical. Rachel's portions were the best parts because you are put into her shoes and can understand her will to survive but there were also times it dragged on. I was glad that the author wasn't overly descriptive of the abuse Rachel experienced. A large portion of the story felt bland and the ending seemed very rushed and unfinished. I can see the appeal and wish I could have enjoyed it more, but it wasn't for me. 1 star

Top Three Movies of 2023 (USA Today)

#1) Killers of the Flower Moon: Real love crosses paths with unspeakable betrayal as Mollie, a member of the Osage Nation, tries to save her community from a spree of murders fueled by oil and greed. Released in October. **Book Recommendation:**

BV-8658 Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI by David Grann

A true account of the murders of dozens of wealthy Osage and law enforcement officials, citing the contributions and missteps of a fledgling FBI that uncovered one of the most chilling conspiracies in American history.

#2) Rye Lane: Two youngsters reeling from bad break-ups connect over a particularly eventful day in South London. Released in March.

Book Recommendation:

CC-3225 What If It's Us by Becky Albertalli and Adam Silvera

Arthur is in New York for the summer but if Broadway has taught him anything, it's that the universe can deliver a showstopping romance when you least expect it. Ben thinks the universe needs to mind its business until he meets Arthur.

#3) Barbie: Barbie and Ken are having the time of their lives in the colorful and seemingly perfect world of Barbie Land. However, when they get a chance to go to the real world, they soon discover the joys and perils of living among humans. Released in July.

Book Recommendation:

SW-0273 New Mexican Women Working for Change by Beth Wood and Deb Preusch

Compiled in 1981, New Mexico People and Energy interviewed twenty women in New Mexico working toward social change. They differ in age, race, marital status, sexual preference, and economic background. Some are die-hard rural women, others wouldn't think of leaving the big city. "We hope that his booklet helps awaken the connections among women in New Mexico."

"That's My Barbie!"



Traveling the Land of Enchantment 2023

New Mexico was named one of the 50 best places to visit in the US in 2023 by the travel website, Thrillist. It praised New Mexico's enchanting landscapes, unique food scene, and rich history. Take a look at these guides to help plan your travels in New Mexico for this year.

Standard Print

BK-0573 By The Way...: A Guide to New Mexico's 25 Scenic Byways by Laurie Evans Frantz, Lesley S. King, and Marti Niman

Packed with helpful driving directions, useful tidbits, and a map, By The Way teaches travelers about the Land of Enchantment and it's beautiful back roads and roadside attractions.

BK-0575 King of the Road: Adventures Along New Mexico's Friendly Byways by Lesley S. King

Feel like you're immersed in a culture or place, find adventure and gain a new understanding of the world by following King's travels from Two Grey Hills to the edge of the Sand Pedro Wilderness.

Top Diet of the Year: Mediterranean

Blending the basics of heathy eating with traditional flavors and cooking methods of the people in the Mediterranean region, this heart healthy eating plan has been named the Top Diet of the year by U.S. News' panel of leading medical and nutrition experts. Check out some of the books the library has on this diet. Before trying a new diet, please consult with your doctor on the best diet for you.

Standard Print

AZ-0329 Mediterranean: Secrets of the World's Heathiest Fiet by Marie-Annick Courtier

A cookbook for the health-concerned that includes an overview of how omega-3 can help with a range of diseases and tips on the best food to eat for a healthier heart.

BG-3171 Mediterranean Diet for Dummies

Draws on expert advice to counsel readers on how to transition to and make the most of the popular dietary lifestyle, sharing recipes and insights into its fundamental concepts to promote weight loss and minimize health risks.

BG-2010 The Mediterranean Slow Cooker by Michele Scicolone

Gathers dishes from every corner of the Mediterranean and streamlines them for the slow cooker.

BL-2182 The Complete Mediterranean Cookbook: 500 Kitchen Tested Recipes for Living and Eating Well Every Day by America's Test Kitchen

Contains recipes designed to demystify the Mediterranean diet and offers insights into how the diet has the potential for bolstering heath.

BR-5548 The Everything Mediterranean Instant Pot Cookbook: 300 Recipes for Heathy Mediterranean Meals-- Made in Minutes by Kelly Jaggers

Provides easy to make recipes to create healthy, fresh and fast meals for every day of the week.

