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INSPIRING NATURAL WORLD AUTHOR AMY STEWART VISITS CLEARFIELD LIBRARY

Wicked Bugs Lecture & Book Signing

Award-winning author, Amy Stewart brings stories of her perils and pleasures with the natural world to Clearfield Library, 770 Hopkins Road in Williamsville for a lecture and book signing on Wednesday, May 25 at 6:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public however registration is required by calling 716-688-4955.

Amy Stewart's latest of five New York Times bestsellers is *Wicked Bugs: The Louse that Conquered Napoleon's Army and other Diabolical Insects*, a comical look at the sinister side of our relationship with the natural world. Stewart has tracked down over 100 of our worst entomological foes-creatures that infest, infect, and generally wreak havoc on human affairs. From the world's most painful hornet, to the flies that transmit deadly diseases, to millipedes that stop traffic, to the "bookworms" that devour libraries, to the Japanese beetles munching on your roses, *Wicked Bugs* delves into the extraordinary powers of six and eight-legged creatures.

Talking Leaves Books will have copies of her book available for purchase. Amy Stewart spoke at the downtown Central Library in Buffalo last year as part of the National Garden Walk Festival. She is the recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts fellowship, the American Horticulture Society's Book Award, and a California Horticultural Society Writer's Award.

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