



2015 TBS ART GALLERY COMPETITION

This year, 33 students between the ages of 6 and 20 from around the state participated in the TBS Art Gallery competition. There were three age groups and a first, second, and third place winner in each category. One special piece of art was selected by Leesa Benggio-Aiken for the State Librarian Award.



DJ PEAKE



TEXTURE CAT

This artwork will be permanently

exhibited at the State Library. This year, DJ Peake, age 9, won with his collage of paper, seeds and rice entitled "Texture Cat".

DJ is a student at the South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind. In addition to winning the State Librarian Award, he also won second place in his age group of 6 to 10 year olds. DJ was very proud of his accomplishment as he demonstrated when he held his trophy in the air and proudly displayed it for all to see.

TBS ART GALLERY 2015 WINNERS

Ages 6—10

First place: Ca'mayra Boulware, age 9, for a collage of a sail boat.

Second place: DJ Peake, age 9, for his collage of seeds and rice entitled "Texture Cat".

Third place: Jose Matero, age 7, for his picture created with various tactile papers entitled "The Dog".

Ages 11 – 15

First place: Dylan Gregory, age 13, for his collage on stretched canvas entitled "Happy".

Second place: Will McDonald, age 14, for his collage on stretched canvas entitled "Shine".

Third place: Brookelynn Raulerson, age 12, for her painting using tempera and acrylic paints.

Ages 16 and up

First place: Shelby Craig, age 19, for her ceramic work of a frog entitled "Say Ahhhh."

Second place: Kaitlyn Wilson, age 17, for her collage entitled "Night Owl".

Third place: Katie Roache, age 17, for her water color and pastel picture entitled "Sunset Woods".

Honorable mentions: Jeremiah Lairson, Perrin Whelchel, Landon Lipsey, Elijah Gregory, Sarah Nell Walling, Chase Hanna, Keilyn Bello, Damien Custer, Zion Johnson, and Kayla Kaufman.

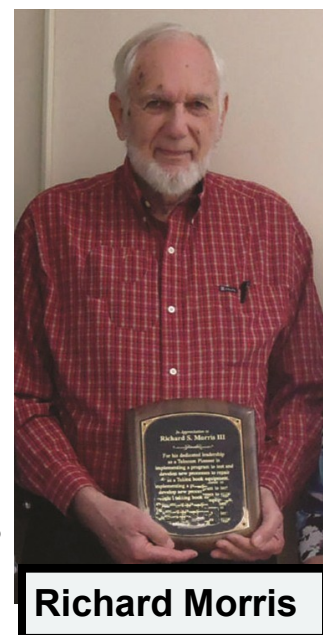
VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

On April 8, Talking Book Services hosted the annual volunteer appreciation luncheon to recognize the many hours and work the volunteers put in to recording projects, repairing talking book equipment and much more! We were proud to honor 49 volunteers who contributed almost 1,400 hours of service to the library.

In the past year, the recording program received some upgrades, including new recording software. The quality of our recordings is better making it possible for us to begin putting our local recordings on the BARD site for nationwide availability. We currently have 43 South Carolina recordings on BARD. We have 25 book narrators and reviewers who assist us with our recording projects.

Other volunteers help in the mail room, provide help to the Reader Advisors and weed our collections of outdated cassette and digital books. In the past year, The Telecom Pioneer group repaired over 700 digital and cassette machines.

Richard S. Morris, III, a Telecom Pioneer, was recognized for his outstanding achievement in the equipment repair program. He has used his technical skills and knowledge to develop and refine procedures to repair equipment even creating a repair manual that any equipment repair volunteer could use. Richard's father created the South Carolina Pioneer program and Richard must have inherited the "talking book machine repair gene" from him. Richard was presented with a plaque recognizing his achievements just as his father was in 1992.



