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### **Overbooked - We want to hear from you!**

**The ER Team is gearing up for its summer Overbooked event! But first, we'd love to hear about your preferences for future meetups so we can plan accordingly.**

For those of you who don't participate in the Facebook group (or missed the mid-May poll asking for feedback), or would rather share your opinion privately with our team, **please feel free to send us an email with**

your thoughts on the below topics.

Reach the ER team at [extremereader@tacomalibrary.org](mailto:extremereader@tacomalibrary.org)

We look forward to receiving your answers to these questions:

- **Do you want to continue meeting virtually?**
- **Are you ready for and excited to get together in person again?**
- **Would a combo of both options work for you?**



**\*Keep in mind that TPL may decide to return exclusively to virtual programming, depending on COVID-19 case numbers**

## **2021 Reward Pickup Reminder**

**Rewards for the 2021 Extreme Reader challenge are available for pickup through Saturday, June 25!**

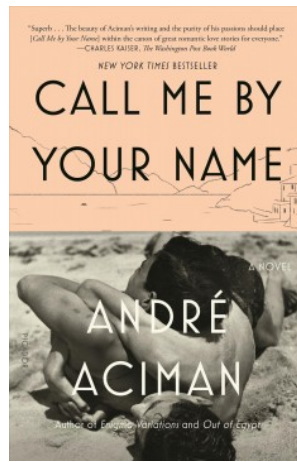


Any rewards that have not been retrieved by June 25 will be sent back to Extreme Reader HQ and patrons will need to contact our team at [extremereader@tacomalibrary.org](mailto:extremereader@tacomalibrary.org) to arrange pickup.

## Celebrate Tacoma Pride!



Tacoma Pride Month takes place in June/July  
Check out [this booklist](#) highlighting LGBTQIA+  
stories and authors!

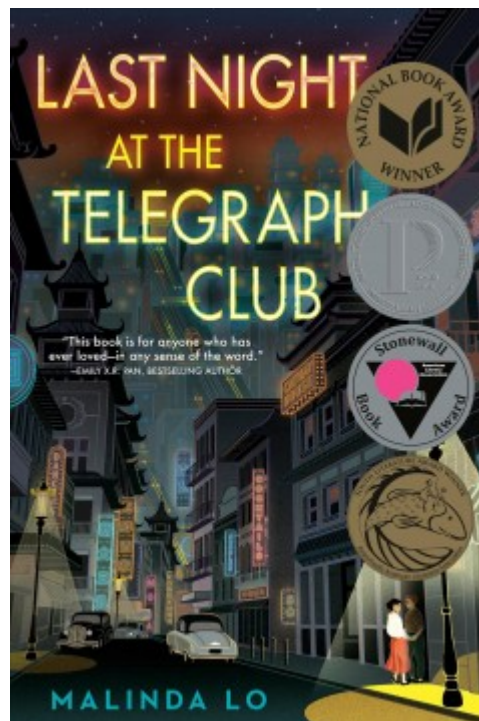


## Book Discussion with Tacoma LGBTQ Book Club

Join Tacoma Public Library and the Tacoma LGBTQ Book Club in discussing [Last Night at the Telegraph Club](#) by Malinda Lo.

This drop-in program at the Moore Branch Library goes from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm on Saturday, July 16, 2022.

More details can be found [here](#)!



# Category Questions & Answers

**Not quite sure what a category is asking for?**

**Review category questions and answers for this year's challenge for helpful guidance for helpful guidance from TPL staff:**

**Also, be sure to visit the [Official 2022 Category Definitions](#) on the Extreme Reader webpage for more info.**



**Several questions have been posed over a single category so this FAQ will be focused on that specifically:**

**#40 - A book with a title structure of "The \_\_\_\_'s \_\_\_\_"**

- **QUESTION 1: Can a plural possessive be used for this category, such as in *The Chilbury Ladies' Choir*?**
  - Answer: Absolutely! As long as the structure is similar (starts with *The*, followed by a possessive and at least one other word) the noun can be singular or plural.
- **QUESTION 2: Does the title have to include *The* or are proper nouns acceptable, such as in *Isaac's Storm*?**
  - Answer: The intent of this category is to follow the structure as displayed so the title would need to include *The* at the beginning to follow that.
- **QUESTION 3: Can the word *The* be swapped out for a different article in this category, such as in *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States*?**
  - Answer: The category prompt is specifically asking for the use of *The* to start the book title.
- **QUESTION 4: Will only 3 word titles work to fulfill this category or can they have additional trailing words at the end, such as in**

### ***The Mermaid's Voice Returns In This One?***

- Answer: As long as there are at least three words in the title and it follows the structure of *The \_\_\_\_\_'s(s')* to start the title, additional words are fine at the end!

The [official booklist](#) for this category offers a plethora of titles to choose from, offering many examples for what types of titles will work to fulfill the category requirements.

## **Summer Reading Challenge 2022**

A great way to double up on reading challenges (and earn more prizes) is to sign up for our Summer Reading Challenge!

The fun starts on Saturday, June 4 and runs through Saturday, Aug. 13!



This year's theme is "Oceans of Possibilities" and the [SRC webpage](#) will connect you to fun, themed booklists and all of the events and programs in store for a fun-filled summer full of...you guessed it: possibilities!

## **March Madness at Moore Branch**

Moore Branch Library created an interactive March Madness display to promote the Extreme Reader challenge this year!

Visitors of the branch were able to vote for favorites each week as titles went head to head.

Reader's Choice was [\*\*\*Kindred by Octavia E. Butler\*\*\*](#)

Congrats to Risa Hess (also an Extreme Reader!)

and kudos to ER Team member Gabi, who hand-crafted an especially cute ER 2022 Crocodile for the giveaway!

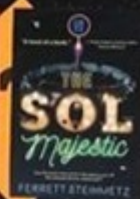
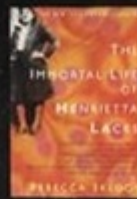
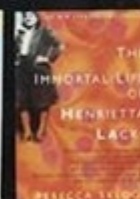
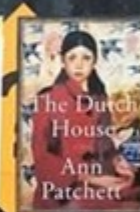



# MARCH MADNESS

## EXTREME READER



The Brief  
Wonderous  
Life of  
Oscar Wao  
Junot Díaz



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## Connect & Contact



Have a question about the challenge or a category? Reach out to the ER team at: [extremereader@tacomalibrary.org](mailto:extremereader@tacomalibrary.org)



Join fellow participants in the TPL Extreme Reader 2022 Facebook group for book recommendations, fun conversation, and more!



Check out the [Extreme Reader web page](#) for all program details!

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