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May 15, 2025

Dear Listeners,

Of special note this week is the Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI) support for federal workers [**here**](#DBVI), as well as several resources from the Arlington Public Library in the Calendar section. And don’t miss the opportunity for blind models from RoseAnn Ashby [**here**](#Models).

Cheers,

Sylvia

Here are the links to all the items below:

* [**DBVI Supporting Federal Workers**](#DBVI)
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  + **[NFB CENA Access Boutique Series: Indoor Navigation Software Boutique](#NFB)**
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  + **[Hadley What's Cooking? Discussion Group - Cooking from Scratch vs. Prepared Ingredients](#Cook)**
  + **[iPhone Vision Accessibility Demonstration](#iPhone)**
  + **[The Fairfax County All Access Book Club – Dial A for Aunties](#Aunt)**

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**DBVI SUPPORTING FEDERAL WORKERS**

The Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI) is here for you. Whether you're still employed, have been laid off, or just have questions, DBVI is committed to supporting you during this time. They’ve scheduled two upcoming webinars to provide a space for you to ask questions, share concerns, and learn about the services and resources available through their programs.

**Join them to:**

* Get answers to your questions
* Learn about available DBVI services
* Connect with staff who are ready to help

**Webinar Dates and Times:**  
Wednesday, May 21st at 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Thursday, June 5th at 7:00 - 8:00pm

* **Federal Employees & Federal Contractors - DBVI Assistance**

Wednesday, May 21st from 7:00 to 8:00 pm

[**Zoom Link**](https://links-2.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Fdsa-virginia.zoomgov.com%2Fj%2F1608662455%3Fpwd=2HUlrv41HCaHBT1rFZdx158wCdaGrb.1%26utm_medium=email%26utm_source=govdelivery/1/01010196ca4f2b58-37c2214b-9a09-4078-8c98-906ac88de8cb-000000/7KebGbC1Vih_0R0vTmjmqKVH47fskt_IjfAFo6DY2Xg=404)  
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* **Federal Employees & Federal Contractors - DBVI Assistance**

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(646) 964-1167 (Spanish)  
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**CHANGES CCOMING TO EVERY METROBUS ROUTE IN VIRGINIA**

Starting on June 29, WMATA will be implementing their [**Better Bus Network Redesign**](https://links-2.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Fwww.wmata.com%2Finitiatives%2Fplans%2FBetter-Bus%2F/2/01010196d555474a-0c98caf5-0c69-47f1-a352-93114e20bbd5-000000/2DDVc1uP8VTLXf9j1n7zqJll84cb0pzi5oi22EddWq4=405) to consolidate bus stops and rename bus routes throughout the region. All Metrobus routes will go by new names. [**You can use the complete Virginia Metrobus Route List**](https://links-2.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Fnam11.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl=https%253A%252F%252Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%252FCL0%252Fhttps%253A%25252F%25252Fwww.wmata.com%25252Finitiatives%25252Fplans%25252FBetter-Bus%25252Fupload%25252FResource_2025-Route-Profiles_Virginia.pdf%252F1%252F010101968234c476-cd28ad8c-1472-41b0-8f38-ad280cbd9785-000000%252F6FJIpAFm2vwEsXdNjlDXZ-eIdHzGQeZlcMqN7tlzAW4%253D402%26data=05%257C02%257Cmdaraja%2540arlingtonva.us%257C68878ad32c594f9ddbe408dd87342740%257C803548041fdf428e9f5f5091e994cf54%257C0%257C0%257C638815380601278640%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%253D%253D%257C0%257C%257C%257C%26sdata=7DkpVfhtXfyWe37YLjmmBE%252FwiUWkcQMA%252FMTI3kBUAY4%253D%26reserved=0/1/01010196d555474a-0c98caf5-0c69-47f1-a352-93114e20bbd5-000000/x2OKspDwTWT4kdUgrMoONRWuzK-WgQQ1Xz6qrwPWFTk=405) to cross reference your current routes with the new routes.

