

Press Release

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Local author Brian McClellan to speak at Chardon Library

Book signing event kicks off Festival of Pop Culture at GCPL

Geauga County – March 9, 2015 – Chardon Library is kicking off GCPL’s Festival of Pop Culture with a visit and book-signing event from local writer Brian McClellan, author of the popular Powder Mage Trilogy including *Promise of Blood*; *The Crimson Campaign*; and the newly released *The Autumn Republic*. Come in costume if you wish, but be ready for an adventure in fantasy genre with a rising-star novelist.

What: A visit from author Brian McClellan / Festival of Pop Culture: Fantasy Reading
Date: Mon., April 13
Time: 7 p.m.
Place: Chardon Library (110 East Park Street on Chardon Square)
Cost: Free and open to the public; registration required

Of special local interest is that Brian McClellan is a Geauga County Public Library patron. As a youngster, he spent many hours among the book stacks at both Chardon Library and Geauga West Library. His mother, Cheryl McClellan, is the GCPL Genealogist and works at Chardon Library. Brian dedicated his latest book *The Autumn Republic* to her.

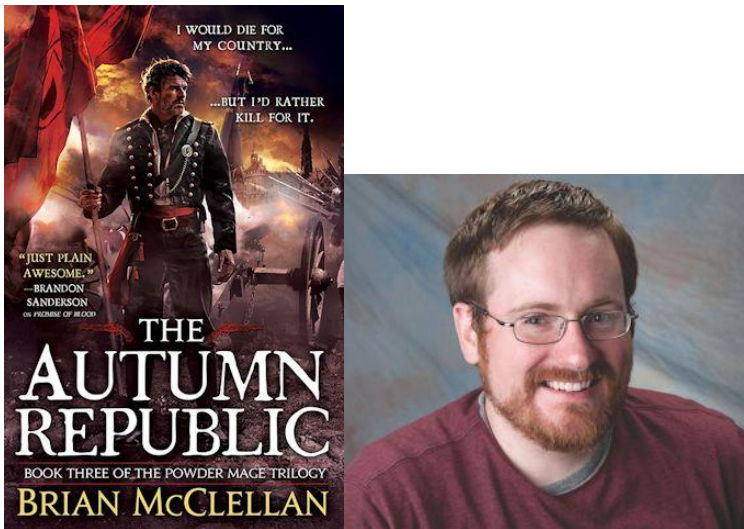
Brian’s work has received strong critical acclaim. “McClellan’s debut packs some serious heat. ... A thoroughly satisfying yarn that should keep readers waiting impatiently for further installments.” --- *Kirkus* (starred review). And *Publishers Weekly* calls his first novel: “A gritty tale of political overthrow complicated by divine retribution... [There are] sympathetic portraits of dutiful folks caught up on both sides of the rebellion.”

All GCPL locations are featuring pop culture events this spring. The lineup of other events includes:

- Get pop cultured in comics: Middlefield, Mon., April 13, 6 – 7:30 p.m.
- Get pop cultured in trivia: Bainbridge, Wed., April 15, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Get pop cultured in trivia: Geauga West, April 15, 7 – 8:30 p.m.

About the Geauga County Public Library

The Geauga County Public Library includes four full-service community libraries in Bainbridge, Chardon, Chesterland (Geauga West) and Middlefield; two library stations housed in schools in Newbury and Thompson; one Bookmobile that serves farms, nursing homes and nursery schools; and one administrative center where technical services, computer services, facilities and administrative functions reside. GCPL has more than 500,000 books and e-books. The collection also contains more than 100,000 audio / video items and 400 research databases available through its website. GCPL is a member of the SearchOhio / OhioLINK consortium, giving patrons access to more than 66 million items. Learn more about the Geauga County Public Library at the GCPL website, GeaugaLibrary.net. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn for news and updates.



Caption: Acclaimed fantasy author Brian McClellan kicks off GCPL's Festival of Pop Culture with a presentation of his latest fantasy novel *The Autumn Republic* Mon., April 13, at 7 p.m. at Chardon Library. Attendees are invited to come in their favorite fantasy story costume (not required). Brian will be available to sign copies of his book.

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