Tuesday October 8th 5 pm to 7 pm, Winchell Room, Manchester City Library 405 Pine Street- American Prison Writings Archive Project

Do you enjoy typing? Are you looking for a way to bond with other members of the Manchester community and increase access to marginalized voices? Then come to the Manchester City Library's Transcribe-athon! In an effort to increase access to marginalized voices, the Manchester City Library will be hosting an event to transcribe essays written by those who are imprisoned, work in the prison system, or volunteer in the prison system through the American Prison Writings Archive. **Registration is required.** Please bring your own laptop. Library laptops will be provided on a first come, first served basis. For more information please contact Becky at 603-624-6550 ext. 3320

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Thursday October 10, 2019 7 pm, Hunt Room, Manchester City Library, 405 Pine Street

Join us to discuss KooKooland by Gloria Norris as part of our 2019 One Book One Manchester event. This memoir is ‘chilling, intensely moving and darkly funny. It cuts to the heart and soul of a troubled American family and announces a startling original voice.’ For more information please contact the library at 603-624-6550 X3319.

Tuesday October 15, 2019 12 to 1 pm, Room P302 UNH Manchester, 88 Commercial Street

Diversity & Inclusive Excellence (D & IE) Book Club Discussion of KooKooland by Gloria Norris

One City One Manchester is a community wide reading program that attempts to engage the entire community in the reading and discussion of one book. The UNH Manchester D & IE Committee has selected KooKooland by Manchester native and screenwriter Gloria Norris for their 2019 title. The book’s themes of perseverance and the value of education, along with the author’s engaging and humorous writing about growing up here in Manchester under very challenging childhood circumstances, make this both an entertaining read and an important catalyst for community conversations. Because this is such an amazing opportunity to engage in discussion on such a broad community level, the Diversity and Inclusive Excellence Book Club will use KooKooland as its first fall selection.
Open to the public - to sign up for the discussion, please send an email to unhm.library@unh.edu.

**Friday October 18, 2019 9:30-10:30 am Learning Commons, Manchester Community College, 1066 Front Street**

Join MCC Human Services and Behavioral Science students and faculty members Tara Strong and Laura Bilodeau, as well as UNHM Psychology professor and clinical psychologist Dr. Nicholas Mian, to view and discuss Pediatrician Nadine Burke Harris’s TED Talk on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES).

**Saturday October 19, 2019 10:30 am SNHU Reads**, the Southern New Hampshire’s Shapiro Library online book club will be holding a conversation of Kookooland by Gloria Norris via the SNHUreads Facebook page Participation is available at any time during or post discussion.

**Tuesday October 22, 2019 4 to 5 pm, Room P101 UNH Manchester, 88 Commercial Street**

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) *In Our Own Voice* Community Presentation

*In Our Own Voice* ([https://www.naminh.org/education/community-outreach/in-our-own-voice/](https://www.naminh.org/education/community-outreach/in-our-own-voice/)) is a NAMI NH recovery education presentation given by trained presenters who themselves have struggled with mental illness and are in recovery. This brief, yet comprehensive, interactive presentation about mental illness includes a video, personal testimony and discussion. The presentation enriches the participants’ understandings of how people with these serious disorders cope with their symptoms, recover, and lead productive lives with hope, meaning and dignity. The program also empowers those who are faced with mental illness, and provides living proof that recovery is an ongoing reality.

Throughout the presentation, the audience is encouraged to offer feedback and ask questions. These opportunities for participants lead to a better understanding of what it is like to live with a mental illness and help break down the walls of stigma that surround mental illness. In fact, 85% of those who attend an *In Our Own Voice* presentation leave with a more positive attitude about mental illness and recovery.

**Space is limited. To sign up for the event**, please send an email to Carolyn.gamtso@unh.edu.

**Wednesday October 23, 2019 6-7:30 pm, Room 100 at Manchester Community College, 1066 Front St.**

An evening about ACES at MCC. Ms. Norris’s memoir recounts her own Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES), so we’ll be exploring ACES through an interactive theatrical presentation created by MCC Behavioral Science Department Chair, Laura Bilodeau and performed by MCC’s Dramatic Flair students, where the audience will get to respond to the characters, followed by Q&A with the chair of the local Al-Anon and staff from the Upper Room Family Resource Center, Families in Transition, and other organizations addressing ACES in the Manchester area.

