

## Dearborn Public Library Local Author Guidelines

Dearborn Public Library welcomes the opportunity to support local literary and creative efforts. Local authors may submit their work for possible inclusion in the collection. These works must meet some or all of the Library's <u>selection criteria</u> as detailed below:

- Contemporary significance or permanent value
- Accuracy
- Authority and competency of the author, composer, film, source of information, etc.
- Relation of work to existing collection
- Format, ease of use, readability/clarity of picture, sound or electronic presentation
- Popular demand
- Physical quality (durability) of material in all media

The above principles are not ranked. Importance will vary, depending on the subject area.——

Local authors are defined as residents or former residents of Dearborn or Dearborn Heights. Works about Dearborn and/or Dearborn Heights are included in this definition.

- At least one copy of the work must be donated to the Library and will not be returned regardless of
  inclusion decision. It becomes the property of the Library. Items not selected for inclusion in the
  collection will be donated to the Friends of the Library-Dearborn (FOLD) book sale.
- Items added into the collection may be withdrawn, at a future date, in accordance with the terms of the Library retention policy.
- The Library can only accept physical copies (books, CDs or DVDs)
- Acceptance of a copy of a work into the collection does not guarantee that the Library will purchase
  additional copies. If more copies are purchased, they may not be purchased directly from the
  author/creator.
- Items submitted in a foreign language require an English translation of certain details including Title, Author, and Brief summary.
- Items added will be interfiled into the general collection and identified with a "local" label. Items will be identified in the catalog under a subject heading "Local Author".
- Dearborn Public Library bears no obligation for marketing an author's work.
- To submit work, please complete the Local Materials Donation Form (page 2) and submit it, along with the copy of the work to Henry Ford Centennial Library – Library Administration, 16301 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn, MI 48126-2330



## **LOCAL MATERIALS DONATION FORM**

## Dearborn Public Library

## **Item Information**

Item Title
Author Name
Brief Description
Type of Item: Book CI DVD
Donor/Author Contact Information
Name
Phone Number
Address
City State ZIP
Email