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Hoopla Highlights from the Library

Natchitoches, LA, January 27, 2021 – The Natchitoches Parish Library (NPL) is your go-to place for no cost entertainment! Whether you use the library's physical services or online checkout options, all Natchitoches Parish residents have access to a free library card, opening a world of possibilities. An NPL card gives patrons access to check-out online, anytime, via the Hoopla app. Now that you know how to access thousands of books, movies, tv shows, comics, music, and audio-books to download or stream, here are a few highlights.

"The Queen's Gambit," (e-Audiobook) by Scarlett Walter Tevis, read by Amy Landon: Engaging and fast-paced, this gripping coming-of-age novel of chess, feminism, and addiction speeds to a conclusion as elegant and satisfying as a mate in four.

Eight-year-old orphan Beth Harmon is quiet, sullen, and by all appearances unremarkable. That is, until she plays her first game of chess. Her senses grow sharper, her thinking clearer, and for the first time in her life she feels herself fully in control. By the age of sixteen, she is competing for the US Open championship. But as Beth hones her skills on the professional circuit, the stakes get higher, her isolation grows more frightening, and the thought of escape becomes all the more tempting.

"Little Italy" (2018 Movie, R), starring Hayden Christensen and Emma Roberts: The director of "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days" and "Miss Congeniality" cooks up a sizzling comedy about two lifelong pals whose romance is threatened by their parents' rival pizzerias.

"Before the Coffee Gets Cold," (e-Book) by Toshikazu Kawaguchi: What would you change if you could travel back in time?

Down a small alleyway in the heart of Tokyo, there is an underground café that's been serving carefully brewed coffee for over a hundred years. Local legend says that this shop offers its customers something else besides coffee-the chance to travel back in time.

The rules, however, are far from simple: you must sit in one particular seat, and you can't venture outside the café, nor can you change the present. And, most important, you only have the time it takes to drink a hot cup of coffee-or risk getting stuck forever.

Over the course of one summer, four customers visit the café in the hopes of traveling to another time: a heartbroken lover looking for closure, a nurse with a mysterious letter from her husband, a waitress hoping to say one last goodbye and a mother whose child she may never get the chance to know.

Heartwarming, wistful and delightfully quirky, "Before the Coffee Gets Cold" explores the intersecting lives of four women who come together in one extraordinary café, where the service may not be quick, but the opportunities are endless.

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Knowledge. Connection. Community. The Natchitoches Parish Library serves the public and community through its competent and friendly staff by providing services and programs aimed at meeting the informational, recreational, and educational needs of our patrons. We seek to provide a beneficial and usable collection of information and activities to connect Natchitoches Parish residents to the world.