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Sourcebooks Partners with Baker & Taylor on Exclusive Library Book Clubs

Virtual Program Kicks Off with Murder at the Library

(CHICAGO, June 30, 2020) – Sourcebooks, a top independent publisher, is partnering with Baker & Taylor, the leading library books and technology solutions provider, on an exclusive virtual book club program for public libraries. The new monthly program, Book Clubs at the Library, allows libraries that sign up to purchase five ebook copies of the selected title with unlimited, multi-user access to that ebook for one month. The offering also includes an exclusive virtual book club event each month.

"Sourcebooks is absolutely thrilled to partner with Baker & Taylor on this unique print and digital book club initiative," said Dominique Raccah, Sourcebooks publisher and CEO. "After librarians and patrons have connected at book clubs within their own communities, they will have the opportunity to share the monthly book selection at a live virtual event for readers nationwide. What an amazing program to help build together!"

Book Clubs at the Library kicks off in July with <u>Murder at the Library</u>, featuring *The Last Flight* by Julie Clark. Rebecca Vnuk, executive director of LibraryReads, will moderate the virtual book club event with Clark on Wednesday, July 29, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. (Eastern). Participating libraries will also receive access to assets, including a book discussion guide and social media graphics to help promote to patrons.

"Baker & Taylor is excited to partner with Sourcebooks on this unique initiative as part of our digital offerings that support communities whether they are beginning to reopen or remain virtual," said Amandeep Kochar, Baker & Taylor executive vice president and general manager. "Libraries have been asking us for a seamless online book club experience, and as the leading provider of library solutions, we combined our expertise with Sourcebooks to deliver this innovative program in support of literacy based community outcomes."

The first ten libraries to sign up for July's program will be able to submit a question for Clark to answer during the live event, which will be recorded and accessible on the Baker & Taylor website afterward. For more information, visit <u>Baker & Taylor</u>.

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