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AN EVENING HONORING A. MORRIS WILLIAMS, JR.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025

PARKWAY CENTRAL LIBRARY, PHILADELPHIA

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Join us

for an extraordinary night of celebration and philanthropy at the Free Library of Philadelphia Foundation's annual gala.

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GALA, 6:30-9:00 P.M. • AFTER PARTY, 9:00-11:00 P.M



The evening will honor the remarkable leadership and contributions of **A. Morris Williams, Jr., Emeritus Board Member**, one of the Library's most generous and beloved champions, and will include an exquisite, chef-curated dinner, captivating live entertainment, and an inspiring program that highlights the Foundation's mission and impact on our community.



A spirited After-Party will follow the dinner, set in the breathtaking Skyline Room and Terrace.



Be a part of an evening where stories, celebration, inspiration and giving come together to **illuminate the future** of the Free Library of Philadelphia.



The Free Library of Philadelphia Foundation is an independent, non-profit organization based in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Foundation supports the Free Library of Philadelphia as a hub of learning and opportunity for all Philadelphians, working together to enrich lives through civic dialogue, cultural programs, and community engagement. The Library offers a wide range of services for our youth, adults, and aging population, including computer classes, culinary literacy, job seeker support, senior services, outreach and free programs for our immigrant population, and programs such as One Book, One Philadelphia and Read by 4th. It also oversees The Rosenbach Library and Museum, Author Events, and special exhibitions.



With 54 locations plus The Rosenbach Museum and Library, the Free Library of Philadelphia fulfills its mission by offering access to millions of digital and physical resources, 25,000 yearly programs and services, free public computers, extensive Wi-Fi, and neighborhood Hotspots. The Library has an extraordinary, unparalleled array of Special Collections, which receive international acclaim along with requests for tours. Additionally, there are millions of annual in-person and online visits, placing the Free Library and The Rosenbach among the most widely used educational and cultural institutions in Philadelphia, with a reach that extends worldwide.



The Free Library of Philadelphia Foundation has funded 154 programs across 54 locations, benefiting over 2.2 million people.



While the City of Philadelphia funds the Library's facilities and infrastructure, it is the Foundation that raises the necessary funds to support the critically important programs and community resources that are so valued by our residents—these are only possible only through private support. All funds raised by the Foundation sustain the Library's mission to advance literacy, guide learning, and inspire curiosity throughout the city.

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Free Library of Philadelphia Foundation is to provide resources and advocacy to advance the Library's mission, while stewarding and promoting its special collections for the benefit of Philadelphians and beyond.

OUR VISION

Our vision is to foster an enlightened community devoted to lifelong learning.

OUR GOALS

Build a Culture of Literacy in Philadelphia

Author Events
Culinary Literacy Center (CLC) • Read by 4th

Promote Connection Within the Community

Central Senior Services
One Book, One Philadelphia • Read by 4th

Embrace Creativity and Innovation

Exhibitions • Special Collections

Promote Diversity and Inclusion

Culinary Literacy Center (CLC)
Business Resource and Innovation Center (BRIC)

Close the Academic Opportunity Gap

Literacy Enrichment Afterschool Program (LEAP)
Literacy in Early Learning Spaces (LiELS)

Bridge the Digital Divide for Our Residents

Computer Classes • Online Learning

PRESENTING sponsor \$100,000

- Exclusive title-sponsor recognition with logo included on all event branding
- Tickets to the Gala for 40 guests including the After-Party
- Premium tables for 40 guests
- Invitation for 20 guests to the pre-gala VIP Cocktail Hour
- Speaking opportunity during the event program
- 20 tickets to a 2025 Author Event private reception
- Digital logo recognition prominently featured on the Free Library's website and social media platforms for 4 months leading up to the Gala and 2 months following
- Digital logo recognition on a continuous video screen loop throughout the event and during the speaking program
- Printed logo recognition on the event invitation, sponsor 'Thank You' and menu signage
- 2 hour private behind-the-scenes tour of the Free Library for 10 guests

LITERARY LUMINARY sponsor \$50,000

- Tickets to the Gala for 20 guests including the After-Party
- Premium tables for 20 guests
- Invitation for 10 guests to the pre-gala VIP Cocktail Hour
- Speaking opportunity during the event program
- 10 tickets to a 2025 Author Event private reception
- Digital logo recognition prominently featured on the Free Library's website and social media platforms for 4 months leading up to the Gala and 2 months following
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MASTERPIECE sponsor \$25,000

- Tickets to the Gala for 10 guests including the After-Party
- Premium table for 10 guests
- Invitation for 5 guests to the pre-gala VIP Cocktail Hour
- 5 tickets to a 2025 Author Event private reception
- Digital logo recognition prominently featured on the Free Library's website and social media platforms for 3 months leading up to the Gala and 1 month following
- Digital logo recognition on a continuous video screen loop throughout the event and during the speaking program
- Printed logo recognition on sponsor 'Thank You' signage
- 1 hour private behind-the-scenes tour of the Free Library for 10 guests

STORYTELLER sponsor \$15,000

- Tickets to the Gala for 10 guests including the After-Party
- Premium table for 10 guests
- Invitation for 5 guests to the pre-gala VIP Cocktail Hour
- 5 tickets to a 2025 Author Event private reception
- Digital logo recognition prominently featured on the Free Library's website and social media platforms for 1 month leading up to the Gala and 2 weeks following
- Digital logo recognition on a continuous video screen loop throughout the event and during the speaking program
- Printed logo recognition on sponsor 'Thank You' signage

CHAPTER sponsor \$10,000

- Tickets to the Gala for 10 guests including the After-Party
- Table seating for 10 guests
- Invitation for 5 guests to the pre-gala VIP Cocktail Hour
- 5 tickets to a 2025 Author Event private reception
- Digital logo recognition prominently featured on the Free Library's website and social media platforms for 1 month leading up to the Gala and 2 weeks following
- Digital logo recognition on a continuous video screen loop throughout the event and during the speaking program
- Printed logo recognition on sponsor 'Thank You' signage

PROLOGUE sponsor \$5,000

- Tickets to the Gala for 5 guests including the After Party
- Table seating for 5 guests
- Digital logo recognition on a continuous video screen loop throughout the event and during the speaking program
- Printed logo recognition on sponsor 'Thank You' signage

SINGLE ticket \$600

- Includes After-Party

AFTER-party \$150

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