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ONE BOOK ONE CITY

Maisie Dobbs has been chosen as the Sierra Madre Public Library 2014 One Book One City selection and an appearance by the author Jacqueline Winspear will highlight a month of exciting free programs at the Library.

Winspear will speak on Saturday, February 22 at 2:00 p.m. in the Gooden School multi-purpose room about her mystery novel featuring an extraordinary young woman living through epic times in World War I era England and France. A reception will follow the talk and copies of all the books in the Maisie Dobbs series will be available for purchase and signing by the author.

2014 marks the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I and Winspear's talk caps a month of programs with a World War I theme.

Kickoff Event - Saturday, February 1, 2:00 p.m. at the Library

- Children's Airplane Flying Contest
- Display of artifacts from World War I
- Display of World War I award-winning poetry by Christopher "Kit" Adde
- Teen Docents will feature virtual tours of Sierra Madre in the World War I period
- Live music from the era

Events throughout the month

- Tuesday, 2/4, 7:00 p.m., Library
  Travel in Time and Space. Immerse yourself in Maisie's world with an armchair tour of World War I life. Catherine Adde will take us to Cambridge, London, the English countryside and the battlefields of France where the story takes place.

- Monday, 2/10, 7:00 p.m., Sierra Madre Playhouse
  Wings, an epic World War I silent action drama that features spectacular aerial sequences of vintage dog fighting and a romantic angle featuring its top-billed star Clara Bow.

- Wednesday 2/ 12, 7:00 p.m., Library
  Featured Book Discussion - Everyone is welcome to attend a special discussion of Winspear's book, *Maisie Dobbs*.

- Thursday, 2/ 20 11:00 a.m., Library
  Third Thursday Book discussion *Maisie Dobbs*

- Thursday, 2/20, 7:00 p.m., Essick House: The Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society presents author and historian Michele Zack who will speak on life in Sierra Madre during the years up to, including, and following WWI. Emphasis will be on the role of Sierra Madre's women in shaping early 20th century community life and involvement in the War effort.

- Wednesdays, February, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m., Library basement
  Teen Book Club will read *Leviathan* by Scott Westerfeld, a steam-punk novel with a World War I setting.

- Friday 2/21, 7:00 p.m., Alverno Villa
  Friends of the Library Wine Tasting. A signed copy of *Maisie Dobbs* will be featured as a silent auction item.

- Saturday, February 22, 2:00 p.m., The Gooden School multi-purpose room
  Appearance and book signing by author Jacqueline Winspear.

One Book One City is-supported by the Sierra Madre Community Foundation, the Sierra Madre Civic Club and the Sierra Madre Rotary Club.

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