



## 5. Provide literacy support for all ages.

BCPL provides literacy support for all ages through various programs and services.

BCPL offers the most programming targeting early literacy and youth literacy. They host the Parent/Child Workshop two times per year. Take Your Child to the Library Day is held annually to encourage families to visit the library together. BCPL conducts the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program. Backpacks for the program are available in English and Spanish. Every week is Toddler Time which incorporates play, stories, and bilingual songs and fingerplays.

Library Staff offered an "Early Literacy at the Library" presentation at a local pre-school. Free children's books were given away at the pre-school presentation.

The library subscribes to Mango Languages and Transparent Language.

BCPL conducts a Summer Reading Program annually at each branch. The library follows the CSLP theme. This year, the staff created an art piece using the library motto "DISCOVER" that was installed at the beginning of the summer program.

Each month, the library hosts an adult book club. BCPL also participates in Gulf Coast Reads. This year we hosted a Zoom with one of the authors, T.I. Lowe. Online Author Talks were also added to bring virtual access to more author visits.

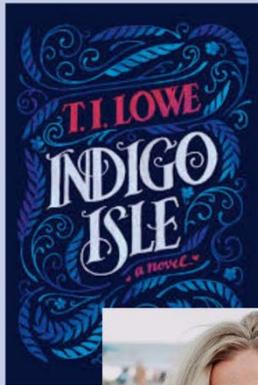
New this year, the library added Career Online High School with two students completing the program in less than six months. The library hosted a full graduation ceremony in September.



**First graduate of BCPL's Career Online High School.**



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# ZOOM VISIT WITH AUTHOR T.I. LOWE

Thursday

November 9, 2023

2:00 pm

<https://bit.ly/bcpl-tilowe>

About the book:

Sonny Bates left South Carolina fifteen years ago and never looked back. Now she's a successful Hollywood location scout who travels the world, finding perfect places for movie shoots. Home is wherever she lands, and between her busy schedule and dealing with her boss's demands, she has little time to think about the past . . . until her latest gig lands her a stone's throw from everything she left behind.

About the author:

T. I. Lowe is an ordinary country girl who loves to tell extraordinary stories. She is the author of nearly twenty published novels, including her recent bestselling and critically acclaimed novel, *Under the Magnolias*, and her debut breakout, *Lulu's Café*. She lives with her husband and family in coastal South Carolina.

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**Zoom with book club author**

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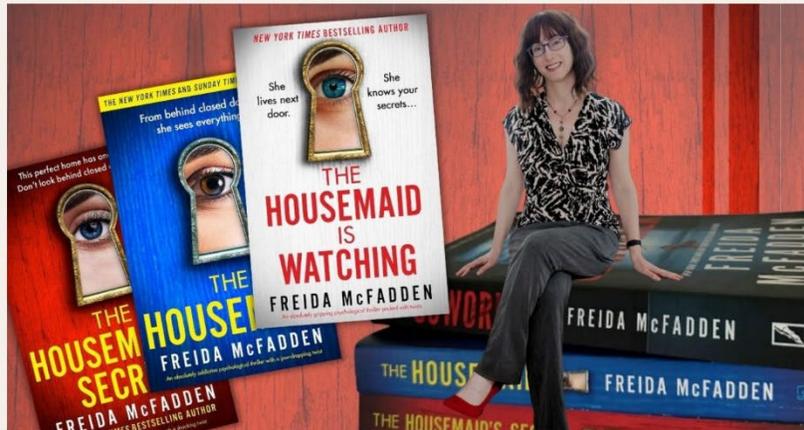
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**Staff Art Piece to celebrate Adventure Begins at Your Library**