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**FCC RENEWS WAIVER OF ACCESSIBLE EMERGENCY INFORMATION**

On May 12, 2025, the FCC released an order to extend for one year an existing waiver of the requirement that television broadcasters provide an aural representation of visual, non-textual emergency information (such as radar maps or other graphics) on the secondary audio stream of video broadcasts.

The order extends the waiver through May 27, 2026, or until there is a ruling on a separate NAB petition for rulemaking on the accessibility requirement, whichever is sooner.

Link to the Memorandum Opinion and Order:

[**https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DA-25-406A1.pdf**](https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DA-25-406A1.pdf)

Link to the NAB Petition for Rulemaking:

[**https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/1115662625005/1**](https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/1115662625005/1)

For general information about the FCC's television emergency information requirements, visit: [**https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/accessibility-emergency-information-television/**](https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/accessibility-emergency-information-television/).  For more information about this specific proceeding, please contact Diana Sokolow, Media Bureau, Policy Division, at (202) 418-0588 or [**Diana.Sokolow@fcc.gov**](mailto:Diana.Sokolow@fcc.gov).

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| **35TH ADA ANNIVERSARY SURVEY**  From the Mid-Atlantic ADA Center  Did you know that this July 26th marks the 35th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990—a landmark civil rights law that continues to shape access and equity in everyday life?  While progress has been made, the need to understand the ADA's ongoing impact—and the barriers that still exist— is more urgent than ever.  You are invited to take part in a brief, anonymous survey, a product of the [**Southwest ADA Center**](https://7azbrycab.cc.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001fVWk_fTorvmV1dEqwxIO71nA1GB-o1OSlkapdOwlBh9qPf_322NK9be_khn7wguXzaKv8bJmHvpTMON62-AtL3TCJoINELSsf3aU4YyzJam_HBWG2BmPlPRH3x2SzIlSvkiaXLLP7TvJ1qxHCg_bluSTB-_k78IT&c=dAgtf7JM7QJunDU8_Hw8VejWrWmokHrrd4f6qi4N4H8a5rNF-E1IGA==&ch=vJWy5xf8pOoXfHRa18aC7jL7pEyfpKf-uyzNWg9wsiBzUfUoGyKFkQ==), to help them assess how far we've come and how far we still need to go. The survey results will be used to inform and guide technical assistance and policy recommendations related to the ADA.  Participate in the survey at [**The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Impact Survey: 2025**](https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8264936/ADA-Impact-Survey-2025) before it closes on May 31st.  ### |

**EXPERTS INSIGHT PODCAST**

Ever hear the story of how the ophthalmology community came to reverse its 40-year-old recommendation on vitamin A supplementation for people with retinitis pigmentosa? You can hear the full story on the American Academy of Ophthalmology’s *Experts InSight* podcast featuring Drs. Jason Comander and Rachel Huckfeldt. — [**View on Instagram**](https://aao.mmsend.com/link.cfm?r=xS2bDdk6GZvlajRKLJx5dg~~&pe=NUpOSryhwIRLEqAtGjOUNuQA_QeAMKVBCgCIytziV2qK_LB7oJ6LGkhaX1FqRX16Nz5C-uYiL2tY6P3JLg5YHw~~&t=YQZkcsnEBieRO-ASf3phbQ~~) | [**Listen to Podcast**](https://aao.mmsend.com/link.cfm?r=xS2bDdk6GZvlajRKLJx5dg~~&pe=KXfSvN8HttgLUukBsSGMJNnjyoNKFpZvWFmDAti_xXWgMR3tWeRoI8b-YrXeSPqb5_xRL0LOqDL4LfTtH1dvcA~~&t=YQZkcsnEBieRO-ASf3phbQ~~)

**HELP WANTED: BECOME A *JVIB* PEER REVIEWER**

Take a front row seat to the cutting-edge research of the field of blindness and low vision by joining the team who ensures that the papers published in the *Journal of Visual Impairment & Blindness (JVIB)* are of the highest possible quality.