BV-7718 Frugal Mediterranean Cooking: Easy, Affordable Recipes for Lifelong Health by Melanie Lionello

A nutritionist and recipe developer shows readers how to use lean proteins, bright produce, delicious seafood, and heart-healthy olive oil to create flavorful dishes.

BX-0185 More Mediterranean: 225+ New Plant Forward Recipes, Endless Inspiration for Eating Well by America's Test Kitchen

A follow up to The Complete Mediterranean Cookbook that is organized to emphasize the joy of the Mediterranean diet as a nourishing, sustainable lifestyle.

"This is hands down the best diet. It encourages whole natural foods, and has the research to back it up. It is also the most delicious!



Vahista Ussery

MS, MBA, RDN

Expertise: Registered dietitian and co-founder of To Taste, a culinary nutrition consulting company.

Education: Texas Women's University, Texas Christian University, Culinary School of Fort Worth *Information from usnews.com*

The Real Top Diet of the Year: New Mexican

Known for its fusion of Puebloan cuisine with Hispano Spanish and Mexican cuisine, New Mexican cuisine is full of flavor from our love of chile and contains healthy vegetables, lentils, grains, and proteins. While a few of these titles do not have summaries, they contain some of the best recipes from various areas of New Mexico. The question is: red or green?

Standard Print

SW-0362 New Mexico Magazine's More of the Best from New Mexico Kitchens by Sheila MacNiven Cameron

Provides recipes for appetizers, soups, breads, side dishes, main courses, and desserts with reflect the best of traditional and modern cuisine.

SW-0061 Green Chili Recipe Fiesta: A cookbook for green chile chefs by the New Mexico State University

Prize winning contest recipes for chili appetizers, casseroles, omelets, meats, vegetables, and old favorite dishes with new twists.

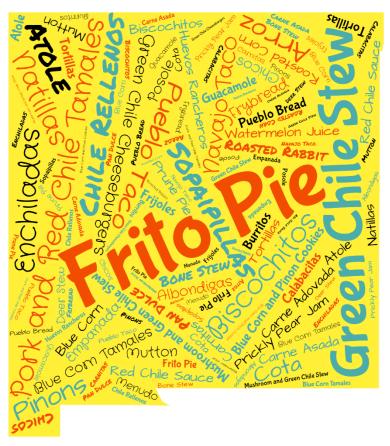
SW-0859 Pueblo Indian Cookbook: recipes from the Pueblos of the American Southwest Also includes an introduction by Priscilla Vigil of Tesuque Pueblo.

SW-0364 Santa Fe Cookery: Traditional New Mexican Recipes by Jim Douglas

SW-0048 New Mexico Dishes by Margarita C. de Baca.

SW-0310 The Genuine New Mexico Tasty Recipes: With Additional Materials on Traditional Hispano Food by Cleofas M. Jaramillo

SW-0270 The Pioneer Cookbook: recipes of the early settlers of Roosevelt County, NM by Ruth S. Webster and the Roosevelt County Historical and Genealogical Society



New Year, New You

Whatever your goals are for 2024, Books by Mail has a book for you! These are just a few of the non-fiction books we have that can give you a starting point on your goals.

Physical Health

BR-4627 Pilates: Complete Training For a Supple Body by Stefanie Rahn and Christian Lutz

A functionally oriented Pilates training program for women comprehensively explains a variety of exercises for strengthening the body's core and supporting muscles that promote fitness through a correct and healthy posture.

BE-5033 Prescriptive Stretching by Kristian Berg

Detailed discussion of PNF stretching, a popular combination of passive stretching and isometric contraction, is covered with sample programs designed to improve flexibility and assist with injury prevention.

Finances

BX-1010 Finance for the People: Getting a Grip on Your Finances by Paco De Leon

Teaches readers to examine their beliefs and experiences about money in order to break out of the debt cycle and begin accumulating wealth.

BH-4130 The \$1000 Challenge: How One Family Slashed Its Budget Without Moving Under a Bridge or Living on Government Cheese by Brian J. O'Connor

Recounts the author's ten week experiment to cut his family's monthly budget expenses without sacrificing anything important.

Mindfulness

BV-7749 Pocket Therapy for Emotional Balance by Matthew McKay, Jeffery C. Wood, Jeffery Brantley

Offers quick evidence-based tips and tools for managing intense emotions in the moment.

