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On November 10, Erika Allen gave the Common Read keynote address to an audience of 325 people in the Centennial Student Union Ballroom. The evening’s event was one of 14 unique Common Read programs offered during the fall semester. Ms. Allen is the National Projects Director of Growing Power, Inc., and is responsible for teaching sustainable urban farming as well as running eight farm sites in the Chicago area.

BOOK SUGGESTIONS NEEDED FOR THE 2017 COMMON READ

Minnesota State University, Mankato’s Common Read Planning Group needs your help to create a list of books to explore for the 2017 Common Read. In conjunction with the upcoming 150th anniversary of the University, the Common Read is looking specifically for books that have a Minnesota State University, Mankato or Minnesota connection. Participate in a short survey to suggest a book for the 2017 Common Read at http://link.mnsu.edu/suggest.

STREAMING VIDEO AVAILABLE AT YOUR LIBRARY

The Library now provides access to more than 10,000 streaming video titles for our faculty and students. These titles include documentaries, feature films, ethnographies, primary source material, and much more. Streaming video resources at Minnesota State Mankato include Docuseek2, Kanopy Streaming, and Alexander Street Press.

Docuseek2 (http://docuseek2.com/mnsu) is a package of unique content from several leading distributors of independent, documentary, social issues, health, and educational video. Docuseek2 offers almost 700 video titles for viewing. Film companies in Docuseek2 are Bullfrog, Icarus, Fanlight, National Film Board of Canada, Collective Eye, Kartemquin, Degenerate, and Terra Nova Films. These videos include such well-known titles as The Loving Story, Baboon Tales, and King Corn. New titles are added throughout the year.

Kanopy Streaming (http://mnsu.kanopystreaming.com/) offers more than 10,000 videos from 100+ companies such as Media Education Foundation, Documentary Educational Resources, New Day Films, PBS, BBC Educational, Criterion Collection, Kino Lorber, and First Run titles. Some well-known titles available through Kanopy include Killing Us Softly 4 and Tough Guise 2. California Newsreel’s popular Race: Power of an Illusion is also available. Check Kanopy’s listings often because new films and distributors are added frequently.

Ethnographic Videos Online, Counseling and Therapy on video (volume 1), Dance in Video, and Theatre in Video packages are available through Alexander Street Press (http://libguides.mnsu.edu/c.php?g=385218&p=2611957). These video titles can also be accessed through the Library Catalog.

For more information about Docuseek2, Kanopy Streaming, and Alexander Street Press, see the Video LibGuide at http://libguides.mnsu.edu/video. For questions about these resources contact Barb Bergman, Media Services Librarian, at 507-389-5945 or barbara.bergman@mnsu.edu.
ARE YOU AN MSU AUTHOR?

The MSU Authors Collection is a special collection within the Library that highlights the intellectual heritage of the University and the contributions of Minnesota State Mankato faculty, staff, students, and alumni to contemporary scholarship. Included in the collection are books, monographs and scores that were authored, co-authored, compiled, edited/co-edited, translated, or illustrated by Minnesota State Mankato faculty, staff, students, and alumni.

Every two years, the Library honors faculty and staff publications at the MSU Authors Reception. The next reception will be in spring 2016. If you have published (authored and/or edited) books, scores, etc. since March 2014, we would like to hear from you. Please contact the University Archives at (507) 389-1029 or archives@mnsu.edu, so we can add you to our list of honorees.

Additional information about the MSU Authors Collection and previous receptions can be found online at: http://lib.mnsu.edu/archives/authors/intro.html

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS MEET WITH DOROTHY VAN NORMAN

On October 13, retired teacher, alumna, and Library donor Dorothy Van Norman met with three scholarship winners to learn how her scholarship (Dorothy Van Norman Scholarship) has helped them further their education goals and to hear their stories. Standing left to right are Kalee Fuller, Joey Cheam, Dorothy Van Norman and Babie Mao. Library Services welcomes donations to the Dorothy Van Norman Scholarship. To make a donation go to https://alumni.mnsu.edu/giving, and select to support Library Services. Then press the “Search” button to locate the Dorothy Van Norman Library Scholarship Endowment as the recipient.