



# Friends & Foundation *of the* Rochester Public Library

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## Winter 2022

Visit [ffrpl.org](http://ffrpl.org) for more information, and to register for **Tuesday Topics**.

Call for entries! Deadline for our **Sokol High School Literary Awards** contest: **January 31**. \$1,500 in cash prizes! Three categories: Poetry, Prose and Performance. Monroe County students in grades 9 – 12 (including Home Schoolers) are invited to participate.



In February, in recognition of Library Lovers' Month, Black History Month, and the World Day of Social Justice, we are presenting three **Tuesday Topics** on the **Rochester Public Library's critical role in fostering Children's Literacy, Jobs and the Economy, and Equity and Justice**.

### **February 8, 12pm-1pm**

**via ZOOM (register @ ffrpl.org)**

**Children's Literacy:** Learn how the Library is helping to prepare children for kindergarten with the data driven *Raising a Reader* family literacy program and how RPL is educating partnering organizations on the *Talking is Teaching* initiative.

**Presenter:** Tonia Burton, Children's Services Consultant, Monroe County Library System; recipient of the 2021 Jacque Cady Award for Advocacy for Children from Roc the Future.

### **February 15, 12pm-1pm**

**via ZOOM (register @ ffrpl.org)**

**Jobs and the Economy:** Learn how Central Library's Business Insight Center (BIC) helps entrepreneurs and businesses, providing free market research and intellectual property information via databases and resources that would otherwise be prohibitively expensive.

**Presenter:** Jennifer Byrnes, MLS, MPH, Director, Business Insight Center and the Carlson Center for Intellectual Property at Central Library.

### **February 22, 12pm-1pm**

**via ZOOM (register @ ffrpl.org)**

**Repairing the Historical Record through Community Collaboration:** Learn how the Library helps to foster Equity and Justice in our society with diverse cultural community representation in programs and services, including Central's new Archive of Black History and Culture.

**Presenter:** Christine L. Ridarsky, City Historian & Historical Services Consultant, Rochester Public Library. Christine will be joined by community partners.



**Do your holiday shopping online, while supporting the Rochester Public Library!** Shop FFRPL's huge online book selection 24-7 at AbeBooks, Alibris, Biblio and Amazon this holiday Season. Links are posted on our web site. We have more than 9,500 quality used books in our inventory in all genres. Proceeds benefit RPL.

FFRPL is proud to help present and promote Central Library's new exhibit, **Punjab – Land of Five Rivers: A Rich Cultural Heritage Revealed**, a journey of savory cuisine, colorful clothing, energetic music and dance, and vibrant festivals. The exhibit is organized by the India Heritage Museum located at the Vinod and Vinay Luthra India Heritage Center in Macedon and will be on view in the Anthony Mascioli Gallery (1st floor, Rundel Memorial Building) **December 1, 2021 through March 5, 2022**.

