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December 2023 Friends of the CCBC Newsletter

Snowflakes are flying, winter holidays are coming, and there's lots of great news from the CCBC! See below for up and coming news and events.

Thank you for supporting the Cooperative Children's Book Center through your membership in the Friends of the CCBC!

Upcoming at the CCBC

CCBC Shorts: ALA Award Winners

Wednesday, January 31 2024, 9:00 - 9:30 am: Online

Join CCBC librarians online for a session highlighting the 2024 Newbery, Caldecott, Printz, Coretta Scott King and other ALA youth book award winners!

CCBC Shorts are brief, timely tours through some of the newest books for children and teens. Each 30-40 minute online presentation features CCBC librarians highlighting new and recently published books. CCBC Shorts is sponsored by the South Central Library System.

[Check the CCBC website for an upcoming link to register to attend this session live.](#)

CCBC Shorts webinars are also [archived](#) and available for viewing after each episode is over.

CCBC Choices 2024 and Friends of the CCBC Annual Meeting

Saturday, March 9, 8:30 am

Save the date! The Friends of the CCBC will hold their Annual Meeting beginning at 8:30 am on Saturday, March 9 at the CCBC. After the Friends meeting, the CCBC librarians will present the 2024 CCBC Choices titles! More information will follow.

Make sure to check out the CCBC [calendar](#) in January for more CCBC events in late winter/spring!

CCBC in *Isthmus*



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CCBC staff left to right: Madeline Tyner, Merri Lindgren, Tessa Michaelson Schmidt and Megan Schliesman.

Madison's own *Isthmus* just published a long profile of the CCBC. Read it for an in-depth update on the recent work of the CCBC librarians: [The CCBC at UW-Madison supports diversity in children's literature.](#)

Book Sale

The Friends of the CCBC held another wildly successful book sale on December 1 and 2!

The money raised from Friends' book sales is critical to our mission to support the work of the CCBC. Many thanks to our book sale chair Teresa Voss and other dedicated volunteers!



Membership

Membership is the biggest source of revenue for the Friends—we couldn't do what we do for the CCBC without you!

If you haven't already, **we hope you'll renew your Friends Membership for 2024 online at ccbcfriends.org**

As we noted in our recent renewal letter, **beginning with the 2024 membership year, we will print and mail a paper copy of CCBC Choices to each individual member at the Supporting (\$50) level and above who joins or renews a membership by December 31 of the previous year.**

If you prefer to submit your payment by mail, please email president@ccbcfriends.org and request a printed form along with your current mailing address. The Friends have been providing support for CCBC programs and services for more than 45 years; your membership will help us continue to thrive!

Call for Volunteers!

The Friends of the CCBC is looking for Madison-area volunteers interested in finding out more about serving on our board of directors or helping with our book sale. This is a great way to meet other CCBC Friends who share your passion for children's and young adult literature! We are in particular need of a vice president/president elect and a co-chair for our book sale. Both of these positions are for two years and include training with the volunteers currently serving in these roles.

If you would like more information please email our current president Beth Redford at president@ccbcfriends.org. Thank you for your support!



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