BJ-7259 In This Moment: Five Steps to Transcending Stress Using Mindfulness and Neuroscience by Kirk D. Strosahl and Patricia J. Robinson

Fight stress through a series of mindfulness exercises that can strengthen the areas of the brain that promote vitality and can lead to a happier, more balanced life.

BH-4221 Buddha's Book of Stress Reduction: Finding Serenity and Peace with Mindfulness Meditation by Joseph Emet

Relieve and manage stress to find peace through mindful meditation and recognize the difference between the things we can and cannot control.



Relationships

Standard Print

BH-5089 How to Care for Aging Parents by Virginia Morris

Guides those caring for an elderly relative or friend by incorporating medical findings, information on fraud, helpful online resources, and "aging in place" technologies.

BK-0316 Marriage Boot Camp: Defeat the Top 10 Marriage Killers and Build a Rock-solid Relationship by Elizabeth and James Carroll

Drawing on 20 years of experience, relationship experts present a "do-it-yourself" relationship bible that will help fix marriages, revive relationships, and make the happily-ever-afters come true.

BV-9694 Baby Bomb: A Relationship Survival Guide for New Parents by Kara Hoppe and Stan Tatkin

Guides new parents on navigating the life-altering challenges of caring for a newborn while still maintaining a solid relationship necessary for supportive parenting.

CE-1118 The Highly Sensitive Person's Guide to Dealing with Toxic People: How to Reclaim Your Power from Narcissists and Other Manipulators

A practical road map to help highly sensitive people identify and deal effectively with toxic people--at work, in the family, in friendships, or in romantic relationships.

Large Print

LP-3273 Every Woman's Marriage: Igniting the Joy and Passion You Both Desire by Shannon and Greg Ethridge

Offers penetrating insights about what it takes to nurture a dynamic marriage. On every page, readers will find practical tools and wise counseling for transforming a listless marriage into a vibrant, exciting relationship.

LP-3444 The Friends We Keep: A Woman's Quest for the Soul of Friendship by Sarah Zacharias Davis

Explores questions regarding friendship with personal stories, cultural references and history, faith, and grace. Delivers wisdom for navigating the challenges, mysteries, and delights of friendship: why we need friendships with other women, what it means to be safe in relationship, and how to embrace what a friend has to offer, whether meager or generous.

Organizing

CC-3030 Get It Together: Organize Your Records So Your Family Won't Have To by Melanie Cullen

A guide and resource to help you gather your records and prepare important documents into a planner. Also gives directions for safely storing your personal planner, maintaining it, and talking with your loved ones about accessing it when the time comes.

BC-0066 Unstuff Your Life!: Kick the Clutter Habit and Completely Organize Your Life for Good by Andrew J. Mellen

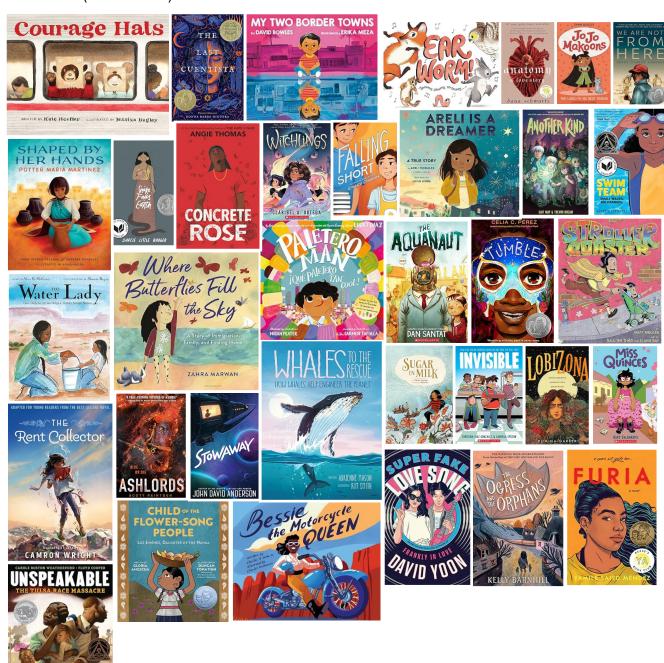
Gets to the root of the problem and offers an action-based plan for redirecting clutterers from dwelling on their feelings, in a book that also offers practical decluttering steps, including, how to effectively sort mail, how to tackle bills and a budget and much more.

