

## ***Oz and the Musical: Performing the American Fairy Tale* Book Talk:** **Ryan Bunch**

Ryan Bunch will discuss his book *Oz and the Musical: Performing the American Fairy Tale*, exploring how the “American fairy tale” and the “American art form” of the musical have influenced each other for more than a century. In addition to stage and screen productions of *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Wiz*, and *Wicked*, Bunch will talk about Oz plays at home and in community theater performances, the current Broadway and touring revival of *The Wiz*, and the upcoming film adaptations of *Wicked: Part 1 & 2*. Each of these musicals reflects and encourages the performance of American identity in its time and fashion.