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ARCLight Podcast S02E01: The Cost of Saving a Life – A Conversation with Author Kati Standefer

[Kati Standefer](#) graduated from Hersey High School in 2003, and was a healthy and active adult. However, in 2009 she went into cardiac arrest in a parking lot in Jackson, Wyoming. As a result, she had a cardiac defibrillator wired into her chest. A few years later, however, that device malfunctioned, sending three painful shocks to her heart. *Lightning Flowers: My Journey to Uncover the Cost of Saving a Life* is her memoir, which documents not just these incidents, but also the effects that the manufacturing of her device had not just on the environment, but also on the people who mined the minerals from the ground. Her memoir takes her from the United States to places such as Madagascar and Rwanda. On the new season 2 opener of the [ARCLight Podcast](#), Kati sits down and discusses her book and what it means to be a storyteller. Listen [here](#), or anywhere you get your podcasts.

Mrs. Sell and the Reading Room

We'd like to give a warm welcome to Mrs. Maureen Sell, our new JHHS Library Assistant! Last year, Mrs. Sell operated the Test-Make-up Center and worked with Peer Tutors. A certified English teacher, Mrs. Sell brings an expertise about books and libraries to this position. Great at making reading recommendations, Mrs. Sell is always on hand to lend some advice to students who are looking for things to read. In fact, she is in charge of the new JHHS Reading Room. This endeavor was the brain-child of Mrs. Sell and several of her peer tutors last Spring. The Reading Room is located in the library, room 125F.



The Reading Room is welcoming. There are several comfy chairs and a lending library as well. It is designed for students who want a quiet place to read. The only rule: They have to be reading a physical book. No electronic devices allowed. Once done, they can post their reviews on the "Reading Wall." At the end of every quarter, a random drawing will be made and prizes will be given for those who have used the Reading Room!



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HUSKIE RADIO



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[Huskie Radio](#) is now here! Broadcasting LIVE in the ARC Studio, Huskie Radio brings a unique opportunity to students who love music, or want to learn about radio and broadcasting. Huskie Radio [streams](#) world-wide on the internet 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We are building the station from the ground up, and are looking for students who want to produce shows or DJ during their free periods or study halls. Students can click [here](#) to let us know they are interested, or attend a meeting of the Radio Club that will first meet after school on October 3 in the ARC.



One student who has hit the ground running is Ryan Venn. During Freshman orientation he saw the studio and heard about Huskie Radio. His passion for rock and roll music led to the first student-produced show on Huskie Radio. *The Rock Show with Ryan Venn* airs every "Orange Day" LIVE in the ARC, with a nightly repeat at 8pm.

Any student who wants to help create a show, should fill out the [form](#) and talk to Mr. Janu in the ARC.

Huskie Radio boasts a large and eclectic music catalog. We play anything and everything, from Top 40 and modern hits, to 80s and 90s, to Oldies and Classic Rock. There is something for everyone.

In addition, we stream the following blocks of music during the night hours:

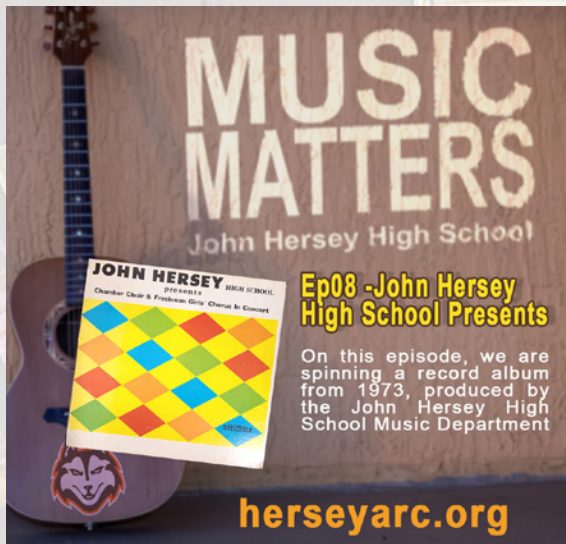
Midnight Blues (12am-1am) - The best of contemporary and classic Blues music

Overnight Jazz Club (1am - 3am) - Two hours of an eclectic mix of jazz, from Dixieland to Swing to BeBop -- we have it all.

Classical Café (3qm-6am) - Wake up to a relaxing mix of the best classical music out there.



Ryan Venn in the ARC Studio

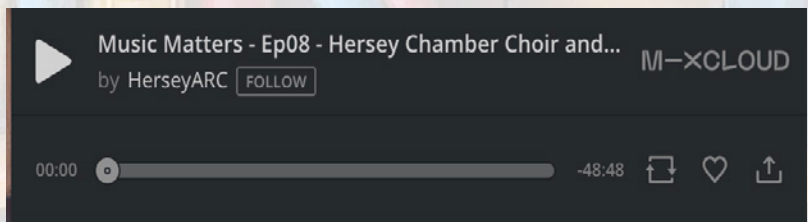


New *Music Matters* features a vinyl album produced by the John Hersey High School Music Department in 1973

Welcome to the new season of Music Matters! Our first episode is a time capsule taking us back to the Spring of 1973. That year, the John Hersey High School Music Department put out a record album, featuring live performances by the Chamber Choir and the Freshman Girls' Chorus.

