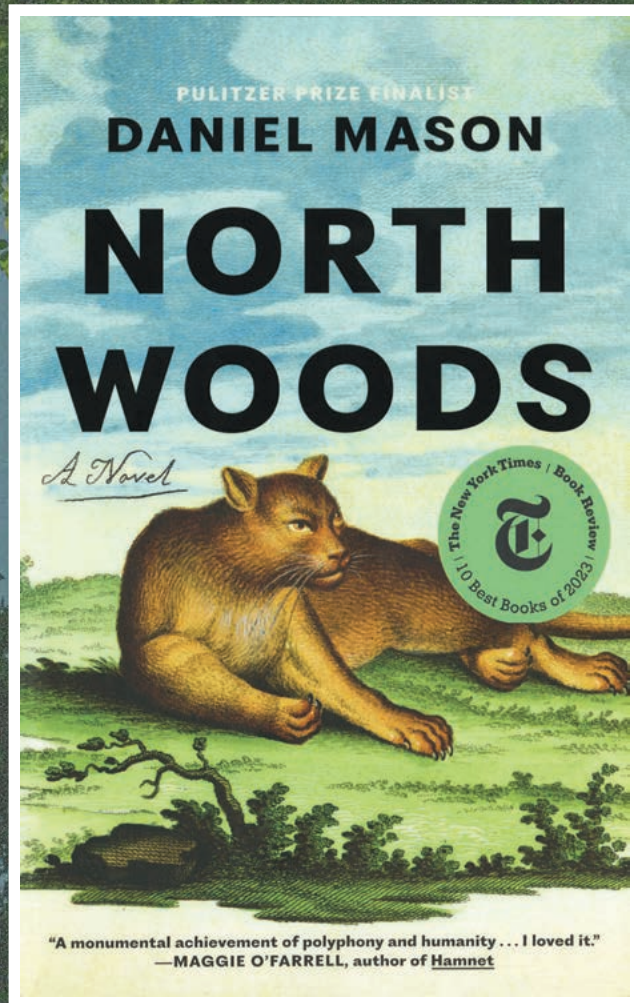


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# Event Guide

*2025 Community-Wide Reading Program*



Daniel Boone Regional Library



# Online Author's Talk

## Daniel Mason

Thursday, September 25 • 7-8 p.m.

Join us for a live online conversation between *One Read* author Daniel Mason and former KFRU radio personality David Lile about his book, "North Woods."

### Submit questions for the author through September 19 via:

- [www.dbrl.org/one-read](http://www.dbrl.org/one-read)
- by mail to DBRL, Attn: One Read, P.O. Box 1267, Columbia, MO 65205
- Questions may also be asked via chat during the author event.

### Watch or Listen to the Author's Talk

- Register for a Zoom link at [www.dbrl.org/one-read-event](http://www.dbrl.org/one-read-event)
- The talk will be recorded and available to watch on our YouTube channel ([www.youtube.com/@DbriOrg](http://www.youtube.com/@DbriOrg)) through October 17.

### ► Columbia Watch Party

Columbia Public Library, Friends Room

### ► Fulton Watch Party

Westminster College, Reeves Library, Hazel Room 112  
501 Westminster Avenue, Fulton



### About the Program

*One Read*, coordinated by the Daniel Boone Regional Library, and now in its 24th year, is a community-wide reading program sponsored by a task force of local media and community agencies. The program encourages lifelong learning among adults.

Each winter, the public submits suggestions for next year's book. In January, a panel of community members reviews the suggestions, narrowing that list down to 10 titles, and then chooses two or three books to present for a public vote.



### About the Author

Daniel Mason is a physician and author of "The Piano Tuner" (2002), "A Far Country" (2007), "The Winter Soldier" (2018), "A Registry of My Passage Upon the Earth" (2020) — a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize — and "North Woods" (2023). An assistant professor in the Stanford University Department of Psychiatry, his research and teaching interests include the subjective experience of mental illness and the influence of literature, history and culture on the practice of medicine.

