

JANUARY 2024

# EDWARDSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Youth Events & Programs

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Sign up begins Jan. 1 for programs requiring registration.

### Take Home Crafts

#### New Monthly Craft

Stop by the Youth Library to pick up the latest craft bag available. Each bag includes the materials needed to make a craft at home.

### Pokémon Hangout

#### Registration Required

Wednesday, Jan. 17  
4-5pm | Ages 7-12

Do you want to be the very best, like no one ever was? Gather with fellow Pokémon enthusiasts, practice your Trading Card Game (TCG) skills, try themed activities, and more!

### Drop-In Play Time: Sensory Fun!

Thursday, Jan. 18  
10 - 11am | Ages 1-5

Enjoy engaging sensory activities! This event is open to all families and is especially great for those with multi-sensory needs.

### Read to a Dog

Registration Required  
Saturday, Jan. 20  
at 10am | Grades K-5

A therapy dog is visiting the library and wants to listen to you read! Each young reader will have a 15-minute session with the dog-on-duty.

### Lego Club

Thursday, Jan. 25  
4-5pm | Ages 5-12

Just bring your imagination - we'll supply the Legos! Drop in during the hour to build something completely new.



## STORY TIME SESSIONS

*Our Story Time Sessions last for 10 weeks. No registration required to attend!*

### Books for Babies Lapsit

Tuesdays, Jan. 23 - Mar. 26  
at 10am | Age 0-23 months

### Time for Twos

Wednesdays, Jan. 24 - Mar. 27  
at 10am | Age 2 years

### Preschool Story Time

Thursdays, Jan. 25 - Mar. 28  
at 10am | Ages 3-5 years

### Family Story Time

Saturday, Jan. 13 (monthly)  
at 10am | All Ages Welcome  
Wednesdays, Jan. 24 - Mar. 27  
(weekly)  
at 6:30pm | All Ages Welcome



# TEEN PROGRAMS **Grades 6-12**

Sign up begins Jan. 1 for programs requiring registration.



## Game Night

**Tuesdays, Jan. 23 - Apr. 30  
6-7:30pm**

Go on a quest with fellow players in the classic collaborative role-playing game Dungeons & Dragons, or try out our many other tabletop games.

## Crochet Club

**Registration Required  
Mondays, Jan. 22 & 29  
3:30-5pm**

Whether you're new to crochet or a seasoned stitcher, come join us to learn new techniques, share tips, and connect with other crochet enthusiasts. If you have your own supplies and project, bring it along. We will have some basic supplies available.

## Teen Advisory Board

Join us to share ideas about how to make the library a great place for teens! Check our [TAB site](#) to learn more & apply!

## BOOK CLUB

**Jan. 31 | 4-5pm**

**Gideon Green  
in Black and White  
by Katie Henry**

Get a free copy of the book at the Youth Desk when you register!

Gideon's short-lived run as a locally-famous boy detective ended when middle school started, and everyone else—including his best friend, Lily—moved on

while Gideon kept holding on to his trench coat, fedora, and his treasured film noir collection. Now, he's sixteen and officially retired. That is, until Lily shows up suddenly at Gideon's door, needing his help.

## Free Play Saturday Nintendo Switch

**Saturdays | 12-4pm**

Get your game on in the Teen Room during this time, playing games like Smash Bros, Mario Kart, and more! Just ask at the desk to get started. First come, first served.

## Mosaic Picture Frame DIY Kit

**Registration Required  
Pickup between Jan. 21 - 27**  
Puzzle together colorful glass pieces to make a mosaic masterpiece that can hold a favorite photo. Pick up your kit at the Youth Desk during the designated week above.

## Perler Bead Brigade

**Registration Required  
Tuesday, Jan. 23 | 3:30-5:30pm**  
Pixelate your world! Create cool designs using perler beads during the session. Materials & some design ideas will be available, but feel free to bring your own plan!



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## Library Hours:

Monday-Thursday	9am - 8pm
Friday	9am - 6pm
Saturday	9am - 5pm
Sunday	1pm - 5pm

Visit the "How Do I...?" section of our website to sign up to get the latest library news sent to your email!

# January

## Adult Events @ your library

### Chair Yoga

Saturdays, January 6th & 20th  
10 AM

Instructor Julie Hamilton leads this class using many common yoga poses. Perfect for seniors and folks with disabilities or challenges such as chronic illness, pain, or stiffness. Yoga mats are not provided; bring your own for added chair stability.