Land of Enchantment Book Award

Established in 1982, the Land of Enchantment Book Award encourages New Mexico's youth to read outstanding books of literary quality. Youth who have read or have had read to them the required number of nominated books from one of the lists vote on their favorite. Voting begins April 1st and will close on May 15th.

Books by Mail patrons can submit their vote by phone, email, or mailing in ballots. Voting will also be available online at sites.google.com/view/loe-book-award

- Roadrunner (Grades K-3): at least three books
- Coyote (Grades 3-5): at least three books from the current list
- Lizard (Grades 6-8): at least two books from the current list
- Black Bear (Grades9-12): at least one book from the current list



LOE Roadrunner Nominees (Grades K-3)

CE-1007 Areli is a Dreamer by Areli Morales. Illustrations by Luisa Uribe CE-1023 Areli es una Dreamer (Español)

Areli was a child of two worlds. She was born Mexico and raised in New York City from the age of six. Teased by her classmates and worried about the stresses of immigration, she had to work extra hard to learn in a new language and fit in./ Areli es una niña de dos mundos. Ella nacia en México y se crio en la ciudad de New York desde los seis años. Molestada por sus compañeros de clase y preocupada por el estrés de la inmigración, tuvo que trabajar muy duro para aprender un nuevo idioma y encajar.

CE-1142 Courage Hats by Kate Hoefler. Illustrated by Jessixa Bagley

Mae is a girl. Bear is a Bear. They find out this might be the only thing they don't have in common.

CE-1019 Ear Worm! by Jo Knowles. Illustrated by Galia Bernstein

Worm has a song stuck in his head. His friends have songs, too – and some nifty moves. Worm appreciates the company as he solves the musical mystery.

CE-1016 My Two Border Towns by David Bowles. Illustrated by Erika Meza

A boy and his father drive over to the Other Side/el Otro Lado. They eat, visit Tio Mateo and the paletero, and head to the pharmacy. They check in with friends and drop off supplies.

CE-1020 Paletero Man ¡Qué paletero tan cool! by Lucky Diaz. Illustrated by Micah Player. Translated by Carmen Tafolla (Bilingual)

What's the best way to cool off on a hot summer day? Run quick and find Paletero José! ¿Cuál es la major manera de refrescarse en un día caluroso? ¡Busque al Paletero José, quien les dará un antojito sabroso!

CE-1001 Shaped by Her Hands by Anna Harber Freeman and Barbara Gonzales. Illustrated by Aphelandra

In San Illdefonso Pueblo, Maria Martinez learned how to make pottery from her aunt. She grew up to perfect a firing technique that turns her pots black and shiny, making them – and Maria – famous.

CE-1143 Stroller Coaster by Matt Ringler. Illustrated by Raul the Third & Elaine Bay

When inside is too small and everything feels all wrong, it's time to take a ride on the stroller coaster. Zoom through the neighborhood as a bad mood is chased away with just a little bit of imagination. Buckle up...

CE-1144 The Water Lady: How Darlene Arviso Helps a Thirsty Navajo Nation by Alice B. McGinty. Illustrated by Shonto Begay

After Darlene drops off the students at the school, she drives her big yellow tanker truck to the water tower, fills it with three thousand gallons of water and returns to the reservation, bringing water to families and celebrating her people.

CE-1005 Where Butterflies Fill the Sky by Zahra Marwan

Marwan tells the true story of her family's immigration from Kuwait to New Mexico where together they made a new home.



LOE Coyote Nominees (Grades 3-5)

CE-1145 Another Kind by Cait May & Trevor Bream

Kids with strange, unpredictable abilities search for a new home after a security breach forces them out and into the path of the Collector, a mysterious being with leech-like powers.

CE-1146 The Aquanaut by Dan Santat

Sophia's life is turned upside down after four silly sea creatures break into Aqualand determined to free the park's captive marine life.

CE-1002 Bessie the Motorcycle Queen by Charles R. Smith Jr. Illustrated by Charlot Kristensen

Bessie hopped on her motorcycle and headed out on an adventure throughout the country, escaping Jim Crow and winning motorcycle races in1929. Folks line up to meet her.

CE-1012 Child of the Flower-Song People: Luz Jimenez, Daughter of the Nahua by Gloria Amescua. Illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh

Luz learned how to grind corn, twist yarn, and weave on a loom. At night, she listened to the stories of her community's joys, suffering, and survival, and wove them into her heart.