The journal’s peer reviewers are professionals with a wide range of expertise, including lived experiences as people who are blind or low vision. They identify a paper’s strengths and weaknesses and make suggestions on how an author can improve their work. If you are already busy in your professional role, rest assured that most reviewers are invited to review just one manuscript a year.

If you are interested in becoming a *JVIB* peer reviewer, visit *JVIB’s* submission site, [**https://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/jvib**](https://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/jvib), create an account, and indicate your interest by selecting the checkbox related to peer review on page three. Send questions to [**jvib@afb.org**](mailto:jvib@afb.org).

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**EXCITING OPPORTUNITY FOR BLIND MODELS**

From RoseAnn Ashby

As many of you may know, for the last two years I participated in a fashion show featuring blind models. It was an energizing and fun-filled experience for me and the other models. I encourage anyone, male or female, who has an interest in ripping the red carpet to read on for more details.

Angie Harris, founder of the ImperfeKtlymade Foundation, is planning a fashion show which will take place on Saturday November 1st in northern Virginia.

This year, she is asking that all aspiring blind models interested in participating should register on her website at: [**https://www.imperfektlymade.com/events**](https://www.imperfektlymade.com/events). You must register by May 23rd to be considered.

On June 21st, there will be a call for models to determine who will be modeling clothes for a specific designer.

If you have questions, you can reach Angie at 240-416-3741 or email her at [**info@imperfektlymade.com**](mailto:info@imperfektlymade.com).

Of course, I would be happy to talk to you about my experiences as well to give you another perspective. I highly recommend this opportunity!

RoseAnn Ashby

(703) 403-0226 cell

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**THEATER UPDATE**

The following performances will be described by an MWE volunteer. Note that recorded program notes will be available at the theater just prior to the actual performance and on Dial-In before and after the performance at Publication 8, Category 10, Branch 11.

**Kimberly Akimbo**

National Theater – 1-800-514-3849

Described Saturday, May 24th at 2:00 pm and Sunday, May 25th at 7:30 pm

**We Are Gathered**

Arena Stage Fichandler at the Mead Center - 202-488-3300

Described Saturday, May 31st at 2:00 pm

**Senior Class**

Olney Theatre Center – Roberts Mainstage 301-924-3400

Described Wednesday, June 4th at 7:30 pm

**King James**

Round House Theatre Bethesda - 240-644-1100

**Described Saturday, June 7th at 2:00 pm**

**Frankenstein**

Shakespeare: Klein Theatre: 202-547-1122

Described Saturday, June 14th at 2:00 pm

**Ain’t Too Proud – The Life and Times of the Temptations**

National Theater – 1-800-514-3849

Described, Saturday, June 21st at 2:00 pm and

Sunday, June 22nd at 7:30 pm

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**CALENDAR**

**Replay POB Events**

**Listen and watch replays of recent webinars and other POB events at**[**www.youreyes.org/replays**](http://www.youreyes.org/replays)

###

**Arlington Library Resume Assistance Workshop for Transitioning From Government Service**

Saturday, May 17th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

[**Shirlington Library**](http://library.arlingtonva.us/locations/shirlington-branch-library)Campbell Room

4200 Campbell Avenue, Arlington

Transform Your Government Experience into Private Sector Success.

**The C.R.A.S.H. Course: Resumes with Impact**is a focused, 90-minute workshop designed to help federal employees and contractors effectively translate their government experience into a results-driven resume for private sector opportunities. Whether you're transitioning to a new career or seeking advancement, this course offers practical strategies to help you stand out. By the end of the session, you will have the tools to craft a resume that is **C**lear**, R**esults-focused, **A**ccomplishment-driven, **S**trategic, and **H**igh-impact.

Register is recommended at [**C.R.A.S.H. Course: Resumes with Impact - Events Calendar - Home**](https://arlingtonva.libcal.com/event/14433603)

**First-come, first-served seating. By registering, you will receive event updates.**

For more information, please call Shirlington Library at 703-228-6545.

