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### Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and Ensemble Music Society of Indianapolis partner for State Library exhibit



The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and Ensemble Music Society of Indianapolis have partnered to present a joint exhibit at the Indiana State Library. "Over Eight Decades of Classical Music, featuring Women of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and The Ensemble Music Society in Images and Words" will be on display until June 30.

"Women of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra" documents the impact of women on the organization's nearly 100-year history. The pièce de résistance of the exhibit is the 1968 symphony gown, designed by famed American fashion designer Norman Norell and worn by the women of the orchestra between 1969 and 1979. The gown inspired the exhibit theme. Centered around the dress and its symbolic importance to the symphony's history, the remainder of the exhibit features female musicians, composers, staff and more from each decade of the orchestra's history.

The Ensemble Music Society was formed in the winter of 1944 by a nucleus of civic-minded music

### Upcoming workshops and important dates

[Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: May 3, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Where: Floyd County Library

[What's Up Wednesday: Employee Wellness Incentive: Corrective to Inclusive](#)

When: May 8, 10-11 a.m.  
Where: Webinar

[The Game Master Librarian, Part One: How You and Your Library Can Be a Portal for TTRPG Learning Experiences](#)

When: May 8, 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
Where: Webinar

[Indiana State Library Lunch and Learn Series - Indiana State Library Digital Collections](#)

When: May 9, 12-1 p.m.  
Where: Indiana State Library

[Getting Started with Girls Who Code](#)

When: May 9, 2-3 p.m.  
Where: Webinar

[2024 Government Information Day](#)

When: May 17, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Where: Indiana State Library

[Webmaster Roundtable](#)

When: May 28, 2-3 p.m.  
Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday: Grace in the Workplace](#)

When: May 29, 10-11 a.m.  
Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday: Moving Beyond Avoidance: Conflict Resolution for Beginners](#)

When: June 12, 10-11 a.m.  
Where: Webinar

[The Walk and Talk Webinar: Touring the Indiana State Library](#)

When: June 26, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.  
Where: Webinar

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### Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

[Executive Assistant](#)  
Jeffersonville Township Public Library

[Collection and Acquisitions Assistant \(part-time\)](#)  
Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library

[Library Assistant \(part-time\)](#)  
Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library

[Knowledge Lab Manager](#)  
Purdue University Libraries and School of Information Studies

Those who would like their Indiana library job posting to be listed in the Wednesday Word must submit the position and its description to the Indiana State Library. Click [here](#) for submission guidelines and to submit.

### In the news



[ACPL celebrates Earth Day](#)  
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[ACPL to celebrate Star Wars Day and Free Comic Book Day on May 4th](#)  
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[Hamilton East Public Library's Ignite Studio to hold first Make-Off](#)  
Hamilton East Public Library

[Teddy Bear Camp introduces kids to historic sites](#)  
Hancock County Public Library and Mooresville Public Library

[Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Public Library opens new branch in Whitestown](#)  
Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Public Library

[Fort Ben library creates a space with special attention to people with autism](#)  
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[Indianapolis Public Library board member Stephen Lane resigns](#)  
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[The Indianapolis Public Library announces new manager for the Center for Black Literature and Culture](#)  
Indianapolis Public Library

[Authors Colleen Coble, Denise Hunter to visit locally](#)  
Middlebury Public Library

[North Webster Community Public Library welcomes new staff members](#)  
North Webster Community Public Library

[Paul Laurence Dunbar Library at Oaks Academy pays homage to Black history](#)  
Paul Laurence Dunbar Library at Oaks Academy

[Warsaw Community Public Library's Seed Library blooms](#)  
Warsaw Community Public Library

[Westfield Washington Public Library closes as staff prepares for move to new building](#)  
Westfield Washington Public Library

lovers who met in the Herron Art Museum on 16th Street, which later became the Indianapolis Museum of Art. Guided by Leonard Strauss who with Ferdinand Schaefer had worked to establish the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, they decided to officially form a chamber music society to bring a regular season of chamber music concerts to Indianapolis. "The Ensemble Music Society in Images and Words" highlights the history of the storied Indianapolis institution.

The Indiana State Library is located at 315 W. Ohio St. in downtown Indianapolis. "Over Eight Decades of Classical Music, featuring Women of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and The Ensemble Music Society in Images and Words" is on display in the Exhibit Hall on the first floor of the library during the library's regular [operating hours](#).

### Boat motors and model boats on display at the North Webster Community Library



The North Webster Community Library has announced the loan of model boats and antique boat motors from local residents Jerry and Nancy Neibert.

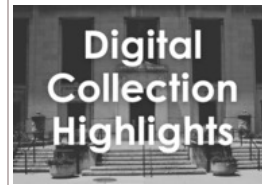
Jerry, a skilled woodworker, handcrafts each model boat from scratch, showcasing his expertise and passion for maritime history. The Neiberts have generously contributed their collection to the library, which includes intricately detailed model boats and three antique boat motors. These items offer a unique insight into marine craftsmanship as well as local boating history.