Richard Morris

BARD APP FOR ANDROID DEVICES



Finally! It's not just for Apple devices anymore! The BARD Mobile application for Android devices is now available at the Google Play store. (Search "BARD mobile")

The BARD Mobile app enables TBS patrons to download audio books and audio magazines directly to their Android devices, provided they have BARD accounts and are using devices running Android OS 4.1 or later. (NOTE: not available for Kindle Fire at this time).

Android devices have pre-installed accessibility features that make BARD Mobile accessible to visually impaired individuals. These features, such as TalkBack and magnification gestures, help you better navigate your device and BARD Mobile.

TalkBack is a screen reader for blind and visually impaired users. It is provided by Google and uses spoken feedback to describe the results of gestures—what you touch, select, and activate.

Gestures used to operate BARD Mobile using TalkBack are different from the gestures used to operate BARD Mobile without it. They are based on the Explore by Touch system. For example, slowly drag one finger around the screen to move focus. As you explore the device in this manner, TalkBack will announce the buttons and icons you pass and where focus is fixed. To select the focused item, double-tap on the screen. You can also simply swipe up or down, or left or right, to focus on a particular item and hear what icons and buttons are on the

screen.

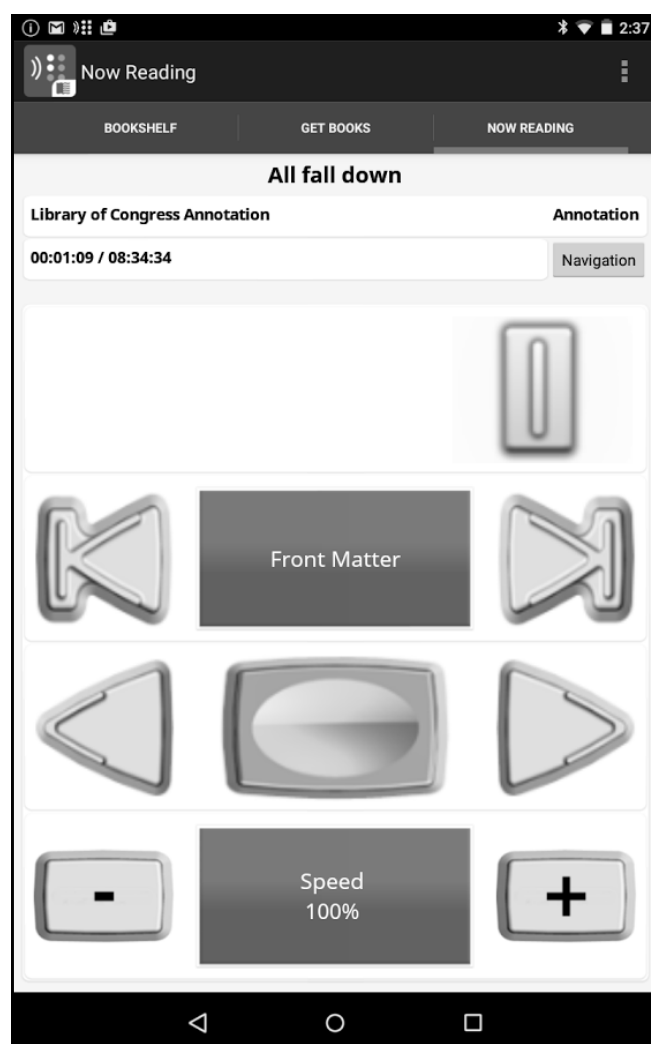
Explore by Touch is automatically enabled when TalkBack is turned on and, unless otherwise noted, standard TalkBack gestures should be applied if you use TalkBack to interact with BARD Mobile.

Magnification gestures is an accessibility feature that allows you to temporarily magnify what is on your screen. This feature is turned on through your device's accessibility settings. It will not affect gestures used to operate BARD Mobile and works with TalkBack.

Along with TalkBack and magnification gestures, your Android device may have additional accessibility features and options to select. Please refer to your device user guide, or visit the Android Accessibility Help page by searching “android accessibility” in Google.

To activate TalkBack or magnification gestures on your device, go to your device's Settings then choose Accessibility.

