

## RELATED SPECIAL EVENTS (All Events Free!)

Check the Library's website for specific links to online programs at [ptpubliclibrary.org](http://ptpubliclibrary.org), under **Programs/Community Read**.

### Movie Kickoff: PTFP Presents *Boy*, written and directed by Taika Waititi

March 1–8 Virtual Screening Room On Demand

Screen the movie for free March 1st–March 8th through the Port Townsend Film Festival's online platform, [www.ptfilmfest.com](http://www.ptfilmfest.com). A coming-of-age story filled with magical realism.

### Free Screening of *Boy* at the Rose Theatre

March 5 (Saturday) Rose Theatre 1 pm

Watch *Boy* live at the Rose Theatre. Pick up free tickets at the Library or [www.ptfilmfest.com](http://www.ptfilmfest.com). Tickets are limited.

### Northwind Art – *Stand Tall and Reach Deep: Creative Book Covers for Wishtree*

March 1–31 Port Townsend Public Library See Library hours below

Max Grover's painting class reimagined the cover art for *Wishtree*, which are on display at the Library.

### StoryWalk *A Year Around the Great Oak* for Kids and their Families

March 1–31 Kah Tai Lagoon Anytime during daylight

A fun outdoor adventure for the whole family. Walk and read Gerda Muller's beautiful tribute to a great oak tree and the seasons. Starts at Landes Street entrance.

### Make a Wish Tree

March 1–31 Port Townsend Public Library

Come to the Library to make a wish for our own wishtree.

### Book Lovers' Café Online

March 7 (Monday) Online via Zoom 2 pm

Join the Library's Book Club for a group discussion of *The House in the Cerulean Sea* with Library Director Melody Sky Weaver.

### Meet the Author: Katherine Applegate Online

March 17 (Thursday) Online via Zoom 6:30 pm

Join Katherine Applegate for a presentation and reading.

### Some Questions About Trees Storytime

March 22 (Tuesday) Online via Zoom 10:30 am

Special virtual storytime with author Toni Yuly. For kids 0–6.

### Community Book Discussion Online

March 24 (Thursday) Online via Zoom 7 pm

Grab a curbside meal from your favorite local restaurant and join the book club discussion of *The House in the Cerulean Sea* with Kimberley Gorman, Executive Director of Jumping Mouse.

### Meet the Author: TJ Klune Online

March 31 (Thursday) Online via Zoom 6:30 pm

Join TJ Klune for a presentation and reading.



LIBRARY HOURS:  
Tue.–Thur. 10 am–7 pm  
Fri. & Sat. 10 am–5 pm  
Sun. 1–5 pm  
Mon. Closed

Books can be  
purchased at  
Imprint Books

## PORT TOWNSEND PUBLIC LIBRARY



# COMMUNITY READ 2022



FOR ADULTS AND TEENS

## *The House in the Cerulean Sea*

by TJ Klune

“It’s a witty, wholesome fantasy that’s likely to cause heart-swelling.”

– *The Washington Post*

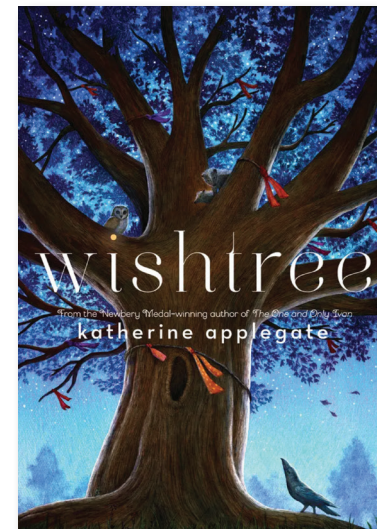
FOR CHILDREN

## *Wishtree*

by Katherine Applegate

“A deceptively simple, tender tale in which respect, resilience, and hope triumph.”

– *Kirkus Review*



# Port Townsend Reads . . . a community coming together through reading

## Author Profiles

**TJ KLUNE** is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling, Lambda Literary Award-winning author of *The House in the Cerulean Sea*, *The Extraordinaries*, and more. Being queer himself, Klune believes it's important – now more than ever – to have accurate, positive queer representation in stories. He lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Visit online at [www.tjklunebooks.com](http://www.tjklunebooks.com).

**KATHERINE APPLGATE** is the author of several best-selling young adult series, including *Animorphs* and *Roscoe Riley Rules. Home of the Brave*, her first standalone novel, received the SCBWI 2008 Golden Kite Award for Best Fiction and the Bank Street 2008 Josette Frank Award. She won the John Newbery Medal in 2013. She lives with her family in Irvine, California. Visit online at [www.wishtreebook.com](http://www.wishtreebook.com).

### Book for Adults and Teens: *The House in the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune

A magical island. A dangerous task. A burning secret. Linus Baker is a by-the-book caseworker in the Department in Charge of Magical Youth. He's tasked with determining whether six dangerous magical children are likely to bring about the end of the world.

Arthur Parnassus is the master of the orphanage. He would do anything to keep the children safe, even if it means the world will burn. And his secrets will come to light.

*The House in the Cerulean Sea* is an enchanting love story, masterfully told, about the profound experience of discovering an unlikely family in an unexpected place – and realizing that family is yours.

### Book for Children: *Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate

The *New York Times* bestselling story of kindness, friendship, and hope. Trees can't tell jokes, but they can certainly tell stories... Red is an oak tree who is many rings old. Red is the neighborhood "wishtree" – people write their wishes on pieces of cloth and tie them to Red's branches. Along with a crow named Bongo and other animals who seek refuge in Red's hollows, this wishtree watches over the neighborhood. You might say Red has seen it all.

Until a new family moves in. Not everyone is welcoming, and Red's experience as a wishtree is more important than ever.

Funny, deep, warm, and nuanced, this is Applegate at her very best – writing from the heart, and from a completely unexpected point of view.

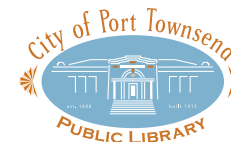
## THE COMMUNITY READ PROGRAM & HOW IT WORKS

The City of Port Townsend has proclaimed March as the official "Reading Month." Community Read is designed to promote closer ties among community members through the shared experience of reading, sharing and discussing the same book and ideas related to topics raised by the book.

- A limited number of free copies of the book will be available at the Port Townsend Public Library on a first-come, first-served basis. Additional copies will be available at the Library on two-week loans, or you may purchase a copy at Imprint Bookstore.
- Read the book, then pass it on to others.
- Prepare for a discussion about the book with your own book group or join in with other book clubs. A brochure with discussion issues and questions is available at the Library.
- Attend the many related, mostly online, events during the month of March.

**ALL EVENTS ARE FREE!!!**

For more information:  
(360) 385-3181  
[www.ptpubliclibrary.org](http://www.ptpubliclibrary.org)



This year's Community Read is mostly online to keep our community safe and connected. The Library's website offers live online events and some self-paced activities. All the information for how to access the programs are on the Library's website under **Programs/Community Read**.

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