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Libraries Receive Grant to Present “Becoming American” Program Series

More than 125 events planned throughout next three months

Wake County Public Libraries is one of 32 organizations nationwide selected to host “Becoming American: A Documentary Film and Discussion Series on Our Immigration Experience.” The series is made possible by a \$1,300 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Cameron Village Regional Library will host the free, six-week program, which features documentary film screenings and scholar-led discussions designed to engage and enlighten audiences. Films represent a selection of diverse immigration experiences drawn from both the past and the present.

The Century of Immigration	Monday, Sept. 17 6:30 p.m.
Promise and Prejudice	Monday, Sept. 24 6:30 p.m.
Between Two Worlds: Identity and Acculturation	Monday, Oct. 1 6:30 p.m.
Help Wanted? Immigration and Work	Monday, Oct. 8 6:30 p.m.
Family and Community	Monday, Oct. 15 6:30 p.m.
Immigration and Popular Culture	Monday, Oct. 22 6:30 p.m.

More information on each of the topics and the featured films is available [here](#).

In addition, Wake County Public Libraries has planned [more than 125 additional programs and performances](#) to celebrate the series. Here's just a sampling of what's available:

A Taste of Home: Food Culture. Nationally-known cookbook author Sandra Gutierrez, originally from Latin America, will share her unique take on food heritage and how she adapts her family recipes for today's cooks at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, at Northeast Regional Library.

HamiTEA. Celebrate our 10-dollar founding father without a father and learn all about the Hamilton phenomenon that's set to arrive in Durham after taking the country by storm. Enjoy music, trivia and conversation about Lin-Manuel Miranda's Tony Award-winning musical. Registration is recommended.

North Regional Library	Saturday, Nov. 3 2 p.m.
Richard B. Harrison Community Library	Sunday, Nov. 4 2 p.m.
Northeast Regional Library	Sunday, Nov. 4 2 p.m.
West Regional Library	Sunday, Nov. 4 2 p.m.
East Regional Library	Saturday, Nov. 10 2 p.m.
Cameron Village Regional Library	Sunday, Nov. 11 2 p.m.
Southeast Regional Library	Tuesday, Nov. 13 3:30 p.m.
Eva Perry Regional Library	Monday, Nov. 19 7 p.m.

Flamenco Guitar and Dance. Guitarist Ed Stephenson and dancer Rachele Ruiz will be one of the featured performances in the Music in the Library series.

Cameron Village Regional Library	Wednesday, Oct. 3 6:30 p.m.
East Regional Library	Wednesday, Oct. 17 6:30 p.m.
Northeast Regional Library	Thursday, Oct. 4 4 p.m.
North Regional Library	Sunday, Oct. 14 2 p.m.
Richard B. Harrison Community Library	Tuesday, Oct. 23 6:30 p.m.

Southeast Regional Library

Saturday, Oct. 27 | 4 p.m.

For information on Wake County Public Libraries locations, programs and services, visit wakegov.com/libraries. For more about the Becoming American series, contact Elena Owens at eowens@wakegov.com.

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