



Hello , **welcome to your December update!**

The holiday season is here and although it may seem frazzling for many, the Palm Harbor Library hopes to bring a sliver of hope and respite to this hectic month. Yes, there is a lot to do, but there is also fun, family, friends, and of course, many wonderful activities we want to share with you.

What's New at the Palm Harbor Library?



Thursday, December 10th is **Santa Day** at the library! Santa will be

making a special stop and giving out holiday treat bags from **4 pm to 6 pm**. Stay tuned for more information!

He will also be sneaking around the library with special goodies, visiting the bookstore, the fish, the Children's Department and more. Make sure to follow us on [Facebook](#) to see him in action!

Interested in our Writing Program?



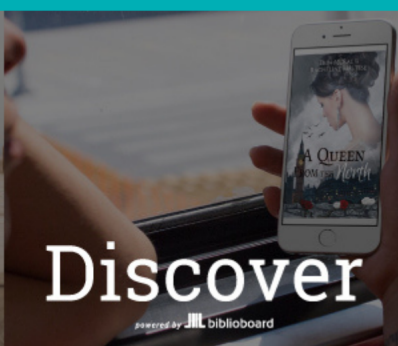
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MADELINE OLIVERI
WRITING PROGRAM

The Madeline Oliveri Writing Program is launching in early 2021. If you are interested in learning more about this program, please sign up for our **Writers List** [HERE](#).

This program will provide comprehensive support for everyone in the local community wanting to learn about writing, receive critiquing and feedback, publish their manuscript in library collections and more.



Want to write a memoir, novel, or poetry collection and make it e-book and print-ready?

Interested in submitting your book for publication and discovering other local authors?



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The Palm Harbor Library has officially partnered with **Biblioboard**, a platform that allows participants to create, share, and discover books. Through this partnership, the **Madeline Oliveri Program** will foster writers and help them get their book into **online library collections across the state**.

Tools for participating library members will include the use of **Custom Submission Pages (CSPs)** to invite writers to prepare and share their works for our library's **Community Collections**.

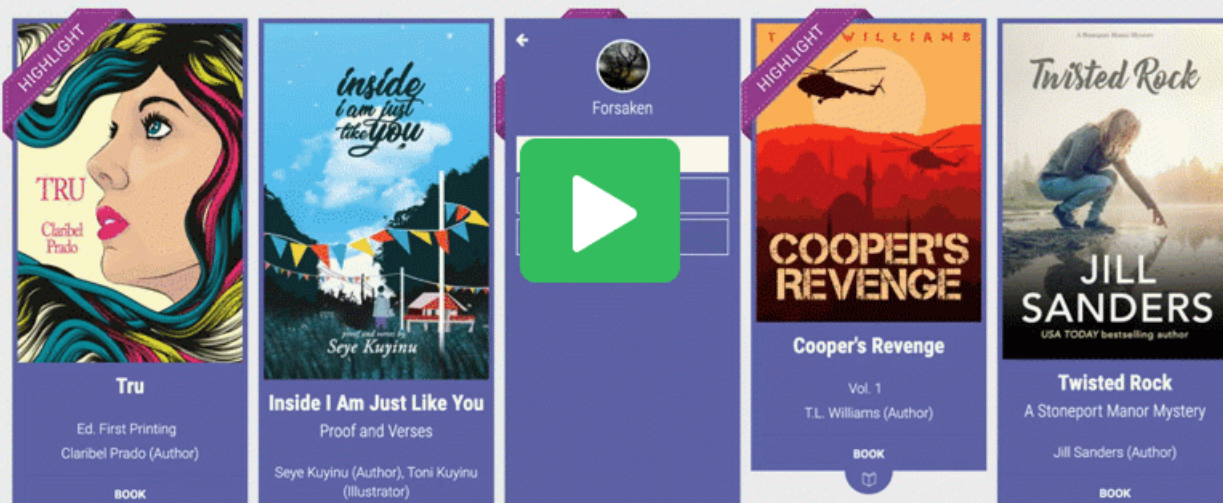
Writers will also have the opportunity to share their e-books through **BiblioBoard's Indie Author Project** to gain new readership and exposure through the library.

