



## Local Author Showcase

The Brighton District Library is fortunate to be approached by many local authors who would like to share their work with library patrons through presentations and signing events. The Brighton District Library is a passionate advocate for literacy and lifelong learning, and supports local authors in their efforts.

To serve both local authors and library patrons, The Brighton District Library offers twice yearly Local Author Showcase events. Each Showcase features up to 12 authors. Tables and table clothes will be provided for each author to display his/her books and promotional materials.

- Authors must bring their own books to sell and will be responsible for all sales (types of currency accepted, sales taxes, etc).
- Books must have first publication dates of 2017 or later.
- Authors who have had prior Brighton District Library presentation/signing events will not be eligible to participate in a Showcase for the same book.
- Brighton District Library will publicize each Showcase through other channels (posters, e-newsletters, email blasts, press releases and social media, or some subset of these).
- The Brighton District Library will provide tables, refreshments and library staff dedicated to the event.
- There will be no charge for the authors or for those attending.
- The Brighton District Library will accept a donated copy of your book, but does not guarantee it will be added to the collection. Please see page 4 for the collection development guidelines.

Participation in Local Author Showcase is by application only. Please complete and return the attached application (page 3) by the appropriate deadline (see page 2), care of:

Sarah Perry  
[sperry@brightonlibrary.info](mailto:sperry@brightonlibrary.info)  
Brighton District Library  
100 Library Drive  
Brighton, MI 48116  
Call Sarah at 810-229-6571 x230 with questions.



### Local Author Showcase Deadlines

2019 Showcase Date	Location	Deadline
Sunday, April 14, 2-4pm	100 Library Drive Brighton, MI 48116	March 14
Sunday, November 17, 2-4pm	100 Library Drive Brighton, MI 48116	October 17

### Writer's Workshop for Adults

The Brighton District Library works with Erma Bombeck Award winning author, Mike Ball, to deliver world-class assistance with writing, publishing, and marketing.

Workshops are scheduled the second Tuesday of each month. Please check our website [www.brightonlibrary.info](http://www.brightonlibrary.info) for upcoming events.



Please fill out the following information and email it to Sarah Perry at [sperry@brightonlibrary.info](mailto:sperry@brightonlibrary.info) by the due date (see page 2). Printed forms may be returned to Sarah Perry at the Brighton District Library, 100 Library Drive, Brighton, MI 48116. Questions? Email Sarah or call her at 810-229-6571 x230.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Book Title: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please email a jpg of the book cover and/or one of the author to [sperry@brightonlibrary.info](mailto:sperry@brightonlibrary.info))

Publish date: \_\_\_\_\_ (Must be 2017 to 2019)

Published by: \_\_\_\_\_

Book Format(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Hardcover \_\_\_\_\_ Paperback \_\_\_\_\_ eBook \_\_\_\_\_ Audiobook

Price you will charge at the local author showcase for your book: \_\_\_\_\_

Methods of payment accepted (check all that apply):

\_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card

Book Synopsis:

Brief Author Bio:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_



## Brighton District Library Collection Development Policy

### Donated Materials:

Any materials offered to the library as gifts shall be considered by using the selection criteria outlined in this policy. In some cases, titles are received or purchased with gift funds that could not have been acquired from library funds because of budget limitations. Gifts are subject to the following limitations: The donor completes and signs a gift form (a copy may be used as a receipt).

- The Library retains unconditional ownership of the gift
- The Library makes the final decision on disposition of the gift
- The Library reserves the right to decide conditions of display and access.

Gift materials not added to the collection cannot be returned to the donor and may be given to the Friends of the Library for inclusion in a book sale, donated to another library or discarded.

### Specific Selection Criteria:

#### Broad criteria for all fields include:

- Importance of the subject matter to the collection
- Interest and popularity
- Permanent or timely value
- Accurate information or authoritativeness
- Social significance
- Local, state or regional historical significance
- Clear presentation and readability
- Reputation, skill and purpose of the author
- Local significance of the author or of the subject
- Cost of materials and cost of processing
- Shelf space
- Quality of graphics, where applicable
- Availability
- Appropriateness and effectiveness of medium to content
- Literary merit and/or favorable reviews
- Suitability of physical format for library use
- Suitability of subject and style for intended audience

#### Specific criteria for works of non-fiction:

- Authority
- Comprehensiveness and depth of treatment in the collection as a whole
- Objectivity, balance and fairness
- Clarity and logic of presentation
- Quality of and/or existence of an index, appropriate references and bibliography

If the Library adds your book to its collection, it will remain on Library shelves (barring damage, loss, or theft) for a minimum of two years. After that time, donations will be subject to the same assessment process as the rest of the collection (wear and tear, number of checkouts, currency, etc.).