

# Board packet December 14, 2021: Illinois Libraries Present Intergovernmental Agreement

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Good morning,

Attached is a memo from the Illinois Libraries Present Steering Committee along with an Intergovernmental Agreement I am asking the Board to approve next Tuesday night.

What is “Illinois Libraries Present”? It is a pilot project that will provide libraries across the state the opportunity to provide high-quality online events, with attention to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, for their library patrons at an equitable cost. These virtual events will connect communities and audiences across the state through shared event experiences and program resource sharing. For WNPL to participate, the cost would be \$1,150. I feel this is a great deal for WNPL as this gains us at least six great online events to provide to our patrons for a little less than \$200 each. We already know what the first two events will be:

### **An Evening with [Silvia Moreno-Garcia](#)**

Wednesday, January 26 at 7 p.m. CST | Zoom

Bestselling author Silvia Moreno-Garcia discusses her newest book, *Velvet Was the Night*, and her genre-defying mashups of cultural noir and Lovecraftian horror.

Silvia Moreno-Garcia is the New York Times bestselling author of the critically acclaimed novels *Certain Dark Things*, *Gods of Jade and Shadow* and *Mexican Gothic*, which Vanity Fair called “[An] irresistibly dark feminist reimagining of the Gothic fantasy novel.” Mexican by birth, Canadian by inclination, Silvia has edited several anthologies, received many awards for her novels, and is a columnist for the *Washington Post*.

### **An Evening with [Jasmine Guillory](#)**

Wednesday, February 16 at 7 p.m. CST | Zoom

Join us for a lively evening with bestselling author Jasmine Guillory as she discusses the importance of real life and the modern rom-com.

Jasmine Guillory is a writer, lawyer and New York Times bestselling author of six romance novels, including *The Wedding Date*, *The Proposal*, and *While We Were Dating*. NPR called *The Proposal*, “Rollicking, charming, and infinitely zesty.” Her work has appeared in *O*, *The Oprah Magazine*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Bon Appetit*, and *Time*. She lives in Oakland, California.

I have discussed this with staff, and we feel there is little downside to participating. We have money in our budget for this and I believe our patrons will greatly enjoy these events. We are not committing ourselves to anything beyond these six months of programs.

Please see the attached memo and agreement for more details.

Thanks,  
Ryan

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