CE-1147 Jo Jo Makoons: The Used-To-Be Best Friend by Dawn Quigley. Illustrated by Tara Audibert

Jo Jo moves through the world a little differently than everyone else. She's worried that she needs to make more friends, because Fern, may not want to be friends with her anymore.

CE-1148 The Ogress and the Orphans by Kelly Barnhill

The Orphan House children and the kind Ogress can see how dire the town's problems are even as the Mayor promises how he can help. One day, a child goes missing and all eyes turn to the Ogress.

CE-1149 Sugar in Milk by Thrity Umrigar. Illustrated by Khoa Le

A young immigrant girl is struggling with loneliness and longing for the culture and familiarity of home. Her aunt takes her on a walk and tells her the myth of a group of refugees who arrived on a foreign shore and ask the local king for help.

CE-1013 Whale to the Rescue: How Whales Help Engineer the Planet by Adrienne Mason. Illustrated by Kim Smith

Whales are ecosystem engineers. They create, modify, or maintain a habitat or ecosystem as they live and even centuries after they've passed by reducing the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

CE-1150 Witchlings by Claribel Ortega CE-1151 en Español

Seven has worked very hard to be selected in House Hyacinth. But nothing goes as planned... she's a spare witch! She invokes her only option: the impossible task./Siete ha trabajado muy duro para que la seleccionen en la Casa del Jacinto. Pero nada sale según lo planeado... ¡ella una bruja de repuesto! Ella invoca su única opción: la tarea imposible.



LOE Lizard Nominees (Grades 6-8)

CE-1159 The Last Cuentista by Donna Barba Higuera

CE-1160 La Ultima Cuentista (Español)

Petra wakes up and discovers that she is the only person who remembers Earth. The Collective has taken command of the ship and purged memories. Only Petra can tell the stories of our past and, with them, the hopes of the future./ Petra se despierta y descubre que ella es la única persona que recuerda la Tierra. El Colectivo ha tomado el mando del barco y ha purgado los recuerdos. Sólo Petra puede contar las historias de nuestro pasado y, con ellas, las esperanzas del futuro.

CE-1161 Falling Short by Ernesto Cisneros Isaac vows to keep up with his school work and Marcos decides to be on the basketball team. Sixth grade will be lifechanging for both of them, even if they have troubles at home.

CE-1162 Invisible by Christina Diaz Gonzalez & Gabriela Epstein

Five very different Latine students are forced to complete community service hours so their school can win the service award. As they help someone in need, they become friends.

CE-1163 Miss Quinces by Kat Fajardo CE-1164 Srta. Quinces (Español)

Sue and her family go to Honduras to visit relatives. Her mother announces that they are having a surprise quinceañera for Sue, which is the last thing she wants./Sue y su familia van Honduras para visitar a unos familiares. Su madre anuncia que van a celebrar una quinceañera sorpresa para Sue, que es lo último que quiere.

CE-1165 The Rent Collector by Camron Wright (Adapted from CE-1166 for young readers.)

Sang Ly offers the rent collector a book instead of rent. An unlikely friendship develops between them after Sang Ly asks her to teach her how to read.

CE-1167 Stowaway by John David AndersonLeo and his father head to space as war looms over a new Earth mineral. They're attacked and Leo stows away on a space pirate ship, not

Leo stows away on a space pirate ship, not knowing where they are going or what has happened to his father.

CE-1168 Swim Team by Johnnie Christmas

Bree's neighbor trains her when she takes Swim 101. Soon, the community is counting on her to help win the state championship.

CE-1169 Tumble by Celia C. Perez CE-1170 Tumbos (Español)

On her search for answers, Addie meets the Bravos of Esperanza, New Mexico, a legendary lucha libre family that... happens to be hers./ En su Busqueda de respuestas, Addie conoce a los bravados de Esperanza, Nuevo Mexico, una familia de luchadores legendarios que... resulta ser la suya.

CE-1009 Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre by Carole Boston Weatherford & Floyd Cooper

A white mob attacked the Black community in 1921 Tulsa in one of the worst incidents of racial violence. News of what happen was largely suppressed and no official investigation occurred for seventy-five years.



