February's Books Plus: Their Eyes Were Watching God

As cold winter winds swirl around us, join us at the library on Feb. 6th where we'll travel to sunny Florida to explore Zora Neale Hurston's evocative world. Alice Walker remarked that "no book was more important to her" than *Their Eyes Were Watching God*. As always we'll offer hot drinks, Amal's delicious cake, and an outlet for your stimulating conversation. Hope to see you here.

For more information on this and future programs, please see below:

Books Plus meets the first Sunday of each month. All are welcome. Join the discussion or simply come to listen. No registration necessary. Drop in.

2 p.m., First Sundays, Program Room 2B, Second Floor

FEB. 6--*Their Eyes Were Watching God* [1] by Zora Neale Hurston
Discussion Leader: Sarah Bowman

"This is Zora Hurston's third novel, again about her own people--and it is beautiful. It is about Negroes, and a good deal of it is written in dialect, but really it is about everyone, or least everyone who isn't so civilized that he has lost the capacity for glory. Indeed, from the first to last this is a well nigh perfect story--a little sententious at the start, but the rest is simple and beautiful and shining with humor."

--New York Times Book Review (September, 1937)

MARCH 6--*Let the Great World Spin* [2] by Colm McCann - 2011 One Book One Bloomington [3] Community Read!
Discussion Leader: Wendy Rubin

?In McCann?s wise and elegiac novel of origins and consequences, each of his finely drawn, unexpectedly connected characters balances above an abyss, evincing great courage with every step.?--Booklist

APRIL 3--Framing the Silence: The Myriad Forms of Poetry
Discussion Leader: Dory Lynch
?Poetry is thoughts that breathe, and words that burn.? ~Thomas Gray

It?s National Poetry Month. We?ll celebrate poetry in various forms including haiku, villanelles, sonnets, and sestinas. Please bring a poem or two that you really enjoy. Reading poetry out loud is the best way to experience poetry.

MAY 1--The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn [4] by Mark Twain
Discussion Leader: Elizabeth Gray

?All modern literature comes from one book by Mark Twain called Huckleberry Finn. It is the best book we?ve had.? ~Ernest Hemingway
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