### Calvin Riley Author Talk "Black St. Louis"

Monday, January 8th  
6 PM

Come meet Calvin Riley, Founder and Director of the George B. Vashon Museum, as he speaks about his new book Black St. Louis. Black St. Louis explores the rich and inspiring history of African Americans in St. Louis from the city's founding as a French fur trading post during the Spanish colonial era to the new millennium. Black St. Louis covers more than 250 years of history to tell the stories of extraordinary people who helped pave the way for the St. Louis we know today. Mr. Riley will be selling and signing copies of his new book following his presentation.

### Recovery Without Stigma

Wednesday, January 17th  
6 PM

Mark Knott, from the Metro East Recovery Council, will be discussing the stigma of substance abuse disorder and how to deal with this sensitive and personal issue in a non-judgmental manner. Mark will also provide NARCAN training with boxes of NARCAN available for those participating who would like to have it on hand for emergencies.

### Indie Lens Film Screening: "Razing Liberty Square"

Sunday, January 14th  
2 PM

The Edwardsville Public Library is excited to announce the launch of Indie Lens Pop-Up, our community screening series! Each documentary screening will be followed up with an audience discussion led by knowledgeable members of our community.

For January, join us in watching and discussing "Razing Liberty Square," about how the Liberty Square public housing community in Miami became ground zero for climate gentrification.

Discussion led by James Hanlon, Ph.D, SIUE Associate Professor, Department of Geography and Michelle Babb, President, Faith Coalition Edwardsville.

### Adult Anime Club

Wednesday, January 24th  
6 PM

Are you a fan of Japanese animation and want to hang out with other adults who share your love of Manga, Anime, and maybe even some Kaiju? Come join us at EPL's new Anime club! You will get a chance to talk to people who have the same interests, eat some Pocky, and watch a great piece of Anime. For our first meeting, we will be showing Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind.

### Sunrise Sunday Yoga

Sunday, January 14th  
9 AM (must arrive by 8:45 AM)  
Registration Required

It's January so it's way too cold to do yoga in the park but you can join us for a special sunrise Sunday yoga session in the reading room of the Edwardsville Public Library. Everyone knows that the view through the reading room windows is one of the best in town, well now you get a chance to enjoy it on a cold winter's morning from the warmth and comfort of your own yoga mat. Join Yoga Instructor Lisa Allen for an hour of peaceful yoga and meditation followed by coffee & snacks.  
**Yoga mats are not provided.**

### Nothing but Vinyl Club

Monday, January 29th  
6 PM

Vinyl is back, and EPL is where to get it. In addition to the new vinyl collection gracing our library shelves, you finally get a chance to listen to and share your favorite vinyl in the library with other enthusiasts, and no one is going to shush you!

## Movie Matinees

Join us in January for two adult movie matinees!  
Movies start at noon.

Jan 4



Barbie  
(2023)

Jan 18



Champions  
(2023)

## Illinois Libraries Present: Virtual Event

Registration required for Zoom link,  
scan QR code for more details.

Speculating about Our AI Future with  
Cory Doctorow, Ken Liu,  
and Martha Wells

Thursday, January 11th  
7 PM

Join us for a panel discussion featuring three best selling science fiction writers, Cory Doctorow, Ken Liu, and Martha Wells. They will discuss the promise, perils, and possible impacts that AI will have on our future, as well as AI in contemporary and future science fiction writing.



# Join a book club!

A supply of these books are available for checkout at the adult circulation desk.

### The Cozy Comics Club

Thursday, January 11th  
6:30 PM

If you are a long-time comics lover or just discovering the wonderful world of comic books and graphic novels, the Cozy Comics Club is for you. Each month we will read a new graphic novel and discuss the themes, action, art, and whatever else comes to mind.

For January, we will be discussing  
The Amazing Spider-Man.

### The Reader's Outpost

Monday, January 22nd  
6:30 PM

Interested in taking a reading journey through time and space, spanning multiple decades, with award winning authors? EPL's new Sci-Fi book club might be the one for you!

For January, we will be starting in the 1950's - discussing  
The Martian Chronicles by Ray  
Bradbury.

### Riveted Readers Book Club

Tuesday, January 30th  
6:30 PM

Like to read? We'd love to meet you! This club meets on the last Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm for a laid-back chat about adult books published in a variety of genres.

For January, we will be discussing  
A Fever in the Heartland  
by Timothy Egan.



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