

History, Cinema, Books, and More

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Come to the Fair!



Scenes from the 2016 East Tennessee History Fair.

August 19. Downtown Knoxville is the place to be for a fun, family-friendly celebration of history. Most events are free and take place from 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

When you visit the fair, you can:

- Take a bus tour of historic homes.
- Observe craftsmen at work and create your own crafts.
- Navigate an East Tennessee Walking Timeline, where you can see actors representing history from settlement days to the Vietnam War.
- Listen to traditional music.
- Watch films at the Tennessee Theatre presented by the [Tennessee Archive of Moving Image and Sound](#) (TAMIS) at the Tennessee Theatre.
- Enjoy Davy Crockett's birthday cake.
- Have a dog-gone good time at the **History Hound Costume Contest**.
- Roll up your sleeves and head to Mast General Store for a checkers competition and prizes.
- Learn about area museums for future adventures.
- Meet authors and area artists.

While you're at the fair, pick up a good summer read or two at the [history-themed used book sale](#) sponsored by Friends. Our booth will be on Gay Street near the East Tennessee History Center.

Kanopy: Cinema at Your Fingertips



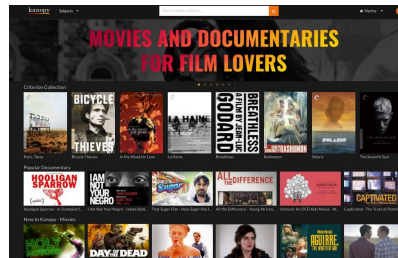
Introducing Kanopy

That Knox County Library card in your wallet just became more valuable. KCPL has added [Kanopy](#), a new streaming video service that is your free ticket to viewing more than 30,000 movies and documentaries on your computer, mobile device, or Roku.

Kanopy provides library patrons access to a unique collection of [hard-to-find films](#) of social and cultural value — independent films, foreign films, PBS and BBC documentaries, and the [Great Courses](#). The service offers patrons “high-quality videos with great reviews” according to Van Walker, head of the Sights and Sounds Department

Anything by local filmmaker Paul Harrill that are not available anywhere else.

Walker explains that first-time users must **create an account** at Kanopy, confirm an email address, and enter their library card information. They can then search for films in a variety of ways — by title, category, subject, key word, director, even performer — and watch up to five films a month, each of which may be viewed for three days. Library patrons have been able to access the new service for a month. In that time Kanopy has recorded more than 1,500 visits.



Left: Van Walker, head of LML's Sights and Sounds Department, looks at some of the films Kanopy makes available to KCPL patrons. Right: Kanopy's main screen.

What's Inside Kanopy

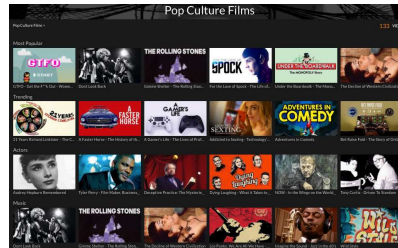
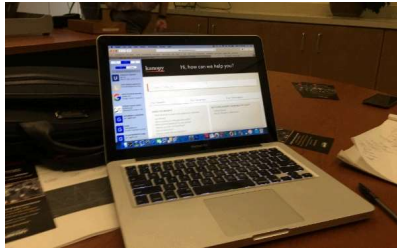
An exploration of Kanopy's **homepage** will excite the imagination of the cinema buff. Each entry includes a brief description of the film, a list of similar films, and viewers' comments. Patrons can add the film to their watchlist, share it, watch it, and even see a transcript. Here is a sample:

- **Criterion Collection** is a treasure chest of independent, classic, and foreign films. For example, there are 15 videos of the great Ingmar Bergman's films like *The Seventh Seal* and *Wild Strawberries*. De Sica's famous *Bicycle Thieves* and Akira Kurosawa's *Rashomon* are also included.
- **Popular Documentary:** *I Am Not Your Negro: James Baldwin and Race in America* has commanded a great deal of attention.
- **New to Kanopy — Movies:** *Day of the Dead* is the third film in the undead saga from writer/director George A. Romero, who died recently.
- **New to Kanopy — Documentaries:** *Age of Champions: The Senior Citizen Olympics* is an award-winning PBS film.
- **World Cinema:** In French, *The Bronte Sisters* (1979) examines the lives of Charlotte, Emily, and Anne.
- **Independent Films:** *End Game*, a political thriller set in South Africa in 1985, stars William Hurt and Chiwetel Ejiofor.
- **Trending Now:** In *Ida*, a sheltered novitiate nun in Poland in the 1960s learns a shocking secret about her past.
- **Films Starring Actors from *Game of Thrones*:** Stephen Dillane appears in *Storm*, a European political thriller in Bosnian,

courses taught by eminent professors on science, math, history, fine arts, music, religion, psychology, food and cooking, fitness, martial arts, photography, and more.

- **Romantic Comedy:** *Stealing Roses* stars John Heard, whose death was reported in July.

Other categories include *New York Times* Critics Picks, Audience Picks, Fun Films for Summer Vacation, Staff Picks, Immigrant Stories, and Filmmakers on Their Films.



Left: Online help is just a few keystrokes away. Right: Pop Culture is one of Kanopy's many categories.

How You Can Become a Kanopy User

Step by step, here's **how to sign up** for Kanopy.

1. Go to www.knoxlib.org.
2. Select **Explore the Collection**.
3. Scroll down to **E-media**.
4. Click on **Kanopy: streaming video**.
5. You will see two choices: Log In or Sign Up. Choose **Sign Up** and follow the prompts.
6. Once you have done so, you will receive an email verifying your information.
7. That frame will ask for your library card number and your PIN.
8. Then you're ready to add films to your watchlist or to select a film for watching.

Apps are available for Apple iOS devices, Android devices, and the Roku streaming player.

If you run into difficulty, try the [Online Help Center](#). Additional help is a phone call away to the Sights and Sounds Department at Lawson McGhee at 865-215-8714 or is available via email at sightsandsounds@knoxlib.org.

Volunteers Lead by Serving in Knox County Program

Lifelong readers love to read, and they understand the pleasure and the power that reading has brought to their lives. But children who are not reading on grade level as they enter fourth grade — the year

dropping out of school. But a local program is designed to give those students the individual attention they need to strengthen the reading skills that are essential to academic success.

Leaders for Readers

Leaders for Readers pairs volunteers with selected students from grades one, two, and three — the years when the main focus is on learning to read — in an effort to help those children become stronger readers. Introduced by the Knox County Mayor's office, Leaders for Readers is supported by Knox County Schools and operated by the **Great Schools Partnership**.

Volunteers who can devote one hour per week for the entire school year to Leaders for Readers may have a direct and significant effect on one of the 400 Knox County students who will be served by the program. If you would like to help one of Knox County's young readers this year, [sign up online](#) today.

Truth and Consequences Continues: Getting Down to the Truth

The Knox County Public Library is launching **Getting Down to the Truth**, a monthly conversation about fake news, filter bubbles, and big data with a focus on how to identify credible and not-so-credible sources.

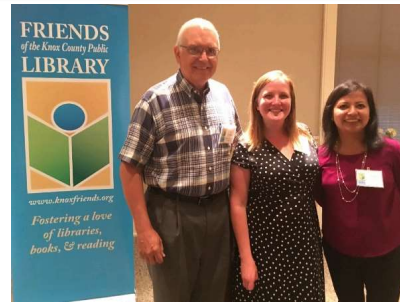


The series, which will continue the discussions in last month's Truth and Consequences Symposium, will begin with "Diagnosing Health Information" at 6:30 p.m. on **Tuesday, August 8**, at the East Tennessee History Center. Dr. Martha Buchanan, Director of the Knox County Health Department, will join librarians from KCPL and the Preston Medical Library to cast a diagnostic eye on online health information in America. The event is free and open to the public.

Additional follow-up sessions at the East Tennessee History Center include:

- "Mastering Education Information," September 12, 6:30 p.m.
- "Investigating Local News," October 10, 6:30 p.m.
- "Accounting for Wealth Inequality," November 15, noon.

