### Montana Historical Society Public Programs and Events November 2021

#### All Month!

# The Big Read featuring An American Sunrise: Poems by Joy Harjo, Laureate of the United States

MHS is proud to participate in the Lewis and Clark Library's Big Read, a program funded by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). See specific information below, and visit the library's website for the full schedule: <a href="https://www.lclibrary.org/306/The-Big-Read">https://www.lclibrary.org/306/The-Big-Read</a>



## Thursday, November 4, 4:30 p.m. TBA



### Thursday, November 11 Veterans Day

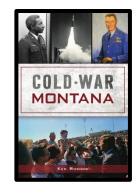
MHS is closed in honor of all men and women who served in the U.S. armed forces.

### Saturday, November 13, 1:30 p.m. Cold War Montana

#### Book talk and signing with Ken Robison

Home to some of the most powerful nuclear missile systems in the world, Montana played an indispensable role in the war against Communism. Utilizing the Lend-

Lease pipeline, Soviet spies ferried stolen nuclear and industrial secrets, loaded in diplomatic pouches, from Great Falls to the Soviet Union. Army nurse Lieutenant Diane Carlson served as "an angel of mercy" at the Pleiku Evacuation Hospital in the Central Highlands in Vietnam. Young Montana smokejumper "Hog" Daniels joined the CIA's secret war in Southeast Asia, becoming the principal advisor to General Vang Pao in his desperate fight against Communists. Captain Ken Robison (U.S. Navy, Ret.), award-winning author and Cold Warrior, reveals tales of Montanans who made their mark on this titanic struggle.



# Thursday, November 18, 4:30 p.m. Tales from Montana Tables with Zoe Ann Stoltz and Molly Kruckenberg

In a readers' theater presentation drawn from primary sources documenting Montana's rich food history, MHS reference historian Zoe Ann Stoltz and director Molly Kruckenberg—both of whom are certified "foodies"—will share delectable nuggets from the culinary past. Just in time for Thanksgiving, come tantalize your taste buds with these tales from the kitchens of yesteryear.



### Thursday, November 18, 6:30 p.m. Race as a Colonial Concept with Laura Ferguson

Using Joy Harjo's *An American Sunrise* as a jumping-off point, MHS assistant editor Laura Ferguson will discuss how the use of blood quantum to determine tribal enrollment status has eroded tribal sovereignty, fractured tribal communities, and impacted Native people's identities. This virtual program is being presented as part of the Lewis and Clark Library's Big Read. **Register in advance for this meeting:** <a href="https://tinyurl.com/2nvbaxdk">https://tinyurl.com/2nvbaxdk</a> After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



**Thursday, November 25** Happy Thanksgiving!

#### Tuesday, November 30 at 12 PM Book Discussion with the Lewis and Clark Library's Big Read An American Sunrise: Poems by Joy Harjo

Quincy Bjornberg, Samantha Vulles, and Rachel Pichardo will lead a virtual book discussion of *An American Sunrise* which features poems by America's poet laureate Joy Harjo. This program is being offered as part of the Lewis and Clark Library's Big Read. **Register in advance for this meeting** at: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/5h8n7fdd">https://tinyurl.com/5h8n7fdd</a> [tinyurl.com]. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. To learn more about the

Big Read, visit: https://www.lclibrary.org/306/The-Big-Read.

