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Academy® Award-Winning Screenwriter Sarah Polley Visit's Milton as part of One, Book, One Milton Sold-Out Event!

MILTON, ONTARIO – The Milton Public Library was honoured to welcome Academy® Award-winning screenwriter and acclaimed actor and director, Sarah Polley for their 2023 One Book, One Milton event on Thursday, October 26th.

The sold-out crowd of 500 were treated with an interview hosted by Eleanor Wachtel, as Sarah discussed her #1 National Bestseller, *Run Towards the Danger*, a collection of six personal essays that delve into aspects of her life and career.

The book is the winner of the 2022 Toronto Book Award, a New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice, and was named the Most-Anticipated Book of 2022 by Entertainment Weekly, Lit Hub, and AV Club.

Kanta Kapoor, MPL's interim Chief Librarian, commenced the evening by expressing her thoughts on the significance of One Book, One Milton: *"Now in its tenth year, One Book, One Milton remains MPL's signature annual program. Over the past decade, we have had the privilege of hosting some of Canada's most illustrious authors. Sarah Polley's inclusion in this distinguished list is a matter of great honor."*

Notably, the event was graced by the presence of the Mayor of Milton, Gordon Krantz, underlining the event's importance for the local community.

Sarah Polley conveyed her gratitude for being designated as the One Book One Milton author for 2023: *"I am so honored and excited to be part of the One Book One Milton event. I extend my heartfelt thanks to the Milton Public Library."*

Inclusivity marked the event, as members of the deaf community were welcomed with the presence of ASL interpreters. Following the interview, a dynamic Q&A session provided a platform for individuals from diverse backgrounds to pose questions to Sarah Polley, gaining insight into her experiences as a successful figure.

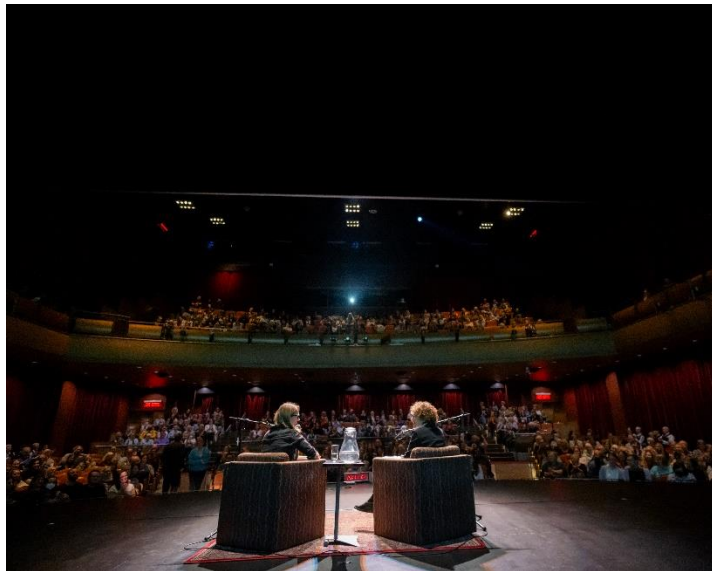
One event attendee shared their appreciation: *"It's truly exceptional to have someone of Sarah Polley's caliber, an Oscar winner, visit our community here in Milton. We were fortunate to have her tonight and hear her thoughts on her remarkable journey. Our gratitude goes to the Milton Public Library for uniting us all."*

Concluding the evening, attendees had the privilege of engaging in a personal interaction with Sarah Polley during a book signing session.

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About One Book, One Milton:

One Book, One Milton is a community-wide program that is designed to encourage everyone in Milton to read the same book. One Book, One Milton engages the community through the shared experience of reading and discussing the same book: its contents, themes and relevance, as it relates to the Milton community. Past authors have included Mark Critch, Kelley Armstrong, Jagmeet Singh, Samra Habib, Margaret Atwood, Chris Hadfield, Yann Martel, Neil Pasricha and Don Gillmor.

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About MPL:

Serving one of the fastest-growing municipalities in North America, Milton Public Library (MPL) is a multi-award winning public library focused on innovation and service excellence. The Library's updated service delivery model is founded on community-led concepts and partnerships and has been highly effective, to the point that MPL now has the highest rate of active cardholders of any large Canadian Library.

MPL empowers the community to Read. Learn. Create. Connect. and **Be Inspired** by all MPL has to offer.

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