Jerry will also be hosting a presentation at the library in June to provide insight into model boat crafting. Further information will be announced soon on the library's website event calendar. The calendar can be found [here](#).

The North Webster Community Library is inviting the public to come explore and enjoy this special exhibit at the library. The library is located at 110 E. North St. in North Webster.

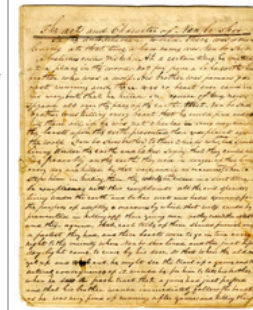
The boats and boat motors are currently on display at the library during normal operating hours. Click [here](#) to view the library's regular hours of operation.

[Material Challenges: ACPL's Journey of Training Staff](#)  
When: July 10, 10-11 a.m.  
Where: Webinar



Welcome to Digital Collection Highlights. Every other week, librarians at the Indiana State Library share images from the library's ever-growing digital collections. Visit the [Digital Collections](#) page to view the latest additions.

### Nanabozho



The character of Nanabozho - also known or spelled as Nanabush, Nanaboozhoo or Nan Bo Shoo - is a common spirit which features prominently in the storytelling traditions of the Anishinaabe and Neshnabék. A trickster figure and cultural hero, Nanabozho is often a shape-changer who can turn into animals as well as people. This role of trickster is often used to highlight the issues that Native American people have faced throughout their history. It's also a common way that useful information and life lessons were conveyed to the youth.

Though many different stories surrounding Nanabozho exist, a particularly interesting one, "The Acts and Character of Nan Bo Shoo," deals with a version of the antediluvian creation myth. The title of this manuscript - and the way that Nanabozho's name is misconstrued throughout its entirety as "Nan bo shoo" - is an incorrect transliteration from the author who was taking down the story, Col. Abel C. Pepper. The issue of transliteration mistakes is common throughout many works done by non-native speakers when trying to gather stories. Pepper himself is notorious as the superintendent of the program which saw the removal of most of the Native Americans from Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin, at the behest of Andrew Jackson.

The complete version of this story of Nanabozho is available [here](#), in

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Please contact [Anna Jackson](#) of the North Webster Community Library with any questions about the exhibit.

**'Barns & Blooms' coming to Frankfort Library**



The Frankfort Community Public Library has announced the return of "Barns & Blooms" and would like to extend an invitation for the public to attend.

The exhibition will be on view from May 10 through May 30. Paintings and photos of barns, flowers and nature by various Indiana artists will be on display and for sale, along with historical details provided by the Indiana Barn Foundation. "Old barns form an important part of the rural American landscape and represent a link to our agricultural heritage," as stated by the Indiana Barn Foundation.

The exhibition opening and special programming are scheduled for May 10, coinciding with the Friends of the Frankfort Public Library's Annual Meeting. All programs are free of charge and open to the public.

In addition to the annual meeting, May 10 activities include "Garden Journal Workshop" with Grace Gouveia; a farmer's market; story time, featuring Hoosier Storytellers and the Red Barn Summer Theatre; and a presentation by the Indiana Barn Foundation and Indiana Landmarks. Click [here](#) to view times and descriptions of each activity.

Additional May activities include the Old Gray Barn hosting a group tour of their event barn on May 19, and featured artist, Gwen Gutwein, discussing her Heritage Barns of Indiana Project on May 30.

This program has been made possible through a Historic Preservation Education Grant from Indiana Landmarks, Indiana Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

the Indiana State Library's digital collections. The physical copy of So979, "The Acts and Character of Nan Bo Shoo," is housed within the vault of the Indiana State Library's Rare Books and Manuscripts Division.

**Lincoln expert to present at Allen County Public Library this weekend**



This Saturday, May 4 at 2 p.m., the Allen County Public Library and the Rolland Center for Lincoln Research will host Daniel Weinberg, one of the nation's top experts in Lincolniana and the proprietor of the Abraham Lincoln Bookshop in Chicago.

The free hybrid program, "Lincoln at the Library: Artifacts Tell Their Stories," will take place virtually via Zoom and at the main library in the Genealogy Center's Discovery Center.

Weinberg will discuss the importance of Lincoln artifacts and highlight some remarkable items from both his bookshop and the Lincoln Financial Foundation Collection at the Allen County Public Library, including the Lincoln family photo album and a book that was owned and signed by Lincoln. Those viewing the program at the main library will be treated to a special tour of the Rolland Center after the presentation.

Registration is required for the program. Those who plan to attend virtually can click [here](#) to register. Those who plan to attend in person should email the [Rolland Center](#), with Lincoln Registration as the subject line. In the email, please include the number of people who plan to attend. The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Allen County Library.

The library is located at 900 Library Plaza in Fort Wayne.

Please contact the [Rolland Center](#) with any questions about "Lincoln at the Library: Artifacts Tell Their Stories."

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