



BEING MORTAL: A PUBLIC SCREENING & DISCUSSION

Join the conversation on the options of care for us
and our loved ones when faced with a serious illness.

Based on the acclaimed book by Boston Surgeon Dr. Atul
Gawande, this Frontline documentary aired originally on PBS
in 2015. It has since been made part of a nation-wide
community outreach project by
the Hospice Foundation of America.

Wednesday, January 11 · 5:30 p.m.

South Regional Library

6101 Lafayette, LA

Admission is free of charge but space is limited.
Contact Lynn Rayburn, RN, CHPN at 232-1234 or
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**“There are two
unfixables in life, aging
and death.”**

So begins this candid
discussion by a skilled
surgeon who confronts the
fact that often what matters
most in end-of-life care is the
ability of physicians to
engage patients and their
family members in open and
sensitive dialogs about their
prognosis and the options
available to them.

The hour-long documentary is
narrated by Dr. Gawande and
delicately follows the plan of
care of several patients at the
end of life, including that of
his own father. Each story
features the patient – ranging
in age from a 34-year-old
mother of a newborn to the
senior Dr. Gawande – family
members and physicians and
offers a glimpse into the
heart-wrenching but
necessary discussions about
options of care, future
wishes, and the role of
hospice.

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