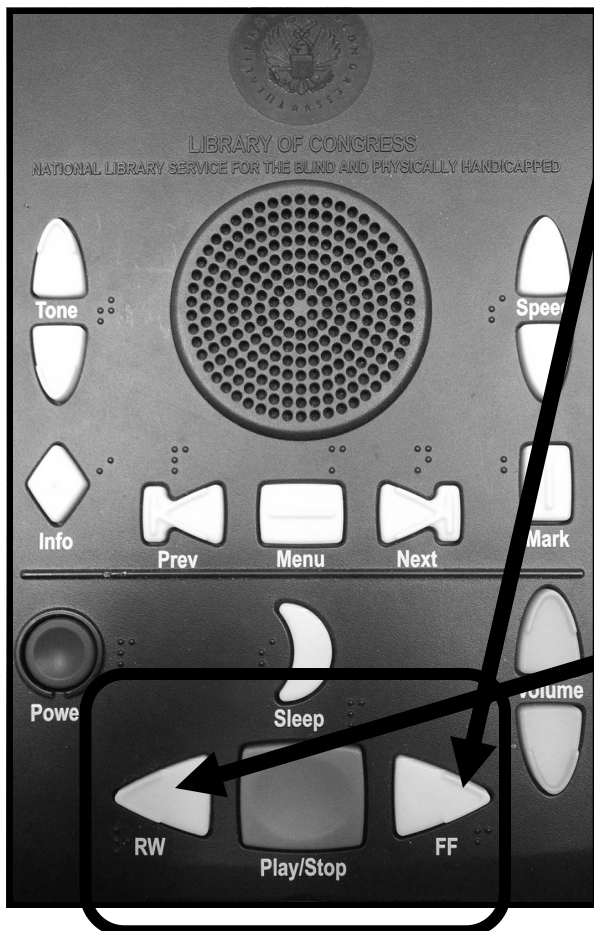
Once BARD mobile is installed on your Android device, the user guide is available from the bookshelf section.



Bookshelf Feature Quick Guide

The bookshelf feature is for use when navigating a digital cartridge that contains more than one book or magazine.

- Turn the player on by pressing the red, round Power button on the left-hand side of the top of the player.
- Insert a cartridge into the player.
- Press and hold the Play/Stop button until you hear it say “bookshelf”. The player will announce the number of books or magazines on the cartridge.



● Press the Fast-Forward button until you hear the title of the book or magazine issue you wish to read. To the left of the Play/Stop button is the Rewind button. The Rewind button is light gray and triangular shaped with raised edges pointing left.

● Press the Rewind button to navigate back through the titles until you hear the one you wish to read.

● Press the Play/Stop button after you hear the title of the book or magazine issue you wish to read.

**SPEAKER AT THE CENTER
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**Noon—1:00 PM
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Wednesday, September 23, 2015

Bernie Schein, *Famous All Over Town*

A comically candid novel of the small-town south, rampant with revelations from bedrooms, courtrooms, and all points in between.

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

S. Jane Gari, *Losing the Dollhouse*

Offers a slice of dysfunctional Americana complete with divorce, step-families, eating disorders, mental illness and the search for true love.

Wednesday, November 18, 2015

Ellen Malphrus, *Untying the Moon*

A road trip in a '67 Skylark convertible through blood and bone places in search of the redemptive possibilities of love and home.

Wednesday, December 9, 2015

Angela Williams, *Hush Now, Baby*

The story of how a little white girl climbed out of an uneasy childhood in the segregated South...on the backbone of a black woman who loved her unabashedly.

Books will be available for purchase and autographing. All programs will take place from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the South Carolina State Library located at 1500 Senate St., Columbia. Speaker @ the Center is FREE and open to the public. Feel free to bring your lunch.

