

## Community Partnerships Update – April 2021

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**Artist in Residence:** The Artist in Residence (AIR) series contracts local artists for 3-month periods to showcase their works and share their craft through lectures, workshops and demonstrations to community members of all ages.

The April-June artist is Wendi Turchan-Martin, who shares, “In an ongoing series of work titled Thrive, I am exploring connections between home and the landscape by merging fragments of plants with colors, textures, and patterns reminiscent of interior fabrics and textiles.” Her upcoming library programs include workshops that guide participants in using elements found in nature to paint and create various art pieces and can be found on [apl.org/calendar](http://apl.org/calendar).

Explore an online gallery of Wendi’s work, plus previous and upcoming artists on the library’s website at [apl.org/air/gallery](http://apl.org/air/gallery).

**APL Teen Input Survey:** Teen Services staff created and launched a brief survey to gather input directly from teens to inform future teen services and programming. The online and print survey is available in English, Spanish and Hmong. Teens in grades 6-12 can complete the survey on their own; parents or guardians are also invited to fill it out with their youth. Participants can opt-in to be eligible for a prize drawing. The survey will run April 13-May 17 and details are listed at [bit.ly/3aayv1v](http://bit.ly/3aayv1v).

**Imagine Fox Cities Well-Being Survey:** Imagine Fox Cities is a collaborative initiative to be more intentional about shaping the future of the Fox Cities. Appleton Public Library staff are involved in the coordinating and belonging committees and will support public access to the new well-being survey.

The group launched a new well-being survey, encouraging people from all backgrounds who live or work in the Fox Cities to take 10 minutes to fill out the anonymous online questionnaire. People are asked to share how they’re personally feeling related to physical and mental health, finances, life purpose and fulfillment, and emotional and social support. Survey results will be helpful in discussions and plans for enhancing life for those who call the Fox Cities home now and for future generations. The survey is open until May 14 on the Imagine Fox Cities website, [imaginefoxcities.com](http://imaginefoxcities.com).