LOE Black Bear Nominees (Grades 9-12)

CE-1152 We Are Not From Here by Jenny Torres Sanchez

CE-1153 No Somos De Aqui (Español)

Pulga, Chico, and Pequeña follow the route of La Bestia, the train system that will take them to a better life. With nothing but backpacks and desperation making their hearts pound, they know there is no turning back./Pulga, Chico, y Pequeña siguen la ruta de La Bestia, el sistema de trenes que los llevará a una vida mejor. Sin nada más que mochilas y la desesperación haciendo que sus corazones latan con fuerza, saben que no hay vuelta atrás.

CE-1154 Super Fake Love Song by David Yoon

Sunny Dae meets cool, confident Cirrus Soh and kind of tells her he's the front man of a rock band. He is knee-deep in the lie: he gets his best friends to form a fake band and starts dressing the part.

CE-1155 A Snake Falls to Earth by Darcie Little Badger

Nina believes in the old stories and Oli is a cottonmouth that lives on the banks of the bottomless lake. A catastrophic event on Earth and a strange sickness will drive their worlds together in ways they haven't been in centuries.

CE-1156 Lobizona by Romina Garber CE-1157 en Español

Manu investigates the only clue to his past after ICE arrests his mother and attacks his surrogate grandmother. He finds a world connected to his dead father and his criminal past that seems straight out of Argentine folklore./ Manu investiga la única pista de su pasado después de que ICE arresta a su madre y ataca a su abuela sustituta. Encuentra un mundo conectado con su padre muerto y su pasado criminal que parece sacado directamente del folclore argentino.

CC-3226 Concrete Rose by Angie Thomas

17-year- old Maverick is left with hard choices once he finds out he's a father. It's not easy to finish school, raise a child, and leave a gang. Loyalty, revenge, and responsibility threaten to tear Mav apart, especially after the brutal murder of a loved one.

CE-1158 Ashlords by Scott Reintgen

Eleven riders will compete in this year's phoenix horse races, but three of them have more to lose - a daughter of two former champions, a scholarship entrant, and the son of a revolutionary. One will attain their dream of glory and win power for their people.

CE-1100 Anatomy: A Love Story by Dana Schwartz

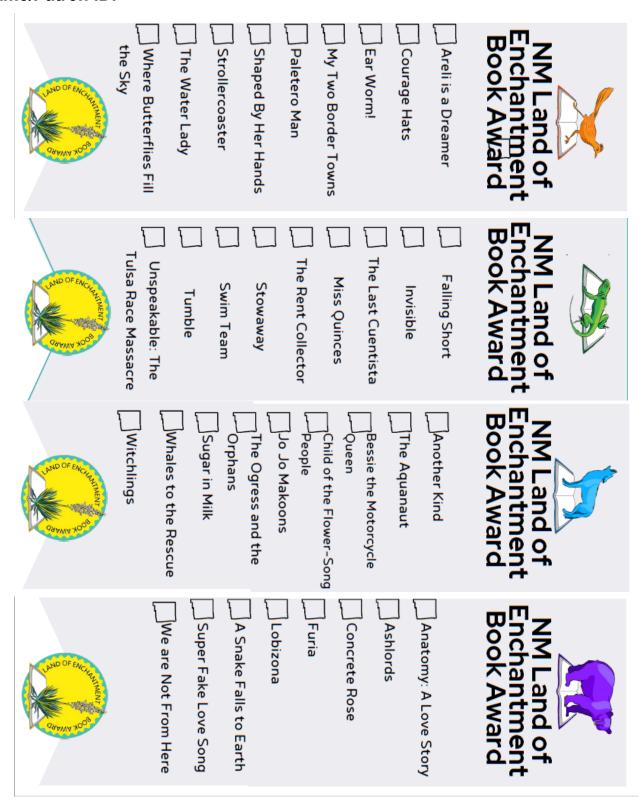
Hazel Sinnett is a medical student in 19th century Scotland who, after being kicked out because of her gender, works with new attractive acquaintance Jack Currer to procure dead bodies to study, but they soon discover secrets buried in the heart of Edinburgh society.



Books by Mail Land of Enchantment Ballot

Submit your picks for the Land of Enchantment book awards by sending back this ballot or calling your votes in at 1.800.395.9144 option 1. Voting begins in April.