Library members who can be authenticated by geolocation have instant access to all of our BiblioBoard content in unlimited, simultaneous use.

To start using Biblioboard now click [HERE](#).

Here's a quick video tour of Biblioboard. For more information please contact our **Marketing Director Tamara** at tamara@phlib.org.

Indie Florida: Discover Books From Local Authors



Have you visited our new art exhibit?



On November 30th we had an Open House for **SPACEcraft**, a Pinellas County traveling art exhibit that engages the community with themes such as Read and Grow and Make and Play. If you haven't had a chance

to visit this exhibit, there's still time. SPACEcraft will be in our parking lot for the next few weeks, **with in-person activities on Mondays from 4-6pm and Saturdays 10am-12pm.** We look forward to seeing you there!

Giving Tree



Help us support the **Suncoast Animal League!** We are asking patrons to pick up a tag from the Giving Tree. All donated items need to be turned in to the library by **December 20, 2020.** Please consider participating so that we may give rescued animals a little more love and comfort this holiday season.

The BEE Project



Even during a good year, many factors, including unrealistic expectations, financial pressures, and excessive commitments can cause stress and anxiety during the holidays. Hopefully our bees will at least give you a smile. Can you find them all throughout our library from November to January?

If you began your hunt in November, you will have plenty of time to search the library for our **28 bees**, but even if you begin in January you can find them all!

Come in and ask about our Bee Project to get started.

Have fun! You may win a free book!

Jolly Crafts



Nov. 30 - Food Fun
Dec. 7 - Crafts from the Past
Dec. 14 - Holidays Craze
Dec. 21 - A Very Fandom Christmas
Dec. 28 - Happy New Year

Pick up your child's Take and Make craft and have fun creating something festive!

PhiLs Book Club Meeting

PHIL'S BOOKCLUB MEETING

MONDAY,
DECEMBER 14TH

THE MAN IN
THE HIGH CASTLE

BY PHILIP K. DICK



PhiLs Book Club will meet on zoom December 14th at 11 AM EST. Pick up your copy from the library and join us on Zoom by clicking [here](#).

**WE WILL BE
CLOSED
DEC. 24TH
AND 25TH**



Did you know?



Adaptive *Toys*



The Palm Harbor Library has a collection of special needs toys and adaptive devices for individuals of all ages with disabilities or challenges. View our collection [here](#) and visit the Children's Room to check out up to three toys and a switch at one time.

Special thanks to **Dr. Maggie Davis Pediatric Dentist** for raising funds for new toys; if you would like to support this collection, please email marisa@phlib.org.

Get to Know Us!

December's Staff Spotlight

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

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ASSISTANT SYSTEM ADMINISTRATOR SINCE
OCTOBER 2020

FAVORITE BOOK:
THE HOBBIT

HOBBIES:
BIKE RIDING, BAKING, AND
TABLETOP GAMES



Looking at 2021

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S
DESK

*"I can't wait
for 2021!"*



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"I can't wait for 2021!"

Director's Column

"Well, 2020 has been a tough year. I mean, it even killed James Bond! In January, I never thought face masks would become a fashion statement, Alex would be in Jeopardy heaven (my money is on Ken Jennings to replace him), we would have bubble basketball, I'd be Zooming...and you know all the rest.

I'm exhausted!

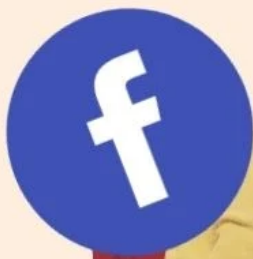
So perhaps like many of you, I just want to turn that page and get on with '21. Except for the holidays, there's not much hope left for '20.

*So what will 2021 bring?..." **KEEP READING [HERE](#).***

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