

Flannery O'Connor

Mary Flannery O'Connor was born in Savannah, Georgia in 1925. Her parents moved to Milledgeville, Georgia in 1940. When her father died in 1941, O'Connor and her mother remained in Milledgeville on their family farm, Andalusia (now a museum dedicated to her writings). O'Connor attended Peabody High School, then entered the Georgia State College for Women (now Georgia College and State University) on an accelerated three-year program. She graduated from Georgia State in June, 1945 with a social sciences degree.

In 1946 O'Connor attended the prestigious Iowa Writers Workshop at the University of Iowa. After receiving an M.A. from Iowa in 1947, O'Connor toiled for a brief time at an artists community in Sarasota Springs, New York. She then moved in with Robert Fitzgerald (a renowned translator of the early classics) and his wife at their home in Ridgefield, Connecticut.

O'Connor is primarily known for her short stories, although two of her novels are published: *Wise Blood* (1952), made into a film by John Huston, and *The Violent Bear It Away* (1960). Many of her writings have been published. O'Connor's texts usually take place in the South, and revolve around morally flawed characters who frequently interact with people with disabilities (or are themselves disadvantaged). In the summer of 1952, O'Connor was diagnosed with systemic lupus (the same disease her father had). She died on August 3, 1964 in the Baldwin County Hospital near Milledgeville.

Essay by Bill Lounsbury

KRL has the Collected Works of Flannery O'Connor and other books as well as the DVD of Wise Blood.

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New Library Hours – Since June 1st

Monday	10 am – 7 pm	New
Tuesday	10 am – 7 pm	New
Wednesday	10 am – 7 pm	New
Thursday	1 pm – 5 pm	
Friday	10 am – 5 pm	
Saturday	10 am – 4 pm	
Sunday	closed, but Port Orchard is open 1 – 5 pm	

🌱 Plant sale continues on the library sidewalk 🌸

stop by and check out the plants for your garden.

BOOK WORMS (monthly, 7 pm)

On Monday, On July 15, we discuss *The Triumph of Seeds* by Thor Hanson. On August 19, *The Signature of All Things* by Elizabeth Gilbert.

Technology

Drop In Tech Help every Friday, 2:00-3:30 pm

Bring your device and your questions for one-on-one help from the library staff. All Ages

ONGOING BOOK SALE: Pre-owned books are ON SALE every day during normal library hours: currently featuring a large collection of **quilting books and patterns**.

Qa'Qad Stormwater Park Events – All Ages

Thursday, July 4th, 1:30 pm **Pet Parade & Ice Cream**

Friday, July 12th 2:30–3:30 pm: **Instrument Petting Zoo**

Have fun listening, touching, playing and learning about musical instruments from the musicians who play them.

Friday, July 19th 2:30–3:30 pm: **Gansango Music & Dance**

This interactive performance will entertain and educate, blending contemporary and traditional West African dance with drumming.

Burke Mobile: I Spy Sciences Grades PK -2

Wednesday, July 17th, 11 am – Noon

Become a biologist and discover how plants and animals work together in a simple ecosystem. Examine real bird and insect specimens with educators from the Burke Museum as we take a closer look at the natural world.

Father's Day Salmon Bake & Book Sale:



720 Meals Served
over \$10,000 raised

Thank you Manchester !!