*Biographical info & author photo courtesy of [www.danielmasonbooks.com](http://www.danielmasonbooks.com).*

### About the Book

"North Woods" follows an extraordinary succession of inhabitants of a single house in the woods of New England, exploring the many ways we're connected to our environment and to one another across time, language and space. Beginning with a young couple fleeing their Puritan colony, the book links the stories of an eccentric apple grower and his spinster daughters, a landscape painter, a clairvoyant, a man with schizophrenia and others. Mason expertly employs a range of literary styles, including letters, pulp journalism and speculative fiction, to tell the story of the United States through the lens of a single location. An epic, ambitious and beautiful book.

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## Writing Contest

### One Read Flash Fiction Writing Contest

Enter September 1-26 at [www.dbrl.org/flash-fiction](http://www.dbrl.org/flash-fiction)

Taking inspiration from "North Woods," we invite you to write a story with an emphasis on setting in 250 words or less. Your piece can be set anywhere in time or space, and the tone can be cheerful, pessimistic or anywhere in between, but you must emphasize the setting in a meaningful way.

Winning entries and honorable mentions will be published on [www.dbrl.org/one-read](http://www.dbrl.org/one-read) and in the Columbia Missourian, and winners will receive a \$25 book store gift card. Submit entries September 1-26 online or at any library or bookmobile location. Participants must be age 16 or older and residents of Boone or Callaway Counties.





# Art Exhibit

## Rooted: One Read Art Exhibit

**September 1-15**

Orr Street Studios, 106 Orr Street, Columbia

Gallery open Wednesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Inspired by this year's *One Read* book, Mid-Missouri artists submitted works that explore their connection to place, nature and memory, or home and family history.

## Exhibit Reception

**Friday, September 5 · 6-9 p.m.**

View the exhibit and enjoy live music during the First Friday Art Walk. Winners announced at approximately 6:15 p.m. Adults and teens.



# One Read on 89.5FM / KOPN Radio

## "Rootin' Tootin' Radio"

**Sunday, August 24 · Noon-3 p.m.**

Host **Kevin Walsh** will explore New England history and culture with musical selections and special guests. **Adults.**

## "The Current"

**Wednesday, September 3 · 5-6 p.m.**

Radio hosts **Heather O'Connor** and **Trevor Harris** will be joined by library staff for an in-depth exploration of the themes in this year's book and the programs happening throughout the month of September. **Adults.**

## "Evening Edition"

### The Human Relationship With Nature and the Environment

**Tuesday, September 9 · 6-7 p.m.**

The radio hosts of KOPN's "Evening Edition" will take a look at relationships with nature over time and the different ways humans help and hinder coexistence with a focus on the Northeast. **Adults.**

## "Farm & Fiddle"

**Wednesday, September 17 · 6-7 p.m.**

Tune in for the KOPN program that explores and celebrates rural life, a theme thoroughly present in this year's book! Enjoy a delightful discussion on Osgood's apple orchard approach, chestnut cultivation and farm succession planning. **Adults.**

## "Women's Issues, Women's Voices"

**Monday, September 22 · 6-7 p.m.**

Join the radio hosts of KOPN's "Women's Issues, Women's Voices" collective for a live (and lively!) discussion of this year's book from a feminist perspective. **Adults.**

## "Pringle Midwest Audio Fiction Revival" From Page to Performance

**Saturday, September 27 · 4-6 p.m.**

This live broadcast variety show brings together writers, performers, engineers and enthusiasts to transform documents into engaging audio performances through a short script competition and audio theater workshop. **Adults.**

## First Thursday Book Discussion With Greg Olson



**Thursday, September 4 · Noon-1 p.m.**  
Columbia Public Library  
Children's Program Room

Historian **Greg Olson** will lead a discussion of this year's book. Olson is the author of six books including

"Indigenous Missourians: Ancient Societies to the Present." **Adults.**

## The Art of "North Woods"

**Sunday, September 7 · 2-3 p.m.**  
Museum of Art and Archaeology  
(lower level of Ellis Library), 520 S. 9th St.



Enjoy a panel discussion exploring the topics and setting of this year's *One Read* book. This session will feature several works from the Museum's collection that reflect themes from the book. Enjoy a free docent led-tour of the galleries following the panel discussion. **Adults.**

photo, Museum of Art and Archaeology

## Local Author Panel: A Skylark Bookshop *One Read* Event

**Monday, September 8 · 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
Skylark Bookshop, 22 South 9th St.

Five fantastic local authors will discuss genre, process and place, inspired by this year's *One Read* book. Join us to learn from these authors from across genres and backgrounds: **Lynne Lampe** (poetry), **Phong Nguyen** (historical and experimental fiction), **Jill Orr** (mysteries), **Donald Quist** (nonfiction and short stories) and **Nandor Fox Shaffer** (comics). **Adults.**



