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### **RBEM Posters Herald Ray Bradbury Centennial Year 2020**

Ray Bradbury Centennial posters and brochures will be released at the future Ray Bradbury Experience Museum (RBEM) during HolidayWauk, December 21, 5:00–10:00pm at 13 N. Genesee Street in downtown Waukegan.

In celebration of the author’s wide fame, the first poster features the Bradbury quote “How did I get from Waukegan to Red Planet, Mars?” and depicts places that bear his name in Waukegan, in Hollywood, on the moon, and in outer space.

The Ray Bradbury Centennial poster is the first in a series of three posters and accompanying brochures, in English and Spanish, in celebration of Ray Bradbury, born in Waukegan on August 22, 1920.

The free posters will be distributed to Waukegan schools, local libraries, and throughout the area. “Ray Bradbury’s imagination and his dedication to daily writing created *Martian Chronicles*, *Fahrenheit 451*, *Dandelion Wine* and over 500 stories, screenplays, and poems, said Sandra Petroschius, RBEM Committee Chair. “We want to inspire local students, residents, and fans everywhere by highlighting Bradbury’s life, works, and fame.”

The Bradbury Centennial posters are funded by a grant from Illinois Humanities through National Endowment for the Humanities and the Illinois General Assembly. It is a project of the RBEM Committee.

Bradbury Centennial events launched on August 22, 2019 with the unveiling of the Ray Bradbury Sculpture at Waukegan Public Library. Events will continue, culminating in a Ray Bradbury Centennial birthday celebration in Waukegan during the August 22, 2020 weekend.

The mission of the Ray Bradbury Experience Museum is to inspire imagination and foster free-thinking and creativity through engagement in the universal themes and timeless works of Ray Bradbury, and to honor Ray Bradbury with an experiential museum in his hometown of Waukegan, Illinois, his celebrated “Green Town.”

For more information, visit [raybradburyexperiencemuseum.org](http://raybradburyexperiencemuseum.org) and Ray Bradbury Experience Museum on Facebook.

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