New in Large Print

- LP 22135 Double Fudge Brownie Murders by Joanne Fluke
(cozy mystery)
- LP 22136 A Spool of Blue Thread by Anne Tyler (general fiction)
- LP 22137 The Stranger by Harlan Coben (mystery and detective)
- LP 22138 The Patriot Threat by Steve Berry (mystery and
detective)
- LP 22139 The Angel Court Affair by Anne Perry (British mystery)
- LP 22140 Mightier Than the Sword by Jeffrey Archer (fiction)
- LP 22141 Prodigal Son by Danielle Steel (family fiction)
- LP 22142 Good Call: Reflections on Faith, Family and Fowl by
Jase Robertson (inspirational)
- LP 22143 The Kindness Diaries: One Man's Quest to Ignite
Goodwill and Transform Lives Around the World by
Leon Logothetis (self-help)
- LP 22144 The Girl with the Dachsund Tatoo by Sparkle Abbey
(cozy mystery)
- LP 22145 Counting Emily: Wells Landing book 2 by Amy Lillard
(amish fiction)
- LP 22146 Jam on the Vine by Lashonda Katrice Barnett (African-
American fiction)
- LP 22147 The Way You Love Me by Donna Hill (African-American
fiction)
- LP 22148 Beyond the Sunrise by Mary Balogh (historical
romance)

DESCRIPTIVE DVDS

Talking Books offers a selection of Descriptive DVDs for its blind and visually impaired patrons. On a special audio track on the film, a narrator describes action, characters, locations, costumes and sets without interfering with the dialogue or sound effects.

Recently added DVDs:

- DW00221 Muppets Most Wanted (PG)
- DW00223 Captain America: the Winter Soldier (PG-13)
- DW00224 The Fault in Our Stars (PG-13)
- DW00225 Maleficent (PG)
- DW00226 Heaven is for Real (PG)
- DW00229 Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13)
- DW00230 Noah (PG-13)
- DW00231 X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG-13)
- DW00232 How to Train Your Dragon 2 (PG)
- DW00235 Divergent (PG-13)

To receive an up-to-date bibliography of the large print books or Descriptive DVDS in our collection, please call the library at 1-800-922-7818 or 803-734-4611.

AUDIO BOOKS ONLY ON DIGITAL CARTRIDGE

AS OF JULY 1, NO MORE CASSETTE BOOKS WILL BE SENT OUT. IF YOU STILL HAVE YOUR LARGE YELLOW CASSETTE PLAYER, YOU MAY RETURN IT TO US FOR PROPER DISPOSAL.

ALL AUDIO BOOKS ARE ONLY AVAILBLE ON DIGITAL CARTRIDGE OR BY DOWNLOADING FROM BARD FOR PLAYING IN YOUR DIGITAL PLAYER OR OTHER APPROVED PLAYBACK EQUIPMENT.

DONATIONS

Since July 1, 2014, we received over \$16,000 in donations as memorials or outright gifts. This is an amazing sum. The money is used to enhance the services we provide in a variety of ways. We appreciate the generosity of those that give and we miss those patrons who have been honored with memorials. Remember that all donations are considered a charitable donation and therefore tax deductible. When making a donation, please include the address of those to be notified for memorials or donations in honor of a special occasion or person.

The donations are used to help us better serve our patrons. In this same time period, we have added a few hundred large print books, many descriptive videos, celebrated the work of our many volunteers and rewarded visually impaired students who entered our Art Gallery competition.

Donations can be sent to Talking Book Services, S.C. State Library, P.O. Box 821, Columbia, SC 29202. **Donations are used to enhance and improve library services.** Please make checks payable to SCSL/Talking Book Services.



We would like to thank the following people for their generous donations:

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“Thank you for the Talking Book Services for my husband. He was blind and 100% disabled from service in Vietnam and exposure to Agent Orange.”

“Just a note of thanks and appreciation to all of you. Our mother loved books and was an avid reader until the sight failed.”

“Our father recently passed away and we wanted to express our gratitude to you for your talking book program. Our dad has always been an avid reader and losing his eyesight gradually over the years was indeed a great loss. Your book program made new literature possible for him and provided him with many hours of pleasure.”

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