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**FFB Mental Health Webinar**

Saturday, May 17th at 12:00 Noon

Join the Foundation Fighting Blindness (FFB) quarterly vision webinar focused on mental health, coinciding with Mental Health Awareness Month this May. Navigating vision loss can deeply affect mental health, but finding tailored resources is often difficult, so they're here to support you.

They will cover:

* The emotional impact of vision loss
* Coping strategies and resilience
* Mental health resources
* Building community support

This is a valuable opportunity to connect, learn, and find support.

**Registration Page:**

[[**Quarterly Vision Webinar-Mental Health**](https://u35158275.ct.sendgrid.net/ls/click?upn=u001.TwpWPek5144WRusuAV3MCTdZC3CLpGZUbwF8eVUqbM5kJ0p3uSBqBAikYDlVywGXK3-2F-2B-2FyqFmVKwtOi1PEASoMtAnWy1TyED4KCtIPSKnJQ5QJdeqc54wnSli0ktZz2xobtu3-2FnbTxkATSjIWM8K5Jmzafh6onvozStnaQpJWxJn-2B7Y9ZgWIhI0kxT1G-2FV2trh01oTEC8TPY3IyLyxT5CPpoTpuXkqNDpC3ALq0NnxU-3DE2Jq_Gm0wzphATd0uQbd-2FHpE-2Bv2F-2Bbf-2FGTiacR0j91njw5-2FjfRZxe-2BoZli-2FhmBhdBrzrPopBbkowQ2JxxZVrvxYo-2FOLkgeNNESkQ4z9uHwY9XcqziyBD3BQ0zP7BNrLAV-2B5ZisD9UhcYe4xKsBHigzevJ657-2FOpKuNtxjsradsuMDXf8-2BXApFZg-2BNCn-2BZsbYSYUK746Qxp-2FO63JT4Q1B8A9YNMzHUDoBaJzOkEtQglYEdiWlTaLDkC3R4KWBjrETbXIX-2F4O2j3j71fizQrCztRJMGPJdTY1J8ptt8Hv7jPEN43z4-3D)]

For more information, please reach out to Bailey Bostelman at[**BBostelman@FightingBlindness.org.**](mailto:BBostelman@FightingBlindness.org)

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**FFB DC Metro Vision Walk**

Saturday, May 18th at 10:00 am

Yards Park Washington, D.C.

Join your Vision Walk community! Together, we step closer to fighting blinding diseases.

For more information, contact Lauren Meltzer at 443-539-8547 or [**LMeltzer@FightingBlindness.org**](mailto:LMeltzer@FightingBlindness.org)

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**Tech Talk Tuesdays - Vision-Friendly Lighting (Virtual Event)**  
Tuesday, May 20th from 1:00 to 2:00 pm  
Join the Prevention of Blindness Society of Metropolitan Washington to explore lighting solutions for low vision, focusing on types of lights, brightness levels, and features that support comfort, clarity, and eye health.  
**To register**, call (301) 951-4444.  
###

**Hadley Resource Roundtable - Tools for Reading and Writing After Vision Loss**

Tuesday, May 20th at 2:00 pm

A vision change can make reading and writing more challenging. Join this Hadley discussion group and share tips and ideas to help you continue to read and write with vision loss.

Sign up to join at [**Resource Roundtable | Hadley Discussion Group for the Visually Impaired**](https://hadleyhelps.org/discussion-groups/resource-roundtable).

