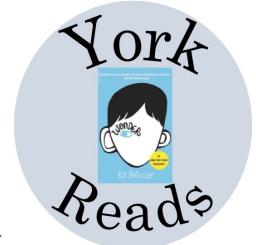
# York Reads! One Book, One Community

## WONDER by R. J. Palacio

An inspiring story about the challenges of living with a physical disability, and the power and importance of kindness.



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The following programs are presented by the **York Diversity Forum** in collaboration with the York Public Library, York Schools, York Hospital, and York Adult Education

#### **Special Events**

- **Tuesday, Sept. 29: 7:00 pm** <u>Bringing *Wonder* To Life</u> Vermont educator, Sam Drazin grew up with a facial difference and hearing loss. He will share his experiences coupled with his time as an elementary teacher. He will help you understand the challenges he faces and see the humor in everyday situations. This program funded by the York Diversity Forum.
- **Tuesday, October 13:** 7:00pm <u>Do You Wonder About Living With Physical Challenges?</u> A panel of physically disabled individuals will give a first-hand account of what it is like to be visually or hearing impaired or to rely on a wheelchair. Signing interpreter for the hearing impaired.
- Tuesday, October 27: 7:00pm Wonder Where You Can Get Help with Physical Disabilities? Learn about services provided in Maine and the Seacoast for people living with disabilities.

#### <u>Films</u>

- Sunday, September 27: 3:00pm <u>My Left Foot</u> Daniel Day-Lewis earned an Oscar for his performance in this true story of Irish writer Christy Brown, who is paralyzed from cerebral palsy. Rated R
- Sunday, October 25: 3:00 pm <u>Children of a Lesser God</u> Marlee Matlin earned an Oscar as a beautiful young deaf girl in a conflicted romantic and professional relationship with her teacher. Rated R
- Sunday, November 8: 3:00 pm <u>The Waterdance</u> A semi-autobiographical story about a young writer who becomes paralyzed in a hiking accident and works to rehabilitate his body and mind. Rated R

### **Book Discussions**

Space is limited, please sign up at the Library or call 207-363-2818 to register

- Thursday, October 15: 4:00 pm Led by Kathy Welch & Tracy Pepin; Coastal Ridge Civil Rights Team leaders.
- Wednesday, November 4: 7:00 pm Led by Peter Amershadian, high school language teacher.

Books are available through the Library Minerva system. A limited number of copies are available for purchase (\$9) at the Library.