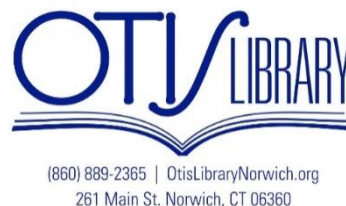


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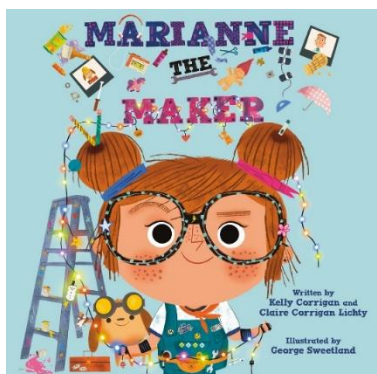
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Dear Friend,

For 175 years, Otis Library has been a cornerstone of Norwich, offering a welcoming space for the community to share ideas and explore interests. We will celebrate our **21st Annual Evening with an Author on Friday, June 6, 2025**. Join us for cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, tasting stations, a silent auction, and a keynote address. This year features *New York Times* bestselling author **Kelly Corrigan and Claire Corrigan Lichty**, who will unveil their children's book, ***Marianne the Maker***. This is the first time in our history that we are highlighting a children's book!



Kelly Corrigan has been called “the poet laureate of the ordinary” by HuffPost and is the author of several *New York Times* bestsellers including *Tell Me More* and *The Middle Place*. She hosts the podcast *Kelly Corrigan Wonders* and has a popular TED Talk. **Claire Corrigan Lichty**, a University of Virginia graduate with a double major in computer science and drama, writes code, stories, and jokes for stand-up.

The Board, Friends, staff, and supporters of Otis Library are committed to providing free resources and services that positively impact lives. **Your attendance at this event supports our focus on connection and wellness.** Research shows that those with meaningful connections tend to live longer and lead more fulfilling lives. Our mission is to help everyone find rewarding connections through our services, resources, and programs, addressing the loneliness epidemic and fostering opportunities to connect.

Our goal is to connect your support with our work! Last year, we welcomed over 40 sponsors, and this year, we aim to partner with over 60 community businesses and organizations. We plan to make this our largest and most enjoyable fundraiser yet! **Please take a moment to learn about the ways you can help!**

