

# HAWAII STATE LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PRINT DISABLED

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## WINTER 2021 NEWSLETTER

### DOWNLOADABLE AUDIO BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

Hawaii State Library for the Blind and Print Disabled has a service that allows you to download audio books and magazines (as well as items in eBraille) to your own personal device. It is called the Braille and Audio Reading Download service, or BARD. With BARD, you have access to more than 120,000 audiobooks and more than 20,000 braille titles. As a registered user, all you would need is an Internet connection and a computer or a mobile device like a smartphone or tablet to start downloading. We can help you set up your account. Call 808-733-8444.

### BRAILLE CALENDARS

Pocket braille calendars produced by the American Action Fund for Blind Children and Adults are an invaluable tool for people with visual disabilities. Unfortunately, Hawaii State LBPD can no longer send out these calendars; you must request them directly from AAF by calling 410-659-9315 or emailing [actionfund@actionfund.org](mailto:actionfund@actionfund.org). You can also fill out the request form at <https://www.actionfund.org/resources/braille-calendars>. Supplies

are limited.

## **COVID-19 AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

Some people with disabilities might be more likely to get infected with or have severe illness from COVID-19 because of underlying medical conditions, group living settings, or lack of access to resources.

The CDC has developed a list of the best actions to take to prevent illness and plan for the unexpected:

- In addition to wearing a mask and social distancing, ask your direct support provider if they are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 or if they have been in contact with someone who has COVID-19.
- Tell your direct service provider to wash their hands when they enter your home and before and after touching you, or when changing linens or doing laundry.
- Clean high-touch surfaces and objects like keyboards, wheelchairs, scooters, doorknobs, etc. regularly.
- Plan what you will do if you or your direct support provider gets sick. Create a contact list of family, friends, neighbors and local service agencies that can provide support.
- Have enough household items, medicine and groceries so that you will be comfortable staying home for a few weeks.

## **FOREIGN LANGUAGE BOOKS**

The Marrakesh Treaty, which was enacted into law in 2018, allows cross-border exchange of books in accessible formats and has allowed the National Library Service for the Blind to acquire more than 1,000 titles in languages like Arabic, French, Greek, Vietnamese and more. Interested in searching the collection? Go to the NLS online catalog at [nlscatalog.loc.gov](http://nlscatalog.loc.gov). Click the “Set Search Limits” button on the bottom right of the basic search page, then select the language and the medium (sound recording or braille). When finished, click the “Set Search Limits” button, then conduct a search for a title, author or subject of interest to you. You may also use the “search by language” function in BARD.

## **NEW NLS DIRECTOR SELECTED**

Former Vermont State Librarian Jason Broughton has been selected as the new Director of the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled (NLS), where he will oversee all NLS programs, including the expansion of online and digital delivery of services. Broughton was the first African American to serve as Vermont State Librarian, where he established a long-term vision for the State Library. Broughton also held numerous library roles in South Carolina and Georgia, where he used his training as an educator to focus on such issues as workforce development and public outreach engagement.

## **NEWLY-ADDED HAWAII AUDIOBOOKS**

These titles about Hawaii were recently added to the collection. They are available on digital cartridges that can be played on the Digital Talking Book Player.

### **Detective Jardine: Crimes in Honolulu**

by John Jardine (HDB 00393)

### **Folks You Meet in Longs**

by Lee Cataluna (HDB 01377)

### **Go For Broke 1943-1993: Legacy in Americanism**

442<sup>nd</sup> Regimental Combat Team (HDB 00972)

### **Lawrence M. Judd and Hawaii**

by Lawrence M. Judd (HDB 00085)

### **Olivia: My Life of Exile in Kalaupapa**

by Olivia Robello Breitha (HDB 00079)

### **Peace Diet**

by Dr. Terry Shintani (HDB 00060)

### **Six Months in the Sandwich Islands**

by Isabella L. Bird (HDB 00962)

### **Stolen Kingdom: An American Conspiracy**

by Rich Budnick (HDB 00912)

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

## **NEWLY ADDED DVDs WITH AUDIO DESCRIPTION**

These movies have an audio narration track that describes the action taking place on the screen.

**Captain Marvel (DVD 00157)**

Captain Marvel emerges when Earth is caught in the middle of a war between two alien races. PG-13.

**Promising Young Woman (DVD 00158)**

A young woman, traumatized by her past, seeks vengeance against those harmed her friend. R.

**Nobody (DVD 00161)**

A bystander who helps a harassed woman becomes the target of a vengeful drug lord. PG-13.

**Judas and the Black Messiah (DVD 00177)**

An FBI informant infiltrates the Illinois chapter of the Black Panther Party to gather intelligence on its chairman. R.

**Tom and Jerry: The Movie (DVD 00178)**

When Jerry takes refuge in a grand hotel, Tom is hired to drive him away before the day of a big wedding. PG.

**Luca (DVD 00179)**

An unlikely friendship grows between a human being and a sea creature disguised as a human. Animated. 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:

December 24, 2021 (Friday)      Christmas (observed)

December 31, 2021 (Friday)      New Year's (observed)

January 17, 2022 (Monday)      Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

February 21, 2022 (Monday)      Presidents 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 Manager by calling 733-8444 or emailing [baron.baroza@librarieshawaii.org](mailto:baron.baroza@librarieshawaii.org).