

NOVEMBER 2023

EDWARDSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Youth Events & Programs

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Sign up begins Nov. 1 for programs requiring registration.

Fall Story Times

Share stories, songs, & bubbles together with your little one and story time friends! No registration required.

Books for Babies Lapsit

Tuesday, Nov. 14

(Nov. 7 session cancelled for voting)

at 10am | Ages 0-23 months

Time for Twos Story Time

Wednesdays, Sept. 6 - Nov. 8

at 10am | Ages 2 years

Preschool Story Time

Thursdays, Sept. 7 - Nov. 9

at 10am | Ages 3-5 years

Family Story Time

Saturday, Nov. 11

at 10am | All Ages Welcome

Read to a Dog

Registration Required

Saturday, Nov. 18

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.

Family Reading Night

Thursday, Nov. 16 at 6:30pm

Celebrate Family Reading Night with stories at the library and animal friends from Treehouse Wildlife Center.

Family Reading Night was started by Secretary of State, Jesse White, and this is the 32nd year of the program.

Techsplorers

Registration Required

Monday, Nov. 27

4-4:45pm | Grades 3-5

Get hands-on experience with cool tech! Join us to try out fun activities using STEM equipment.

Lego Club

Tuesday, Nov. 28

4-5pm | Ages 5-12

Just bring your imagination - we'll supply the Legos! Drop in during the hour to build something completely new. All creations will be displayed in the Youth Library until the next Lego Club!

Pokémon Hangout

Registration Required

Wednesday, Nov. 29

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, Nov. 30

10am - 12pm | Ages 1-5

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

EDWARDSVILLE FANDEMONIUM

Sunday, Nov. 12 | 1-4pm

It's Finally Here! The Edwardsville Public Library is celebrating our new Pop Culture Corner Collection with a mini convention.

On Sunday, November 12th from 1-4pm, we're hosting our inaugural Fandemonium, featuring nerdy trivia rounds, RPG & board game demos from Heroic Adventures and OtherSide Games, & a Lego masters building area with Bricks & Minifigs.

Plus, in City Park just outside the library, you'll be able to watch members of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) demonstrate medieval combat and talk about arms and armor.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to get a new, limited edition, comic book inspired library card.

**Bring the whole family,
there will be fun for all ages!**



TEEN PROGRAMS

Grades 6-12

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BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, Nov. 15

4-5pm

**On the Edge of the
Dark Sea of Darkness
by Andrew Peterson**

Registration Required

When the three gifted Igiby siblings find a mysterious map, they embark on an adventure to discover family secrets about the father they never knew and a hidden treasure that many have long desired to find.

But when their curiosity gets the entire Igiby family into trouble, soon the Igibys are scrambling for their lives.



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Game Night

Tuesdays, Sept. 5 - Nov. 21
6-7:30pm

Go on a quest with fellow players in the classic fantasy game, Dungeons & Dragons, or drop in with friends to play one of our table top games!

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! First come, first served.

CS Open Workspace

Registration Required

Mondays, Nov. 6 & 20 | 3:30-5pm

Introducing the CS Open Workspace - an inclusive place for teens to explore their interests in computer science, regardless of skill level. Whether you bring your own projects and devices or use the library's chromebooks for the session, this space is available to you! Additionally, library staff will be on hand to guide beginners to helpful resources that will support individual CS goals.

Perler Bead Brigade

Registration Required

Tuesday, Nov. 14 | 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 design plan!



Crochet Club

Registration Required

Monday, Nov. 13 | 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.

Woven Mug Rug DIY Kit

Registration Required

Pickup between Nov. 12-18

It's exactly as it sounds - a mini rug for your mug to sit upon! With this kit, you'll create your own loom to weave yarn and fashion a fun coaster to keep or gift. Pick up your kit at the Youth Desk during the designated week above.

Poetry Open Mic

Monday, Nov. 20 | 6:30pm

Take the mic and read a poem or lyrics of your choice! You can share original poems or lyrics, or a favorite selection by another artist. Everyone who attends can enter to win a door prize!

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!



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!



