

Palm Beach County Library System Celebrates Haitian Heritage Month

The Palm Beach County Library System is proud to honor Haitian culture, history and language during Haitian Heritage Month in May, a month that includes the important holiday of Haitian Flag Day on May 18. This year, we invite you to enjoy a wide variety of online events accessible through Zoom. Register and join us for the live events, or view the recordings on our digital activities page at www.pbclibrary.org/HaitianHeritage2021.

Adult Activities

Sat, May 15, 10:30 am

Popular Crops of Haiti Presented by Garden Talks

Learn about popular dishes, popular dish recipes and tips on how to maintain a tropical garden. Limited free seed giveaway available at the Acreage Branch Library. (60 min.)

Thu, May 20, 1:30 pm

Book Discussion: "Everything Inside: Stories," by Edwidge Danticat

Join in a lively discussion of Haitian American author Edwidge Danticat's acclaimed short story collection. Print, audio and electronic copies of the book are available. (60 min.)

Thu, May 27, 2:00 pm

Celebrate Haitian Heritage Month: Virtual Tour of the Haitian American Museum of Chicago

The Haitian American Museum of Chicago (HAMOC) is the realization of a dream by its co-founder, Elsie Hernandez. Since 2012 the museum has hosted a wide array of programs and exhibits showcasing Haiti's rich culture and art as well as its complex history. Virtual tour with a Q&A session to follow. (60 min.)

Children & Teen Activities

Fri, May 07, 11:15 am

Meet the Author: M.J. Fievre

Join us for an interactive conversation with long-time educator and author M.J. Fievre. Register early for a chance to win a free copy of her book, "Empowered Black Girls: Joyful Affirmations and Words of Resilience." Sponsored by the Florida Center for the Book. Ages 12 & up. (90 min)

Sun, May 23, 11:00 am

Book Discussion - Teen Volunteer Hours!

Meet Alaine Beuparlant. She is 17, smart, witty and lives in Miami. After a school presentation goes array, she goes on a journey and discovers the beauty of her Haitian heritage. Read this YA book and be prepared to discuss it at our teen book club! Earn volunteer hours for reading this enthralling story. Materials needed: a copy of the book, "Dear Haiti, Love Alaine," by Maika and Maritza Moulite (available in print, e-book and audiobook), any notes that you wish to share, pen/pencil and paper. Ages 12-17. (60 min.)

Fri, May 28, 1:00 pm

Krik? Krak!: Tales & Tune From Haiti

In Haitian culture, tales have been passed down from generation to generation. Tales that are meant to teach, frighten and entertain. Join us for an afternoon of storytelling and music! Ages 8-12. (45 min)