



3 Ways to Read Brave

[Read Brave](#) is Saint Paul Public Library's citywide, intergenerational reading initiative that centers the power of books to ignite empathy and help us think of big ideas to build a better Saint Paul. It connects readers of all ages to one another through one theme, five books and their authors, programs, and a call to action.

Read Brave 2022's theme is community care – how we care for each other and our collective, connected well-being. Read Brave runs February 8 through March 31, 2022.

1. Read

There are five books for all reading ages, abilities, and interests in our Read Brave series focused on community care. Check out the books from the Library available in hard copy or as an e-book or audiobook—no hold lists, no wait!

- **Main Book YA Fiction:** [The Magic Fish](#) by Minneapolis-based author Trung Lê Nguyễn.
- **Adult Nonfiction:** [What We Hunger For](#) edited by 신 선 영 Sun Yung Shin and published by Minnesota Historical Society Press with contributions from Valérie Déus, V. V. Ganeshanathan, Roy G. Guzmán, Lina Jamoul, Simi Kang, May Lee-Yang, Ifrah Mansour, Anh-Hoa Thi Nguyễn, Zarlisht Niaz, Junauda Petrus-Nasah, Kou B. Thao, Michael Torres, Saymoukda Duangphouxay Vongsay, and Senah Yeboah-Sampong
- **Chapter Book:** [Maya and the Robot](#) by Eve L. Ewing
- **Early Reader:** [Planet Omar and the Accidental Trouble Magnet](#) by Zanib Mian
- **Picture book:** [Thank You, Omu!](#) by Oge Mora

2. Talk

Discuss the books with neighbors, family, and others. Dig into themes, characters, and community care.

- **Spark conversation.** Use our discussion guide at readbrave.org in conversations with your friends, colleagues, neighbors, and family. Suggest a Read Brave title to your book club or another group. Use our toolkit for help in facilitating conversations. For support, drop us a note readbrave.org.
- **Join a conversation at your local library.** Libraries across Saint Paul are [hosting brave conversations](#).
- **Share on social media.** Share your thoughts on community care and invite others to Read Brave. Use the hashtag #readbrave and #communitycare.

3. Act

- **Participate in a program.** [Browse our list of events for all ages](#). More coming soon.
- **Meet the author(s).** We'll soon announce author events and workshops. Stay tuned!
- **Volunteer and care for your community.** Join us for a volunteer event for the whole family.

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