

## The Story begins...

"Lyrical. . . Gorgeous. . . Krivak's serene and contemplative novel invites us to consider a vision of time as circular, of existence as grand and eternal beyond the grasp of individuals—and of a world able to outlive human destructiveness."

—Washington Post



Read and become part of a world where a girl and her father live close to the land in the shadow of a lone mountain. They possess a few remnants of civilization: some books, a pane of glass, a set of flint and steel, a comb. Follow in their footsteps as father teaches daughter how to fish and hunt, and to discover the secrets of the seasons and the stars. Listen as he prepares her for an adulthood in harmony with nature as you venture with them—the last of humankind.

But when the girl finds herself alone in an unknown landscape, it is a bear that will lead her and you back home through a vast wilderness that offers the greatest lessons of all.

### Visit

[StageLeftPlayers.org](http://StageLeftPlayers.org)  
to view our calendar  
of events.



### Celebration of the Arts

Playwrights, storytellers, dancers, poets and artists will share their book-inspired creations with their community- April 28, 29 & 30, 2023.

### Community Book Reads

The Lepper Library will host and facilitate book discussions for adults and teens, as well as children's story hours from September 2022-April 2023.

### The Power of Literature

"All across America, in communities small and large, the NEA Big Read connects neighbors and inspires creativity."

Torrie Allen  
President & CEO of Arts Midwest

### The Trinity Playhouse

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# Events Continued

Oct 23 Young Playwrights, Poets & Storytellers Project  
12-1:30 pm Grades 7-12  
Trinity Playhouse

Jan 7 DAHS Artist Submission  
Teacher Elana Browfield  
David Anderson High School

Mar 11 Community Bear Crawl  
2-3 pm Trinity Playhouse and the  
Lepper Library

April 1 SPARK Storytellers  
7-9 pm Theme- "Waiting"  
The Trinity Playhouse

## Saturday, April 29, 2023

COMMUNITY ARTS CELEBRATION  
7-8 PM Trinity Playhouse

Stage Left Community Arts Center is one of 62 organizations nationwide selected to receive a 2022-2023 NEA Big Read grant.

## Thank you to Our Partners

We are grateful to our community who support us in this amazing adventure!

Mayor Peter Wilson  
Lisbon Village Council  
The Lepper Library  
Columbiana Parks District  
Source Gallery  
SPARK Storytellers  
Mahoning Valley  
Astronomical Society  
Leap of Faith Dancer  
Keep You in Stitches Quilters  
Deer Path Designs

STAGE LEFT COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER

# The Bear

By Andrew Krivak

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# Events Calendar

Sep 10 Big Read Kick Off  
10 am-2 pm Trinity Playhouse &  
Lepper Library  
Mayor Peter Wilson Proclamation  
Keep You In Stitches Quilt Reveal

Sep 24 Community Bear Hike  
9-10 am Scenic Vista Park  
with Columbiana County  
District Park Friends

Oct 1 Star Gazing  
6-10 pm Scenic Vista Park  
with Mahoning Valley  
Astronomical Society

Oct 13 Lisbon Music Study Club  
7-9 PM New Lisbon Presbyterian  
The Bear Playlist

An initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest, the NEA Big Read broadens our understanding of our world, our communities, and ourselves through the power of a shared reading experience.

BORROW A BOOK!

THE LEPPER LIBRARY

TRINITY PLAYHOUSE

LET'S READ!