###

**Launch Your Dream Business: Life After Government**

Tuesday, May 20th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm

[**Central Library**](http://library.arlingtonva.us/locations/central-library)Barbara M. Donnellan Auditorium

1015 North Quincy Street, Arlington  
Several Arlington County departments are jointly hosting a free event for [**government workers who are thinking about opening a new business**](https://links-2.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Farlingtonva.libcal.com%2Fevent%2F14237559/1/01010196d555474a-0c98caf5-0c69-47f1-a352-93114e20bbd5-000000/d_roRLZcQ-tPi2rWcS2yrBkot3_IE9S9D81dhI840ME=405). Join [**SCORE**](https://www.score.org/), Arlington County's **[BizLaunch](http://www.arlingtoneconomicdevelopment.com/Small-Business/About-BizLaunch)** and Arlington Public Library to learn the key elements you need to have and the many low-cost services available to you.

Leaving government, retiring, or want to be an entrepreneur? This free two-hour overview will help get you started!

Light refreshments will be served.

REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED at[**Launch Your Dream Business: Life After Government - Events Calendar - Home**](https://arlingtonva.libcal.com/event/14237559)**.**

**First-come, first-served seating.  By registering, you will receive event updates. ​**

For more information, email LibraryPrograms@arlingtonva.us.

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**Arlington Library Job-Hunting Assistance**

Wednesday, May 21st from 10:30 to 11:30 am

[**Courthouse Library**](https://library.arlingtonva.us/locations/courthouse-library/)Birch Conference Room, 1st Floor Lobby  
2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Arlington

Drop-in Resume and Job Search Help

Get Help with Your Job Hunt or Career Change

Meet with dedicated Library staff and experienced volunteers who are ready to:

* help you with your job search
* review your resume
* suggest further resources
* Bring your laptop or use their computers.

Registration recommended at [**Drop-in Resume and Job Search Help - Events Calendar - Home**](https://arlingtonva.libcal.com/event/13891616)

**By registering you will receive event updates.**

Please call 703-228-3352 or email Lib-Courthouse@arlingtonva.us for more information.

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**Low Vision Town Hall (Virtual Event) - Emotional Health with Low Vision**  
Wednesday, May 21st from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm  
Join the Prevention of Blindness Society of Metropolitan Washington for a conversation with Nina Glasner, LCSW-C, a low-vision mental health therapist, on the importance of caring for your mental health when living with vision impairment. They will explore common emotional challenges, practical coping strategies, and how to navigate everyday situations. Bring your questions and be part of the discussion. **To register**, call (301) 951-4444**.**   
###

**FCC Older Americans Month Webinar**

Thursday, May 22nd from 2:00 to 3:00 pm

In recognition of Older Americans Month, the Federal Communications Commission’s Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB) will host a webinar highlighting how staying connected can empower Older Americans to flip the script on aging.

Each year during the month of May, the Administration for Community Living announces the theme for Older Americans Month. The theme for 2025 is **“Flip the Script on Aging”** which focuses on transforming how society perceives, talks about, and approaches aging. It encourages individuals and communities to challenge stereotypes and dispel misconceptions.

During the webinar, attendees will be provided with information about:

* Connectivity as a tool to prevent social isolation
* Telehealth resources

To register, use this link:  [**https://fccgov.webex.com/weblink/register/re2fefa77ba52760fc1d3e250bfa99245**](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__fccgov.webex.com_weblink_register_re2fefa77ba52760fc1d3e250bfa99245&d=DwMFAg&c=y0h0omCe0jAUGr4gAQ02Fw&r=DmvsvO94LTTX-Yqr4e8BJq9kq8pUA8ZrNrYQLwHRakg&m=GB5YWquOPpM5kIxQEBH0Zwa-MUS8Ujmi0AbJCuPeYsNBq5wNuhVNkHKL_zes33Eu&s=2GlbMJqGZz_2t2UKhgcd95IlrICScBr_BzyOs5qDwvY&e=)**.**

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. The presentation slide deck will be shared with attendees after the webinar.

ASL interpreters and captioning will be provided.  Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Requesters of such accommodations may contact the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at [**fcc504@fcc.gov**](mailto:fcc504@fcc.gov) or (202) 418-0530. Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed and how the requester can be contacted. Requests should be made as early as possible.

