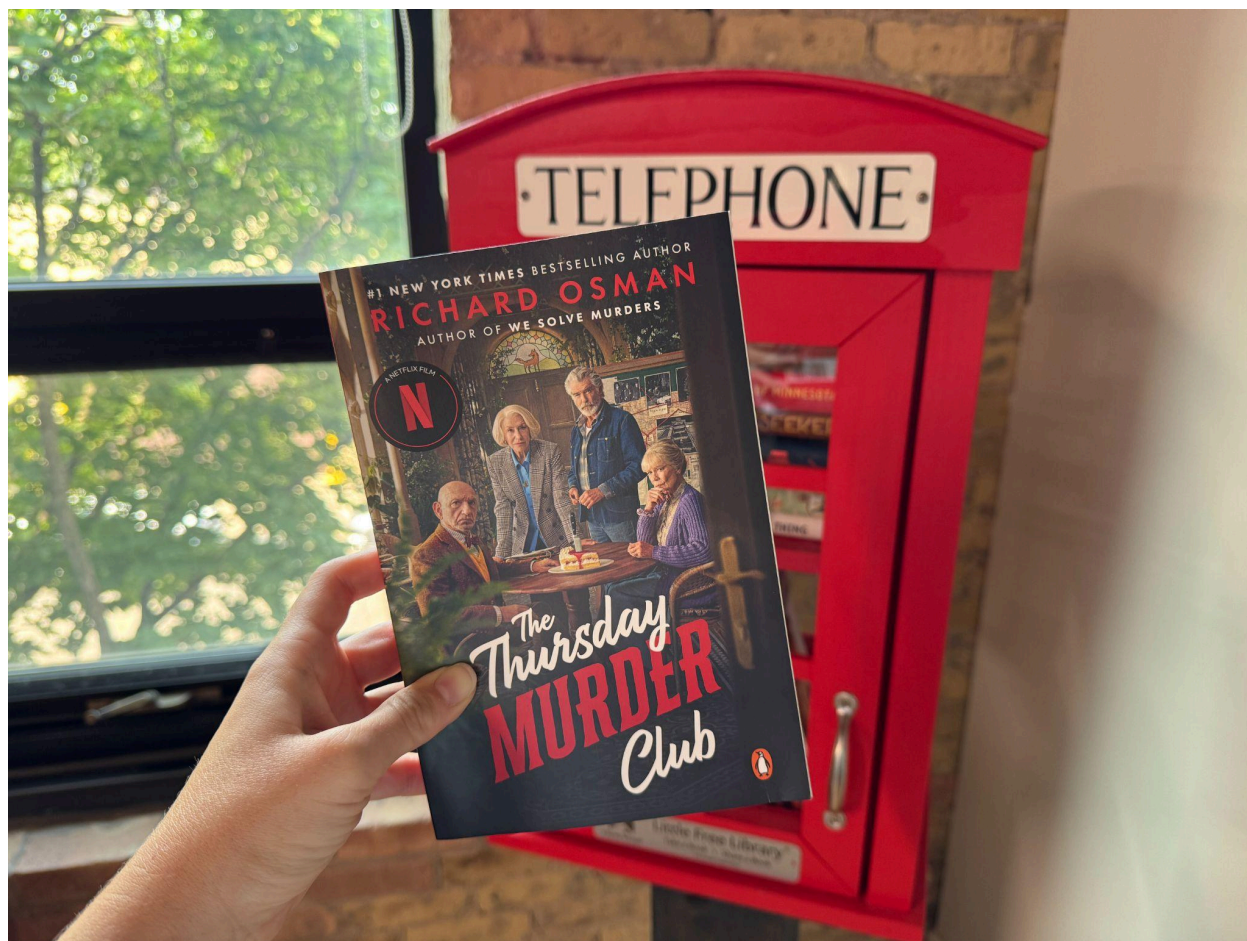




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**Little Free Library and Penguin Books Celebrate Release of  
*The Thursday Murder Club* Movie by Sharing Books in Little  
Free Libraries Nationwide**

*Readers can use the Little Free Library mobile app to track down 200 copies of Richard Osman's beloved mystery novel hidden in book-sharing boxes across the country.*

**St. Paul, MN (August 27, 2025)** – Little Free Library® (LFL) is teaming up with Penguin Books to celebrate the premiere of *The Thursday Murder Club* movie on Netflix by giving away 200 copies of Richard Osman’s bestselling novel in Little Free Libraries across the United States.

Directed by Chris Columbus (*Mrs. Doubtfire*, *Harry Potter*), the Netflix film stars Helen Mirren, Pierce Brosnan, Ben Kingsley, and Celia Imrie. The story follows a group of sharp-witted retirees who meet weekly to solve cold cases—until they find themselves caught in a murder mystery of their own. The film premieres on Netflix on **Thursday, August 28**.

“Our nonprofit’s mission is to expand access to books for everyone, and this partnership is a fun way to put stories directly into people’s hands,” said Margret Aldrich, Director of Communications and Media Relations at Little Free Library. “We invite readers to hunt for a copy of *The Thursday Murder Club* in a Little Free Library near them—just like the sleuths in the story, you’ll need a sharp eye to find one!”

### **How to Find *The Thursday Murder Club* in a Little Free Library:**

1. Open the **Little Free Library mobile app**.
2. Tap the magnifying glass in the top-right corner.
3. Select “**Near Me**” and set your preferred distance range.
4. Filter by the tag “**The Thursday Murder Club**.”

### **Chris Columbus, reflecting on why he chose to adapt Osman’s novel, shared:**

“I fell in love with Richard’s book. It’s that rare murder mystery that is equally thrilling, hilarious, and emotional. I could see the movie unfolding in my head as I read—it was a story I knew I had to bring to the screen.”

### **Columbus also praised the work of Little Free Library stewards:**

“The love of books, the appreciation of great literature—these are things that should be shared with the world. Little Free Libraries make that possible, giving access to stories that can inspire and even change lives.”

### **Author Richard Osman added his admiration for the global Little Free Library movement:**

“Life needs magic and life needs heroes, and Little Free Libraries provide both.”

**Read Little Free Library’s full interview with Chris Columbus and Richard Osman [HERE](#).**

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### **ABOUT LITTLE FREE LIBRARY**

Little Free Library® (LFL) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that builds community, inspires readers and expands book access for all through a global network of volunteer-led Little Free Library book-sharing

boxes. There are more than 200,000 registered Little Free Libraries worldwide in all 50 states, in 128 countries and on all 7 continents. Through them, over 400 million books have been shared since 2009. LFL received the 2020 World Literacy Award as well as honors from the Library of Congress, National Book Foundation and others. The organization grants Little Free Libraries full of books to underserved areas through its Impact Library and Indigenous Library programs and champions diverse books through its Read in Color initiative. To learn more, visit [LittleFreeLibrary.org](https://LittleFreeLibrary.org).