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Library presents discussion series on end-of-life issues

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Four area nonprofit groups are partnering to offer the public programs for end-of-life issues.

The groups, including Tulsa City-County Library; Clarehouse, a nonprofit home for dying people; Arts Alliance Tulsa and Phillips Seminary, will host a three-part series of free programs, according to a news release.

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The series titled "Before I Die ... Talking About Death" will address the widespread need for education in goals-of-care and navigating the health-care system.

The three interactive programs, presented at downtown's Central Library, will address the widespread need for education in goals-of-care planning and navigating the health-care system. Library materials and resources on the subject will be displayed for library customers to check out after each program.

The program topics include:

"Art in Community Spaces: Engaging Dialogue About Dying and Living" at 6 p.m. Tuesday on the first floor. Holbrook Campbell Lawson, an independent art adviser, will introduce Tulsa's mobile "Before I Die" wall. "Before I Die" is a global public art project that invites people to reflect on their lives and share their personal aspirations in public space. The project was started by Candy Chang on an abandoned house in New Orleans after losing a loved one. Learn more about the project by visiting beforeidie.cc.

"Death Over Dinner: Making 'The Conversation' Easier to Swallow" at 6 p.m. Oct. 25 in the Greadington Learning and Creativity Center. Hear about families' struggles with talking about painful subjects. Experts will be at the program to provide advice to help facilitate your own conversations.



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“Building Your Toolkit for Navigating Care at Life’s End” at 6 p.m. Nov. 1 in the Greadington Learning and Creativity Center. Learn strategies and techniques for becoming your own care manager. Participants will receive a custom-built binder to help organize necessary documents.

For more information on Tulsa City-County Library programming and services, call the AskUs Hotline at 918-549-7323 or visittulsalibrary.org.

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