Name/Patron ID:





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Your participation in the survey is essential in demonstrating the importance of the Books by Mail program and will provide insight into how the program positively affects the lives of patrons, highlight the program's role in promoting literacy and lifelong learning, enable it to advocate for continued support, and ensure that it continues to serve as a valuable resource statewide. Please fill out both sides of the survey.

1. How do you qualify for Books by Mail? (Check all that apply)
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2. How did you hear about Books by Mail? (Check All that Apply)
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Devices:
6. Which online service or mobile app from the New Mexico State Library do you use? (Check all that apply.) Hoopla The New York Times NM Reads El Portal The Palace Project None at all
7. How do you prefer to receive the Books by Mail catalog? Mail e-mail online
9. Please rate the overall quality of the books the program has available with 5 being most satisfactory and 1 being the lowest.

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10. Please provide examples of books or genres you'd like to see more of.

11. Check all that apply. What other materials would you like Books by Mail to have available for check out? Audiobooks Magazines Other: DVDs Board Games
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13. What challenges would you face in accessing library materials and how would your reading habits be affected without Books by mail?
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Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey and helping Books by Mail improve!

Please mail back the completed survey. You may also call in your responses or fill out the online survey on the Books by Mail website at nmstatelibrary.org/BBM



By Mark Bittman (New York Times Cooking)

"It's a novel and wonderful antidote to sorry-looking lettuce."

Yield: 4 servings

Time: 10 minutes

Rating: 5 stars



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Ingredients

- 2 Tangerines or Blood Oranges
- 1 Pink Grapefruit
- 1 Navel Orange
- Salt
- ½ small red onion or 1 shallot, chopped

- 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 tablespoon sherry vinegar
- Half teaspoon honey
- Lime or lemon juice to taste
- ¼ teaspoon freshly chopped tarragon or a pinch dried

Preparation:

- 1. Peel the citrus, removing as much pith as possible and slice into wheels. Remove any pits, layer fruit on a serving dish, sprinkle with salt and garnish with chopped onion.
- 2. Whisk together olive oil, vinegar, honey, lime juice, and tarragon until well combined; taste, adjust seasoning as needed and drizzle over salad.



Librarian's tip/substitution: I peeled and separated the citrus into wedges, used basil instead of tarragon, and used pickled red onions instead of fresh red onions.

The New Hork Times

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The New Hork Times

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2023 Patron Notes and Praises



These are a few of the notes that I have received from patrons throughout the year. I appreciate all of the kindness that has been shown towards me and sincerely appreciate every note of gratitude sent to me. Thank you all so much! -Berdina

"I'm so thrilled that you offer resources that keep me reading even when I'm stuck at home!" - Pie Town Patron

> "Thanks! Really appreciate my orders!" -Cubero Patron

"You have done a fantastic job, cataloging each group and gives us a good idea of what we want or don't want to read, and its contents. The art work also is very pleasing. Thank you."

-Fence Lake Patron

"Thank you for this wonderful program and the great service!"
-Deming patron

Thank you for all you do. You are truly a blessing.
-Mora Patron

"On behalf of the residents of Good Samaritan Society, Socorro, New Mexico, I would like to thank you for providing such a wonderful opportunity through your Books by Mail program through the New Mexico State Library. The Books By Mail program has been an absolute blessing. As residents in long-term care, it is very difficult, even impossible, for some of us to visit the library. Through the Books by Mail program, residents can receive and enjoy as many books as they like. This has become one of the favored activities as residents discuss their books with each other, make recommendations, and watch the mail for the canvas bags containing their next delivery. Residents even started a book club to share favorite titles. There is no way we could provide this type of service, especially in such a rural setting, without this program. Thank you!"

"Thank you so much for making the entire process easy for me! I've missed books so much and wish I knew about this program sooner. It has been a life-saver!"

-Pie Town Patron

"You are so good to us! We're very grateful!" -Socorro Patrons "Thank you! I love the book guides and your fast response to my book orders and help requests. Thanks again!" -Watrous patron

"Thank you for your work at Books by Mail!" -Bard patron

"Thank you for all you do for others! ♥" -Eagle Nest Patron "Thank you so much for providing this service.

Books are my salvation!"

-Alamogordo patron

"You did a wonderful job with the catalogs! They're so easy to read and the books sound wonderful!" -Quemado Patron

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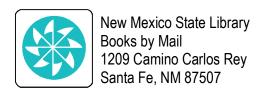
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