Questions about the webinar or to schedule a meeting to discuss how to collaborate with the FCC on providing information to your community can be emailed to [**outreach@fcc.gov**](mailto:outreach@fcc.gov).

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**Accessible Board and Card Game Night**

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| Thursday, May 22nd at 4:00 pm MLK Library Center for Accessibility 901 G Street, NW, Room 205-H  Play accessible Scrabble, Monopoly, Bingo, Uno, and more! Boards and cards are tactile and include braille and large print labeling. All are welcome! |

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**Free Virtual Financial Education Workshop - Conquering Debt**

Thursday, May 22nd from 6:00 to 7:00 pm  
The Maryland State Library for the Blind and Print Disabled (LBPD), in proud partnership with the CASH Campaign of Maryland, invites you to attend a free virtual financial education class. The session is taught live via Zoom by Christina Figueroa, Senior Program Associate for Financial Capability at the CASH Campaign, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting economic advancement for low- to moderate-income individuals and families in Maryland. Learn more about their work and additional resources at [**www.cashmd.org**](https://links-1.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Fcashmd.org%2F%3Futm_medium=email%26utm_source=govdelivery/1/01000196d50e9883-e3926b74-9744-4751-902c-ddc2dd83211b-000000/8QgOg9NXdUJrujYtGpp8k5yIZ8dY9JmvUdLeHiMttP4=405).

Debt can feel like a heavy burden, but you don't have to face it alone. This session will equip you with realistic strategies to reduce and manage debt, including the snowball and avalanche repayment methods. You'll learn how to prioritize payments, understand the impact of interest, and get familiar with your rights when communicating with debt collectors. The CASH Campaign team will also share trusted local resources and provide guidance on when to seek help from professionals. Whether you're facing credit card debt, medical bills, or student loans, you'll leave with tools to regain control. Register [**here**](https://links-1.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Fmarylandlibraries.zoom.us%2Fmeeting%2Fregister%2FQy3nF1S3S8eCW4r2zC4sjw%3Futm_medium=email%26utm_source=govdelivery/1/01000196d50e9883-e3926b74-9744-4751-902c-ddc2dd83211b-000000/7oqH4plhRVQUq9ctad1-E2SAtPPiySqhei-zO0ad1TE=405).

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**Can't attend live?**  
The session will be recorded and made available for playback. However, they highly encourage you to join live so you can ask questions in real-time.

**Registration is free but required.**

Have questions about the sessions or need help registering?Contact Ashley Biggs at [**Ashley.Biggs1@maryland.gov**](mailto:Ashley.Biggs1@maryland.gov) or call 410-230-2430.

###

**ACBVA's Virtual Book Group Meeting**

Thursday, May 22nd at 7:00 pm

Share the books you've been reading and learn what others are reading.

All are welcome.

You do not need to be a member to attend.

You do not need to have a book on which to report.

As always, rather than asking everyone to read the same book, attendees are asked to report on a book or books they have read.

ACBVA's book group meetings are not only a great way to learn about books you may not be aware of, but you may also learn about sources of audio books and technology others use to read.

And, they realize the time and date are not convenient for everyone, so, following the meeting, they plan to distribute information about

 the books attendees review.

Join Zoom Meeting

[**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83807277786?pwd=NHhqckpZRHB0dTRsSEoyNzM5Z3B5dz09**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83807277786?pwd=NHhqckpZRHB0dTRsSEoyNzM5Z3B5dz09)

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**Jazz In The Garden: Lao Tizer Band**

Friday, May 23rd from 6:00 to 8:30 pm

National Gallery of Art Sculpture Garden

7th Street and Constitution Ave., NW

Jazz R&B fusion

Kick off the season with the Lao Tizer Band, an Oasis Jazz Award nominee for Jazz Group of the Year.

Registration Required at [**Jazz in the Garden**](https://www.nga.gov/calendar/concerts/jazz-in-the-garden.html) beginning May 12th at 10:00 am.

They have a free lottery system so that anyone interested in attending Jazz in the Garden has an equal chance to participate.

