



## East Baton Rouge Parish Library

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### **LIBRARY'S FLAMIN' FINALE "THE BIG READ: ONE BOOK/ ONE COMMUNITY PROGRAM"**

The Library will conclude its second annual, community-wide reading program, *The Big Read: One Book/One Community*, with a Flamin' Finale on Thursday, April 10 at the Magnolia Performing Arts Pavilion on the campus of Baton Rouge Community College, 5310 Florida Boulevard. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with a fiery reception and the showing of François Truffaut's film version of *Fahrenheit 451* at 6:30 p.m.

Truffaut is considered to be one of the most popular and successful French film directors of his time. *Fahrenheit 451* was his first and only English language film. It features Oskar Werner, who plays the fireman with a conscience, Guy Montag and Julie Christie who takes on two roles as Linda Montag, Guy's wife, and Clarisse, the teenage girl who changes Guy's life.

Following the film, audience members will participate in an open discussion about the themes raised in *Fahrenheit 451*, led by a panel of community leaders including Chancellor, Dr. Myrtle E. B. Dorsey, Baton Rouge Community College; Linda Lightfoot, former Executive Editor, *The Advocate*; Julio Melara, Publisher, *225 Magazine*; Eddie Ashworth, President, Louisiana Technology Park; and Dr. Valerie Holliday-Professor, New Media Analysis, Baton Rouge Community College.

*The Big Read: One Book/One Community* is sponsored by The Big Read, the East Baton Rouge Parish Library, and The Baton Rouge Area Chamber. The Big Read is an initiative

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of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest. Additional funding for this program has been provided by the Farnbacher Memorial Fund of the Baton Rouge Area Foundation.

The Library and the Baton Rouge Area Chamber have partnered with libraries, school systems, religious and community organizations, and key leaders of industry and commerce throughout the nine-parish area—Ascension Parish, East Feliciana Parish, East Baton Rouge Parish, Iberville Parish, Livingston Parish, Point Coupee Parish, St. Helena Parish, West Baton Rouge Parish, and West Feliciana Parish—to implement this comprehensive program.

For more information, call (225) 231-3710 or visit [www.ReadOneBook.org](http://www.ReadOneBook.org).

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