

Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Presents



Author Talks



with Local Author

Frances R. Schmidt

FRED: Buffalo Building of Dreams

April 30 • 10:30 am - 12 noon

Gallery Conference Room - 2nd floor

Downtown Central Library • 1 Lafayette Square, Buffalo

FRED's story honors his tenants and their families who arrived in America from all over the world from 1900 – 2020. It's a legacy of hope and teaches us the value of freedom, and what it means to survive and thrive in America in the 21st Century and beyond.

FRED'S tenants are the heart of the book. They were immigrants, refugees, internal migrants, and descendants of enslaved peoples of Africa. They arrived in Buffalo, New York from Germany, Sicily, Italy, Ireland, Canada, Hungary, France, Puerto Rico, The Pale of Russia, Poland, and Africa. Their legacy of hope teaches us the value of freedom and what it means to survive and thrive in America from 1900-2018 and beyond.

"Having a name made me feel human. The woman in the black Toyota and her researchers worked hard to create an accurate picture of a humble building of dreams."

- FRED