**Lottery Dates**

*Lottery opens: Monday, May 12, 10:00 a.m.  
Lottery closes: Friday, May 16, noon  
Results announced: Monday, May 19, 10:00 a.m.*

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**Section 508 Best Practices Webinar: The NPS.gov Media Player: An Accessible Option for All Government**

Tuesday, May 27th from 1:00 – 2:30 pm

The National Park Service (NPS) within the Department of the Interior (DOI) has developed an open-source media player which conforms with the Revised Section 508 Standard for user controls by ensuring that the caption control (CC) and audio description control (AD) buttons are visible alongside the other user controls. Over several years, the National Park Service has customized a media player which aims to be as accessible as possible.

For more details or to register, visit the [**Great Lakes ADA Center's webinar webpage**](https://links-1.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Fwww.accessibilityonline.org%2Fcioc-508%2Fsession%3Fid=111169/1/01000196aaf1c72f-0a187edc-1e9a-4d0d-964b-9d0c07955398-000000/QtfPaB2VXivV5N2J2GJOp3ndFGZwT4lplXDQS8g15Co=404). Questions for the presenters can be submitted during the registration process.

Learn more at [**The NPS.gov Media Player: An Accessible Option for All Government**](https://www.accessibilityonline.org/cioc-508/session?id=111169).

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**NFB CENA Access Boutique Series: Indoor Navigation Software Boutique**

Tuesday, May 27th from 2:00 to 3:30 pm

The indoor Navigation technology field has expanded greatly in recent years. With the advancement of beacon, laser mapping, and smart phone technology, finding your way around a large and complex indoor space like an airport or office building as a blind person has become much easier. They will cover:

* Smart phone applications
* The future of indoor navigation

Register at [**https://nfb.org/programs-services/center-excellence-nonvisual-access/events/accessibility-boutique-reg**](https://nfb.org/programs-services/center-excellence-nonvisual-access/events/accessibility-boutique-reg).

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**Hadley Tech It Out Discussion Group - Tech for Tracking Your Health**

Tuesday, May 27th at 2:00 pm

Join as they discuss talking products and smartphone apps that can help you access important information about your health.

Sign up to join at [**Tech It Out | Hadley Discussion Group for the Visually Impaired**](https://hadleyhelps.org/discussion-groups/tech-it-out).

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**Hadley What's Cooking? Discussion Group - Cooking from Scratch vs. Prepared Ingredients**

Wednesday, May 28th at 5:00 pm

Do you prefer to cook with fresh ingredients or prepared? Join the chat and share experiences, tips, favorite recipes.

Sign up to join at [**What's Cooking? | Hadley Discussion Group for the Visually Impaired**](https://hadleyhelps.org/discussion-groups/whats-cooking).

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**iPhone Vision Accessibility Demonstration**  
Wednesday, June 4th from 10:00 to 11:00 am  
Apple Store - Fairfax Corner  
4221 Fairfax Corner East Avenue Fairfax  
Apple experts, known as Geniuses, will guide everyone through the iPhone's vision accessibility and assistive features, including magnification, and text-to-speech. They recommend bringing your iPhone for hands-on training. Space is limited

**To reserve a spot,** call (301) 951-4444.

Sponsored by the Prevention of Blindness Society of Metropolitan Washington.

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**The Fairfax County All Access Book Club – Dial A For Aunties**

Thursday, June 5th at 11:00 am

For June, they are reading [**Dial A for Aunties**](https://fcplcat.fairfaxcounty.gov/search/title.aspx?ctx=1.1033.0.0.1&pos=3&cn=466895)  by Jesse Q. Sutanto. Join to share your love of books with others in the county! To join the discussion:

* Call 703-324-1800 or 1-877-862-8112 (toll-free)
* Enter the code 389887# when prompted

For more information, call Access Services at 703-324-8380 or email [**libas@fairfaxcounty.gov**](mailto:libas@fairfaxcounty.gov).

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