## Book Discussion With Mayor Buffaloe

**Tuesday, September 9 · 6-7 p.m.**  
Columbia Public Library,  
Children's Program Room

Be a part of this annual *One Read* tradition as Columbia Mayor **Barbara Buffaloe** and spouse Luke lead a discussion of "North Woods," by Daniel Mason. **Adults.**

## One Read Goes to College

**Wednesday, September 10 · 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
Columbia Public Library, Friends Room



Scholars from each of Columbia's college campuses will discuss "North Woods" — **Dr. Kurt DeBord**, associate professor of psychology at Columbia College; **Dr. Caylin Capra-Thomas**, assistant professor of creative writing at Stephens College; **Dr. Michelle Morris**, professor of history at the University of Missouri; **Joe Marschall**, senior research associate at the MU Center for Tree Ring Science. **Adults.**

## Food Forest Tour With the Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture

**Saturday, September 13 · 10-11 a.m.**  
Columbia's Agriculture Park  
1769 West Ash St.



This year's *One Read* book explores our relationship with the land and cultivation. Learn about growing your own fruit trees and native plants by joining us for a walking tour of CCUA's Food Forest!

CCUA's perennial foodscaping manager, **Matthew Dolan**, will guide you so you can taste, smell, touch and learn to identify what's growing. **All ages.** Register: [www.dbri.org/one-read-event](http://www.dbri.org/one-read-event)



## Free Film: "Days of Heaven"

Sunday, September 14 · 1-3 p.m.  
Ragtag Cinema, 10 Hitt Street

Join us for a screening of Terence Malick's "Days of Heaven." (PG, 94 minutes) Adults.

Pick up free tickets to this show at Ragtag starting at noon the day of the show. For details see Ragtag free event policy at [www.ragtagcinema.org/cinema/policies](http://www.ragtagcinema.org/cinema/policies).

## Two Centuries in Columbia's Oldest Cabin

Wednesday, September 17 · 6-7:30 p.m.  
Boone County History & Culture Center  
3801 Ponderosa St.



The fictional cabin in this year's *One Read* book has centuries of stories to tell. Columbia's oldest surviving building, the Gordon log cabin, has also seen true

tales worthy of a novel. Come hear riveting tales of Columbia's early log cabins. Hear stories that span from Columbia's beginnings to the cabin's move and restoration. Adults and teens. Register: [www.dbri.org/one-read-event](http://www.dbri.org/one-read-event)

## One Read Panel Discussion

Thursday, September 18 · 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Columbia Public Library, Friends Room



Former KFRU host **David Lile** moderates a lively discussion with local experts on themes from this year's *One Read* selection. Panelists will include Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture's **Mallary Lieber**, writer and Columbia College instructor of English **Sarah Parris**, Missouri State Museum Park/Historic Site specialist **Lucas Schwartz** and MU assistant professor of Black studies **Mike Jirik**. Adults.

## A History of Place: A One Read Talk With Historian Brooks Blevins

Tuesday, September 23 · 6-7 p.m.  
Columbia Public Library, Friends Room



Historian and writer **Dr. Brooks Blevins** will examine how the layered history of a single location can reveal deeper truths about culture, memory and change. Learn how rural Missouri communities have evolved over the past 150 years, and explore storytelling, regional identity and the passage of time. Adults.

## Experiencing the Balladry and Soundscape of "North Woods"

Wednesday, September 24 · 6-7 p.m.  
Columbia Public Library, Friends Room

Join **Dr. Megan Murphy**, director of the Budds Center for American Music Studies at the University of Missouri, in exploring the music and sounds of this year's *One Read* book through listening to and interpreting the ballads featured, as well as discussing the soundscape evoked throughout the text. Adults.



## First Thursday Book Discussion: One Read Runner-Up "The Measure"

Thursday, October 2 · Noon-1 p.m.  
Columbia Public Library, Friends Room



**Candace Hulsizer**, owner of Black Tea Bookshop, will lead a discussion of this year's *One Read* runner-up, "The Measure" by Nikki Erlick. In addition to bookselling, Candace is a long-time educator, currently working as director of education for Columbia's City of Refuge. Adults.