The Truth and Consequences Symposium is made possible through a grant from the Jane L. Pettway Foundation and the Knox County Public Library Foundation.



At the **Annual Meeting** on July 17, Friends of KCPL gathered to review the past year and look to the future. Left: Officers for the coming year include Rusha Sams, president-elect; Claire Serrell, past president; Maggie Carini, president; Meryl Keegan, secretary; and LeAnn Luna, treasurer (not pictured). Right: Al Horn was elected to his first term as Director; Meryl Keegan, Anabel Lino, and Suzanne Lenhart (not pictured) were elected to a second term.

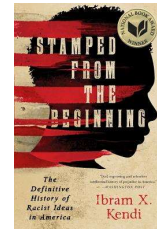
A Year With Friends, the FY 2017 Annual Report, can be downloaded [here](#) or viewed on our [website](#).

Upcoming Events for Book Lovers



Monday, August 14: **All Over the Page** will feature a discussion of Brit Bennett's *The Mothers* led by Karyn Storts-Brinks at 6:30 p.m. in the Lawson McGhee Library meeting room.

Wednesday, August 23: Dr. Victor Erik Ray, UT Department of Sociology, will lead the conversation about Ibram X. Kendi's *Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America* at **Books Sandwiched In** at noon at the East Tennessee History Center.



Save the Dates for These Author Events:

- **September 19:** Friends and fans will celebrate the launch of YA author Kerri Maniscalco's new novel, *Hunting Prince Dracula*, at 7 p.m. in the West High School auditorium.
- **October 5:** Denise Kiernan, author of *The Girls of Atomic City*, will return to Knoxville to discuss her new book, *The Lost Castle*, the story behind the magnificent Gilded Age mansion Biltmore House — the largest, grandest residence ever built in the United States. The event will be held at the East Tennessee History Center.

Kroger Community Rewards: If Everybody Did



In 2015, 16 pioneering households registered their **Kroger Plus Cards** and chose Friends as the recipient of their **Kroger Community Rewards** points. Their actions resulted in Kroger contributing \$150 to Friends in just three months.

Over the last year, nearly 60 households registered, and Friends earned almost \$2,000 through Kroger Community Rewards. Imagine what can happen if we continue to increase the number of Kroger-shopping households that support Friends every year!

If you've already registered your card, you'll receive an email from Kroger Community Rewards this month reminding you to renew your support. If you haven't registered your card yet, follow these easy steps to link your card to Friends:

- [Register your Kroger Plus Card online](#) — create an account; then enter your email, favorite store, and Kroger Plus Card number.
- At the bottom of your Account Summary, click Enroll under Community Rewards, and either enter our Kroger Non Profit number (65466) or search for Friends of the Knox County Public Library.

Three Things To Know About Mary Utopia Rothrock, Library Pioneer and Feminist

Last month, we shared [four things to know about the Friends @ Rothrock Used Book Shop](#), which is named for Mary Utopia (Topie) Rothrock. This month, we're sharing three things about Topie.

1. During Rothrock's tenure as the Knox County Public Library's chief librarian, her recognition of the need for **branch libraries** led to the establishment of the first one in Park City in 1925. Branches in Lonsdale, Burlington, North Knoxville, and Vestal were next.



materials can never take the place of books, of course. They should not be thought of as devices for building up the circulation of books. They are useful in themselves, but not for stimulating much more reading of library books. Neither should they be used merely to divert with sound and motion. Their function is purposeful communication. Wisely used they can enrich the library's book services by supplementing them." (Source: [WikiTree](#))

3. Because Rothrock was known as a champion of **women's rights**, according to the Southeastern Library Association's biography, "one Knoxvilleian said of her, she's 'a dangerous woman — you never know where she is gonna bust out next.'"

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About Friends of the Knox County Public Library: Friends is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to foster a love of libraries, books and reading in the Knox County area. The organization raises funds to sponsor community outreach programs, represent the interests of Knox County library patrons, and support a variety of services offered by the local library system that would otherwise not be available due to budget or staff restrictions.

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