SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Hawaii State Library for the Blind and Print Disabled is encouraging all registered patrons to participate in the annual Summer Reading Program. This year’s theme is “Tales and Tails.” If you enjoy reading audiobooks, large print or braille, register for the reading program by going to www.librarieshawaii.beanstack.org or by calling 733-8444. Read as much as you like and record the time spent reading. Get fun prizes just for reading! The more you read, the more entries you can submit to win round trip tickets for four to anywhere Alaska Airlines flies! For more information, please call us at 733-8444.

OLIVIA: MY LIFE OF EXILE: SELECTED READINGS

Hawaii State LBPD will be hosting a live online Talk Story session about the book “Olivia: My Life of Exile in Kalaupapa,” on Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 1:00 PM. It is an autobiographical account of a girl from Kauai who contracts Hansen’s Disease and is sent to Molokai. The presentation will feature Olivia’s nephew, filmmaker Lorenzo Destefano and audiobook narrator Deanna Espinas who will read selected sections. Learn about Olivia’s story of bravery and perseverance. Please call 733-8444 to register.
HELP WITH VACCINATIONS

Need help getting a COVID-19 vaccination? Currently, everyone aged 12 and older is eligible. And vaccinations are free regardless of your health insurance status. There are many places on Oahu to get vaccinated: Longs Drugs, Walmart, Sam’s Club, Costco, Walgreens, Safeway, Times, Foodland, Kaiser Permanente, Queen’s Health System, Hawaii Pacific Health, and Castle Hospital. Or you can use the CDC Vaccine Finder by texting your ZIP code to 438829.

Need help registering for an appointment? If you are age 65 or older, call 2-1-1 to schedule an appointment over the phone and to access transportation services to and from your vaccine appointment.

WANTED: UNUSED PLAYERS AND CARTRIDGES

If you have a Digital Talking Book Player that is no longer being used, please send it back to the library so it can be used by another patron. It’s easy to return. Just place it in its original box and give it to your USPS mail carrier. Please contact us if you need a new box. If you have any old audiobook cartridges that you may have forgotten to return, please send those back to the library as well. Just slip them into the blue container and make sure the library’s address is visible. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the library at 733-8444.

ACCESS FOR PEOPLE WITH READING DISABILITIES

The National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled (NLS) recently made it easier for people with reading disabilities to enroll. The change allows reading specialists, educators, librarians and school psychologists to certify the
eligibility of applicants with reading disabilities like dyslexia. Previously, only doctors of medicine could certify this type of application, creating added difficulty for some applicants and barriers to access. NLS consulted with consumer groups and took the necessary steps to have Congress amend the eligibility language. For more information about eligibility for NLS services, go to www.loc.gov/nls/about/eligibility-for-nls-services.

NATIONAL LIBRARY SERVICE CELEBRATION

To celebrate its 90th anniversary, The National Library Service for the Blind (NLS) will be presenting special programs throughout the year. It started with a virtual concert earlier this year by acclaimed jazz pianist Matthew Whitaker which you can view on the Library of Congress’ YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/c/loc). The anniversary web page (www.loc.gov/nls/90th-anniversary) features a timeline of significant events in NLS’ history, interviews with patrons of all ages and historical documents. NLS is presenting these programs as a gesture of appreciation to library users nationwide.

NEWLY-ADDED HAWAII AUDIOBOOKS

Here is a list of classic titles Hawaii State LBPD has recently added to its Hawaii book collection. Remember, they are available on digital cartridges that can be played on your Digital Talking Book Player.

The Betrayal of Liliuokalani
by Helena Allen (HDB 01023)

Duke Kahanamoku: Hawaii’s Golden Boy
by Joseph Brennan (HDB 00255)

Kauai: Ancient Place Names and Their Stories
by Frederick B. Wichman (HDB 01292)

Out of This Struggle: The Filipino in Hawaii
by Luis V. Teodoro (HDB 00578)

Sachie Daughter of Hawaii
by Sumie Saiki (HDB 00957)

Six Months in the Sandwich Islands
by Isabella L. Bird (HDB 00962)

Sojourners and Settlers: Chinese Migrants in Hawaii
by Clarence E. Glick (HDB 00991)

Call us at 733-8444 to request an audiobook or to get the complete list of titles available.

NEWLY ADDED DVDs WITH AUDIO DESCRIPTION

Here is a list newly-added DVDs. These movies have an audio narration track that describes the action taking place on the screen.

Antebellum (DVD 00143)
A successful author finds herself trapped in a horrifying reality and must uncover the truth before it's too late. R.

Emma (DVD 00144)
In 1800s England, a well-meaning but selfish young woman meddles in the love lives of her friends. PG.
Kajillionaire (DVD 00147)
A woman's life is turned upside down when her criminal parents invite an outsider to join them on a major heist. R.

Love and Monsters (DVD 00148)
Seven years after he survived the monster apocalypse, Joel leaves his bunker to reunite with his ex. PG-13.

I Still Believe (DVD 00150)
The true-life story of Christian music star Jeremy Camp and his journey of love and loss. PG.

Call us at 733-8444 to request a DVD or the complete list of titles available.

UPCOMING HOLIDAYS
Hawaii State LBPD will be closed on the following holidays:

June 11, 2021 (Friday)       Kamehameha Day
July 5, 2021 (Monday)        Independence Day
Aug. 20, 2021 (Friday)       Statehood Day

This newsletter was produced by the staff of The Hawaii State Library for the Blind and Print Disabled. If you have any questions or comments, please contact our Managing Librarian. Email baron.baroza@librarieshawaii.org or call 733-8444.