**DIVERSITY PICS – Week of June 26-July1**

**MADISON’S FIRST-EVER LunART FESTIVAL**

**June 28-30**

This 3-day Festival will showcase 40 international women artists, with the mission to support inspire, promote, and celebrate women in the arts through public performances, exhibitions, and workshops. Composers, visual artists, writers, and speakers will be represented in a variety of concerts, outreach events, and educational programs. There will be 3 ticketed evening gala concerts, a variety of musical events featuring emerging women composers selected internationally, and a panel discussion about collaboration in the arts. Information and ticket purchasing at LunARTfestival.org.

Thursday: Emerging composers, First United Methodist Church, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

 Lecture by musicologist Andrea Fowler, 6:00 p.m., MMoCa Lobby

 Moon Dances Opening Gala Concert, 7:00 p.m., MMoCALobby

Friday: Emerging composers workshop, 10:00 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 203 Wisconsin Ave.

 The Woman with the Unfathomable Eyes Gala Concert, 7:00 p.m., Overture Center Promenade Hall

 Starry Night - After Hours Performance, 9:30 p.m., Overture Center

Saturday: Collaboration in the Arts Panel Discussion, 10:00 a.m., Madison Public Library

 Emerging Composers Concert, 2:00 p.m., Capitol Lakes Retirement Community Grand Hall, 333 W. Main St.

 Women’s Stories - Closing Gala Concert, 7:00 p.m., First Unitarian Society Auditorium, 900 University Bay Drive

**RECOMMENDED READ**

**The Hate U Give**

**By Angie Thomas, 2017**

This young adult novel, a best seller among adults, explores the issue of police violence against Black men from the point of view of a 16-year old who lives in two worlds: the poor black neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. While driving home with her childhood best friend, Khalil, he is killed by a policeman during a traffic stop and his murder becomes a national headline. The only one who can answer what really happened is Starr, and what she says could determine whether or not he is charged with the murder of Khalil.