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All Henrico Reads Author Tayari Jones to Speak at Glen Allen High School

The Henrico County Public Library, in partnership with Henrico County Public Schools, and the Friends of Henrico County Public Library will host nationally acclaimed author Tayari Jones, on Wednesday, April 1, 2015, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at Glen Allen High School, 10700 Staples Mill Road, Glen Allen, 23060. Her novels will be available for sale and she will autograph books following the program.

Originally from Atlanta, Ms. Jones' work explores life in the urban South. She serves on the MFA faculty at Rutgers University. Her novel and the featured All Henrico Reads title, *Silver Sparrow*, was named as one of the best of 2011 by *Library Journal*, *O: The Oprah Magazine*, and *Slate*. *Silver Sparrow*'s story revolves around James Witherspoon's families— the public one and the secret one. When the daughters from each family meet and form a friendship, only one of them knows they are sisters. It is a relationship destined to explode when secrets are revealed and illusions shattered. The novel is described by the *Los Angeles Times* as “impossible to put down,” and *Library Journal* called the novel “a graceful and shining work about finding the truth.”

All Henrico Reads is a community reading program that provides an opportunity for individuals to come together through a shared reading experience and discussion.

This event is free and open to the public. Seating will be first come, first served. Attendees can enter to win \$100 gift certificates to Red Door Spa, The Jefferson Hotel and Southern Seasons courtesy of the Friends of the Henrico County Public Library. Doors will open at 6:15 pm. Additional information is available at www.henricolibrary.org/AHR.

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