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The Local Author Expo Application has more information on requirements, deadlines, expo dates and other services offered to local authors.

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- Authors must bring their own books to sell and will be responsible for all sales (types of currency accepted, sales taxes, change, etc).
- Authors must be residents of the Southwest Michigan region (Counties included: Kalamazoo, Berrien, Branch, Cass, Calhoun)
- Books must have first publication dates of 2015 or later.
- Authors who have had prior Portage District Library Expo/presentation/signing events will not be eligible to participate in an Expo for the same book.
- Each participating author must email an event invitation (to be provided by Portage District Library) to 25 people in the area, or provide the library with a list of 25 email addresses to be used for the same purpose.
- Portage District Library will publicize each Expo through other channels (posters, e-newsletters, email blasts, press releases and social media, or some subset of these).
- The Portage District Library will provide tables, refreshments, and library staff dedicated to the event.
- There will be no charge for the authors or for those attending.
- The Portage District Library would be pleased to add a donated copy of your book to its collection.

Participation in Local Author Expo is by application only. Please complete and return the attached application (page 3) by the appropriate deadline (see page 1), care of:

Jessica Enget
jenget@portagelibrary.info
Portage District Library
300 Library Lane
Portage, MI 49002
(269) 585-8711
Please fill out the following information and email it to Jessica Enget at jenget@portagelibrary.info by the due date (see page 1). Printed forms may be returned to Jessica Enget at the Portage District Library, 300 Library Lane, Portage, MI 49002. With questions, email Jessica or call her at (269) 585-8711.

Name: __________________________________________ Phone: ______________________________
Email: ______________________________ Website: ______________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________________
City: ______________________________ State: _____________ Zip: _____________________
Book Title: _______________________________________________________________________
(Please email a jpg of the book cover and/or one of the author to jenget@portagelibrary.info)
Publish date: ____________________________________________ (Must be 2015 to 2017)
Published by: _____________________________________________________________________
Book Format(s) ______ Hardcover ______ Paperback ______ eBook ______ Audiobook
Price you will charge at the local author showcase for your book: __________________________
Methods of payment accepted (check all that apply):
_______Cash _______Check _______Credit Card
Book Synopsis: __________________________________________________________________

Brief Author Bio: __________________________________________________________________

I have attached 25 email addresses where the showcase invitation may be sent ______
Please send me the e-invite and I will email it to 25 people ______
Signed: _________________________________ Date: _________________________________

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