## One Read Book Discussion

**Thursday, September 11 · 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
Southern Boone County Public Library, Ashland

Since *One Read* is a community-wide reading program aimed at a diverse audience, reactions to the book selections are diverse, too. And library staff aren't immune to these mixed reactions either. See for yourself at this discussion led by two staff members — one who liked "North Woods" and one who really, really didn't. Join what promises to be a lively discussion! **Adults.**

## Southern Boone Book Club: One Read Runner-Up "The Measure"

**Tuesday, September 16 · 11 a.m.-Noon · 7-8 p.m.**  
Southern Boone County Public Library, Ashland



We're kicking off our new monthly book club with a discussion of this year's *One Read* runner-up, "The Measure" by Nikki Erlick. When every person, all over the globe, receives a small wooden box bearing the same inscription and a single piece of string inside, the world is thrown into a collective frenzy. **Adults.**

# Callaway County

## Crafty Tuesday: Accordion Folders

**Tuesday, September 2**  
**4-5 p.m. · 6-7 p.m.**  
Holts Summit Public Library

Come make an accordion folder which can be used as a mini "junk journal" to keep items like small notes, pictures, movie stubs and more. We drew our inspiration for this project from the variety of found objects — letters, illustrations, and poems — the author used to tell the story of a New England homestead featured in "North Woods." **Adults.** Register: [www.dbri.org/one-read-event](http://www.dbri.org/one-read-event)

## Pastiche the Past Discussion

**Tuesday, September 9 · 4-5 p.m.**  
Center for Human Performance, Room 101  
William Woods University, Fulton



This year's *One Read* book includes lighthearted literary spoofs in the style and spirit of some famous older stories, following in a long literary tradition. WWU English professor **Matt Dube** will help us dig into this pastiche style and ask why writers in their moment want to go back and recreate the past. **Adults.**

## What's Up With Missouri's Weather?: A Talk With Missouri's State Climatologist

**Wednesday, September 17 · 4-5 p.m.**  
Callaway County Public Library, Fulton

Join **Dr. Zack Leasor**, Missouri's State Climatologist, to look at how our climate is changing over time. He'll break down local trends, talk about extreme weather events and explain how all of this affects our environment and daily lives. **Adults.**

## The Pleasures of a Miscellany

**Thursday, September 18 · 7-8 p.m.**  
Center for Human Performance, Room 101  
William Woods University, Fulton

This year's *One Read* book shares a lot of characteristics the literary form called the 'miscellany,' a sort of precursor to modern magazines, zines and websites. Join WWU English professor **Matt Dube** to learn about why people like miscellanies and try your hand at developing your own web-based version. *Bring a laptop.* **Adults.**



# Callaway County, continued

## Prairie Garden Trust Nature Walk

**Saturday, September 20 · 10 a.m.-Noon**  
The Prairie Garden Trust  
8945 County Road 431, New Bloomfield



Get outside and explore the beauty of Missouri's native landscapes on a guided walk through the Prairie Garden Trust. We'll take a leisurely walk through several scenic areas. Wear comfortable shoes, bring water and dress for the weather. **All ages. Register:** [www.dbrl.org/one-read-event](http://www.dbrl.org/one-read-event)

## Snack and Chat Book Discussion

**Tuesday, September 23 · 4-5 p.m.**  
Holts Summit Public Library

Join us at our monthly book discussion meeting to discuss "North Woods." **Adults.**

## Historic Homes of Fulton: A Journey Through Time

**Saturday, September 27 · 11 a.m.-Noon**  
Callaway County Public Library, Fulton

Fulton is home to many historically and architecturally significant houses. Join the Kingdom of Callaway Historical Society for a fascinating presentation on these



homes and the families who lived in them. Get a peek at the styles that defined them and the stories hidden in their walls. **Adults, teens and kids ages 8 and older.**

## One Read in the Columbia Daily Tribune

Each Sunday, September 5-26, the Columbia Daily Tribune will feature an article by Library Associate **Karena Tse** reflecting on a topic or theme in this year's *One Read* selection.

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