**Thursday, October 24, 12:30pm in the library at Manchester Community College, 1066 Front St.**
Whether or not you have read *KooKooLand* by Gloria Norris, come and hear about this riveting memoir of growing up in 1960’s Manchester. The book is this year’s One Book One Manchester selection.

**Tuesday October 29, 2019 12:15 pm, Hunt Room, Manchester City Library, 405 Pine Street**

Bring your lunch and join us to discuss *KooKooland* by Gloria Norris as part of our 2019 One Book One Manchester event. This memoir is ‘chilling, intensely moving and darkly funny. It cuts to the heart and soul of a troubled American family and announces a startling original voice.’ For more information please contact the library at 603-624-6550 X3319.

**Tuesday October 29, 2019 7 pm Auditorium, Manchester City Library, 405 Pine Street**

*Stigma in the City: A Brief History of Mental Wellness in Manchester from 1960 to Today*

Join Rick Cornell, VP of Community Relations at the Mental Health Center of Greater Manchester, for a look at the history of mental health in Manchester. Part of the One Book One Manchester series, Mr. Cornell will examine the stigma and discrimination faced by people with mental disorders during the 1960’s and how it shaped the projects where Gloria Norris grew up. He will touch on some of the most misunderstood disorders, and how, left untreated, they can cause tremendous damage to those who suffer from them and the people around them. For more information, contact Sue at 624-6550 x3320.

**Wednesday October 30, 2019 4 to 7 pm Geisel Library, 2nd Floor Classroom, Saint Anselm College, 100 St. Anselm Dr.**

American Prison Writing Archives Transcribe-a-thon on Wednesday, October 30 from 4-7 pm. In an effort to increase access to the marginalized voices, the Geisel Library will be hosting an event to transcribe essays written by those who are imprisoned, work in the prison system, or volunteer in the prison system through the American Prison Writings Archive. Registration is not required. Library laptops will be provided on a first come first serve basis. This will be a drop in event, but please make sure you can allocate at 45 minutes to transcribe an entire essay. For more information please contact Rebekah Dreyer at rdryer@anselm.edu

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**Saturday November 2, 2019- 2 pm to 4 pm, New England College, French Hall Building, auditorium, 148 Concord Street, Manchester NH**

As part of this year’s One Book One Manchester program the 4th Annual Storytelling Festival will focus on ‘Growing up’ in keeping with the themes of this year’s book selection. Stories may touch on this topic specifically or generally, and can be treated literally or as a metaphor. The event will feature a variety of forms of storytelling, from traditional oration to time-based media. Writers, visual artists, filmmakers, musicians, animators, graphic novelists, and anyone with a story to tell, professional or amateur, are all invited to participate in this event. Submission Details: Send a brief description of your
story or media to lcoats@nec.edu by Friday, October 11. Each presenter will be limited to five minutes. Those with imagery accompanying their story, please attach for review. Due Date: Friday, October 11
For more information contact OBOM@nec.edu

Sunday November 10, 2019 10 am, The Bookery 844 Elm Street

One Book One Manchester author will be at the Bookery to sign copies of this year’s 2019 selection KooKooland.

Wednesday, November 13th, 2019 at 3 pm. Elmwood Gardens, 83 Trahan Street

Gloria Norris will return to Elmwood Gardens, the Manchester neighborhood where she grew up to speak with the current residents.

Thursday November 14, 2019 6 to 8pm Multipurpose Room, Manchester Community College 1066 Front Street

Join us for an evening with Hollywood screenwriter and producer Gloria Norris, a Manchester native and the author of KooKooland. Ms. Norris will read from her memoir, answer audience questions, and sign copies of the book, which will be available for purchase. The event is free and open to the public.

Friday November 15th 10 am, YWCA 72 Concord Street

Gloria Norris will be joining us for a brunch event hosted by YWCA H and Dismas Home. More details will be released soon.