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November

adult events @ Edwardsville Public Library

Grow Solar Metro East: Solar Power Hour

Monday, November 6th
6:30 PM

"Grow Solar Metro East" is a grassroots residential and commercial part of the Midwest Renewable Energy Association. This program will offer information to local residents who are interested in switching to solar energy in conjunction with others in the Edwardsville area. Their Solar Power Hour teaches you the basics of solar, its financial implications, and how the program works.

Turning Points in St. Louis's LGBTQIA+ History

Monday, November 13th 6 PM

Queer history hasn't just taken place in New York and California. The Gateway City has a fascinating, complex, and inspirational LGBTQIA+ past of its own. Ranging across centuries, this presentation highlights some of the pivotal moments that shaped the diverse LGBTQIA+ communities of today's St. Louis.

This presentation is part of the Missouri History Museum Private Curator Experiences Series sponsored by SIUE Department of Educational Outreach.

Best of the Blues: The Greatest Players in Team History

Wednesday, November 29th
6:30PM

Author Dan O'Neill will be at the library to talk about the history of the great St. Louis Blues from their origins to the present. From Brett Hull and Wayne Gretzky to Bob Plager, Dan will be recounting the exciting legacy of the St. Louis Blues. Dan will be here to answer your questions about the Blues and will also be signing copies of his book, "Best of the Blues: The Greatest Players in Team History".

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1-4PM

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Christmas Drop & Swap

Do you have Christmas wrapping paper, ornaments, cards, or decorations that you no longer need? Bring it to the library for our first ever Christmas Drop & Swap. You can drop off your slightly used Christmas items at the library between November 15th - 17th during library hours to receive a ticket for first access to the swap. On Saturday November 18th, come back to the library with your ticket in hand to shop what other people donated and find some new treasures to take home with you! See below for daily time details.



Wednesday, November 15th:

- Drop off between 9am - 7pm

Thursday, November 16th:

- Drop off between 9am - 7pm

Friday, November 17th:

- Drop off between 9am - 5pm

Saturday, November 18th:

- Priority Access for Ticketholders who donated 10am - Noon
- Open to the Public Noon - 2pm

We will not accept Christmas trees or non-working lights

Chair Yoga

Saturdays, November 4th & 25th
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.

Crafts & Coffee

Saturday, November 11th
1 PM

Bring your own craft or hobby materials and work on your project with us! Coffee and coloring books will be provided.



Nothing but Vinyl Club

Monday, November 27th
6:30 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!

Illinois Libraries Present: Virtual Event

Registration required for Zoom link, visit our website for more details.

A Taste of Love with Maya-Camille Broussard of Justice of the Pies

Wednesday, November 8th 7 PM

Join Maya Camille Broussard, star of Netflix's Bake Squad, owner of Chicago based Justice of the Pies, and cookbook author, for a demo from her kitchen. Just in time for Thanksgiving, Chef Maya-Camille will share her love of pie, stories of those that inspired her, and tips and tricks to help you make the perfect pie. Her first book, Justice of the Pies: Sweet and Savory Pies, Quiches and Tarts Plus Inspirational Stories from Exceptional People, was published in 2022. In the summer of 2023, Broussard opened her first Justice of the Pies storefront on the South Side of Chicago to rave reviews. Being hearing impaired, Broussard works hard to set an example for young bakers by telling the story of her struggles and success, and works to celebrate the atypical through her baking.

Book Clubs

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

The Cozy Comics Club

Thursday, November 9th 6:30 PM

If you are a long-time comics lover or just discovering the wonderful world of comic books and graphic novels, the library's newest book club, 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. November will be our first meeting and, although we won't have a title to discuss, we will be talking about upcoming titles and what to expect from this exciting new book club.

The Riveted Readers Book Club

Tuesday, November 28th 6:30 PM

Cultish: The Language of Fanaticism
by Amanda Montell

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.

Movie Matinee

Bring a brown bag lunch, and we'll provide drinks and popcorn.



Thursday, November 9th

Noon

Planes, Trains, and Automobiles (1987)

"Easily excitable Neal Page is somewhat of a control freak. Trying to get home to Chicago to spend Thanksgiving with his wife and kids, his flight is rerouted to a distant city in Kansas because of a freak snowstorm, and his sanity begins to fray."



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