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Library participates in global eBook club

COLUMBUS—Columbus Metropolitan Library is participating in [The Big Library Read](#), a digital book club set on a global scale to introduce and connect as many passionate readers as possible to eBooks. The program allows owners of digital eReader devices – and holders of CML library cards – to instantly download a specific eBook or eAudiobook with no waits or holds. Starting Tuesday, June 9 and ending Tuesday, June 23, *Eyes on You* by Kate White will be the featured title.

Thousands of FREE library eBooks are waiting to be downloaded by CML customers at columbuslibrary.org. As CML continues to focus on its expansive and constantly growing collection of digital items, library staff members are eager to help customers learn how to use their eReaders and guide them through the process of downloading items to their devices.

In 2014, CML customers downloaded more than 1 million digital items – with numbers trending upward in 2015.

Columbus Metropolitan Library has served the people of Franklin County, Ohio for 142 years. With its Main Library and 21 branches, CML is well known for signature services and programs like Homework Help Centers, Reading Buddies, Summer Reading Club and the Ready to Read Corps. The library's Strategic Plan supports the vision of "a thriving community where wisdom prevails," which positions CML to respond to areas of urgent need: kids unprepared for kindergarten, third grade reading proficiency, high school graduation, college readiness and employment resources.

CML was named a 2011 National Medal Winner by the Institute for Museum and Library Services for work in community service, the highest honor for libraries and museums. In 2014, Columbus Metropolitan Library became the only large public library in the country to be rated a 5-Star Library for all seven years of Library Journal's industry standards rating program.

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