The record contains a wonderful collection of pop hits from the early 70s, plus some great musical numbers as well. On this album you will hear Hersey students singing "Bless the Beasts and the Children," "Black and White," "Cherish," and "Speak Softly Love" to name a few. The pictures on the back are gloriously retro, featuring some marvelous plaid bell-bottom jumpsuits.

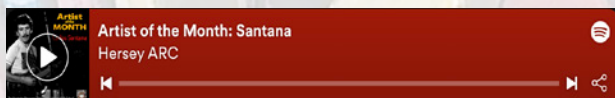
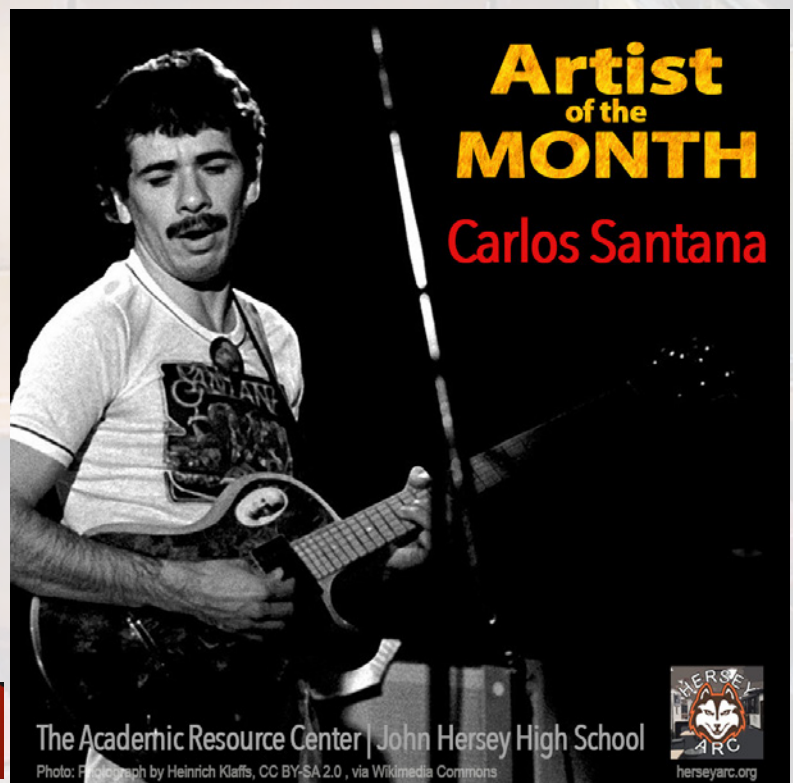
This episode will be streaming all month on Huskie Radio. Plus, you can listen to it on demand at [Mixcloud](https://www.mixcloud.com/HerseyARC/).



Speaking of music, this month is National Hispanic Heritage Month and we are featuring the music of Carlos Santana in the ARC.

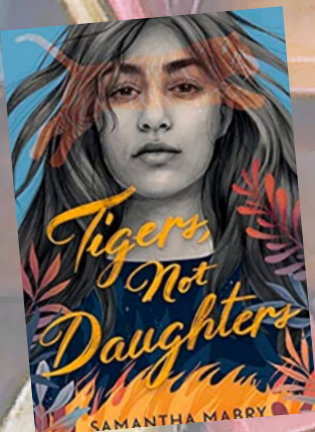
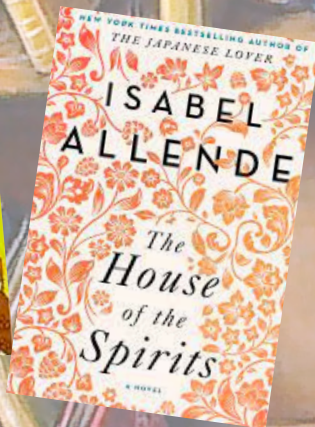
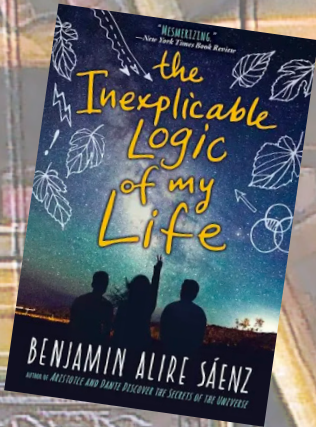
Carlos Santana gave his name to the band that he founded, producing their first record in 1969. Even before the record was released, Santana made their debut at Woodstock to great acclaim. Carlos Santana is considered one of the greatest guitarists and his blend of rock and roll and Latin American Jazz is legendary.

The music of Carlos Santana will be featured on Huskie Radio, and you can listen to our curated playlist on [Spotify](https://open.spotify.com/playlist/37i9dQZF1DX0XUf1CtR8Hh).



NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

National Hispanic Heritage Month is September 15 - October 15. We are celebrating the vibrant cultures of the Latin American world in the ARC through books and music. Below are some of the books and authors we are highlighting this month. Look for these books and more in the ARC.



ELIZABETH ACEVEDO

Elizabeth Acevedo grew up in Harlem to Dominican immigrant parents. Her stories reflect that upbringing, and she identifies as Afro-Latina.

Her debut novel, *The Poet X*, is written in verse and tells the story of Xiomara, a 15 year old Latina struggling between tradition and the poetry she loves. In 2018, it won the National Book Award for Young People's Literature.

With the Fire on High, her second novel, Acevedo tells the story of Emoni who, as a senior in high school, is struggling with raising a daughter and fulfilling her dream of becoming a chef.





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NEW BOOKS

WE HAVE OVER 50 NEW BOOKS AVAILABLE. HERE IS A SAMPLE. COME TO THE ARC TO SEE THE REST!



Ride With Me
by Lucy Keating
RELATIONSHIPS

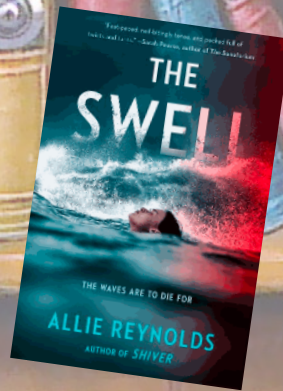
As a driver for her local ride share app, Charlie Owens loves what the open road gives her: freedom, extra cash for an epic road trip, and a path to getting out of her sleepy town... But when a routine post-party pick-up ends with Charlie crashing into Andre, her school's notorious party boy, she's forced to make a deal to drive him anywhere he needs to go, anytime, until his car can be repaired... But Andre's charm wins over Charlie's passengers, and she soon finds herself at risk of breaking her most sacred rule: don't fall in love.



We are boosting our Manga section. We now have the first 23 volumes of the popular Demon Slayer series. More to come!

Hell Followed With Us
By Andrew Joseph White
HORROR

Sixteen-year-old trans boy Benji is on the run from the cult that raised him—the fundamentalist sect that unleashed Armageddon and decimated the world's population. Desperately, he searches for a place where the cult can't get their hands on him, or more importantly, on the bioweapon they infected him with.



The Swell
by Allie Reynolds
MYSTERY

Surfing competition. Murder. A group of elite surfers are determined to find the perfect wave at any cost.



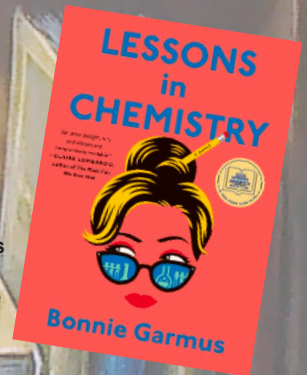
The Librarian Spy
by Madeline Martin
HISTORICAL FICTION

Ava thought her job as a librarian at the Library of Congress would mean a quiet, routine existence. But an unexpected offer from the US military has brought her to Lisbon with a new mission: posing as a librarian while working undercover as a spy gathering intelligence.

Meanwhile, in occupied France, Elaine has begun an apprenticeship at a printing press run by members of the Resistance. It's a job usually reserved for men, but in the war, those rules have been forgotten. Yet she knows that the Nazis are searching for the press and its printer in order to silence them.

Lessons in Chemistry
by Bonnie Garmus
REALISTIC FICTION

Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it's the 1960s and despite the fact that she is a scientist, her peers are very unscientific when it comes to equality. The only good thing to happen to her on the road to professional fulfillment is a run-in with her super-star colleague Calvin Evans, the only man who ever treated her-and her ideas-as equal. He's also awkward, kind and tenacious. Theirs is true chemistry.



It Sounds Like This
by Anna Meriano
REALISTIC FICTION

Yasmin Treviño didn't have much of a freshman year thanks to Hurricane Humphrey, but she's ready to take sophomore year by storm. That means mastering the marching side of marching band—fast!—so she can outshine her BFF Sofia as top of the flute section, earn first chair, and impress both her future college admission boards and her comfortably unattainable drum major crush Gilberto Reyes.



The Sunbearer Trials
by Aiden Thomas
FANTASY

Demigod Teo is unexpectedly selected for the Sunbearer Trials, a fierce competition among demigod heroes where the winner sacrifices the loser to Sol, their blood fueling the Sun Stones that protect Reino del Sol.

Heads up! Next month, the ARC will once again be hosting College Essay-Palooza. Look for more info soon!

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YOUR COLLEGE ESSAY?
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COLLEGE ESSAY- PALOOZA!

**TUESDAY MORNINGS
OCTOBER 4, 11, 18 & 25**

**HAVE YOUR FINAL DRAFT REVIEWED
BY JHHS STAFF!**

**PLUS! Don't miss the exciting Kick-off College Rep
Panel on Tuesday, September 20th at 7:30am in the
JHHS Theater! Get the inside scoop on what college
admission reps look for in your essay!**



Registration information coming soon!