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Authors at Home Virtual Program Series

LMxAC continues the **Authors at Home Virtual Program Series** developed by its member libraries. As we begin re-opening after quarantine, member libraries are combining their resources for these virtual programs that will be available to all and will also contribute to the varied online content that libraries are creating.

On Thursday, September 17, at 7:30 p.m., Maisy Card will present a discussion of her writing process across and the publication of her first novel, *These Ghosts Are Family*. This will be followed by a participant Q & A. Card's novel is available through eLibraryNJ in the ebook format.

Maisy Card is a writer and a public librarian. Her debut novel, *These Ghosts Are Family*, was a New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice and was longlisted for The Center For Fiction's First Novel Prize. Her writing has appeared in *Lenny Letter*, *School Library Journal*, *AGNI*, *Lit Hub*, *Guernica* and other publications. Her short story, "The True Death of Abel Paisley," was nominated for a Pushcart Prize in 2018. Maisy was born in St. Catherine, Jamaica, but was raised in Jamaica, New York. She earned an MFA from Brooklyn College, an MLIS from Rutgers University and a BA in English and American Studies from Wesleyan University. She is currently an instructor for Sackett Street Writers' Workshop.

Registration for this free event is required. A link to the registration form, as well as information about this series, can be found on the ExploreLMxAC website: <https://explorelmxac.org/authors-at-home>

The consortium currently consists of libraries in Carteret, Dunellen, East Brunswick, Edison, Elizabeth, Jamesburg, Kenilworth, Keyport, Long Branch, Matawan Aberdeen, Metuchen, Middlesex, Middlesex County College, Milltown, Monroe, New Brunswick, North Brunswick, Old Bridge, Perth Amboy, Piscataway, Plainfield, Plainsboro, Red Bank, Roselle, Roselle Park, Sayreville, South Amboy, South Brunswick, South Plainfield, South River, Spotswood, and Springfield. Working together and sharing both technology and collections, LMxAC is a prime example of shared services among many municipalities that is benefiting residents throughout those central New Jersey communities.

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