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Changing Our World One Author at a Time

The Power of Words: Changing Our World, One Author at a Time is a biennial partnership between The Friends of the Library and Monroe County Public Library to create a visible community of readers by hosting an author writing on important topics of our time—and more specifically, topics that speak to the average citizen's ability to positively change the world in which we live. Join in the community of Monroe County readers sharing and discussing award-winning author Jacqueline Woodson's works. Engage in two months of related programming dedicated to celebrating Black voices, and to bringing awareness to the range of experiences of people of color in the United States and an understanding of common human values that we all share.

Featured Event



The Power of Words: An Evening with Jacqueline Woodson

Hear from internationally acclaimed and award-winning author [Jacqueline Woodson](#), who gives voice to African American life through more than 30 books, ranging from children's picture books to young adult literature to adult novels. Woodson's compelling stories focus on race, gender, and sexuality with characters who face challenges in powerful tales that are laced with hope.

All ages

Saturday, February 5

7–8:15 PM

Buskirk-Chumley Theater, 114 E. Kirkwood Avenue, Bloomington

The Power of Words: Gala Author Reception

[Downtown Library](#) | [812-349-3050](tel:812-349-3050)

303 E. Kirkwood Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47408

[Ellettsville Branch](#) | [812-876-1272](tel:812-876-1272)

Enjoy premium reserved seating to the free Power of Words Talk, then meet Jacqueline Woodson to get your book signed. Enjoy champagne and hors d'oeuvres created by Chef Lee Rosser while taking in the Our Voice exhibit at the Downtown Library. Reception tickets are \$55. All proceeds benefit the Power of Words. Ticket sales are coming soon.

All ages

Saturday, February 5

8:30–10 PM

Downtown Library Atrium & Gallery

All Power of Words Programming

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