

# Book Growl is New Podcast Series from SWOSU Library

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Book Growl is a new audio podcast series available at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

Book Growl was developed by the AI Harris Library where SWOSU authors, faculty and administration are invited to discuss and share books that are important to them and their students.

Modeled on Sam Tamenhaus's popular *New York Times Book Review Podcast* (<http://www.nytimes.com/ref/books/books-podcast-archive.html>), SWOSU Instructional Services Librarian Frederic Murray said the AI Harris Library is looking to capitalize on emergent technologies to extend its reach in promoting scholarship, lifelong learning, and a love of reading through the use of its state-of-the-art digital podcast technology.

While many universities offer lectures via podcast to the general public, Book Growl is unique in that it asks the SWOSU community what they read or teach and why others should know about it. Some of the first guests were: Dr. Chad Kinder discussing *The Big Burn: Teddy Roosevelt & The Fire That Saved America* by Timothy Egan; Dr. Valerie Reimers discussing *Persepolis*, a graphic novel by Marjane Satrapi; Dr. Keith Talley discussing *Jazz Icons*, a Jazz Concert DVD series; and Dr. Henrietta Mann discussing her own work of history *Cheyenne- Arapaho Education 1871 - 1982*.

The podcast is available for streaming or download on the library webpage (<http://www.swosu.edu/library/bookgrowl/>). If there is a book, film, or a work of art that someone feels SWOSU students should know about, please contact Murray at 580.774.7113 for more information and/or to schedule an appointment.