

Winter & Spring 2020 Events & Programs • Youth Services Newsletter

Children's Events

Sign up for events requiring registration beginning January 27.



Read to a Dog

Registration Required

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

6:00-7:00pm

A C.H.A.M.P. therapy dog will be visiting the library and wants to listen to you read! On the day of the event, each registered child will be notified of their 10-minute time slot with the pup on duty. Please register for each evening you wish to attend.

Afterschool Readers Club

Registration Required

Tuesdays, Feb. 11, Mar. 10, & Apr. 14

4:00-5:00pm | For Grades 1-3

Join us for a new read-aloud each month with a fun activity based on the book!



School's Out Movie Matinee

Monday, Feb. 17 | 1:00pm

Spend your day off from school with us for a feature film and free popcorn! Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult. Contact the library for the movie title.

Lego Club

Thursdays, Feb. 20, Mar. 19, & Apr. 16

4:00-5:00pm | For Ages 5-12

Bring your imagination, and we'll supply the Legos! Creations will be displayed in the Youth Library until the next Lego Club meeting.

Techsplorers

Registration Required

Mondays, Feb. 24, Mar. 23, & Apr. 27

For Grades 1-2 | 4:00-4:45pm

For Grades 3-5 | 5:00-5:45pm

Get hands-on experience with new tech! Each month will feature an exciting STEM activity.



Google CS First Coding Club

Registration Required

Wednesdays, Mar. 4-Apr. 22

4:00-5:00pm | For Grades 3-5

Students will use code to tell fun and interactive stories.

Storytelling emphasizes creativity by encouraging students to tell a unique story each week. No coding experience is necessary!

Build a Fairy Garden

Registration Required

Sunday, Apr. 19 | 2:00-3:00pm

For Ages 5 & Up

Plant, design, and take home your own fairy garden as we prepare for Earth Day at the library!



1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Read books to your newborn, infant, or toddler, and keep track on Beanstack to earn badges and rewards! The goal is to have read 1,000 books before your little one starts Kindergarten. For more information, visit our [website](http://edwardsvillelibrary.beanstack.com) or go to <http://edwardsvillelibrary.beanstack.com>.

Story Time

Registration Required

Story Times begin the week of February 3 and meet for ten weeks. All sessions include stories, songs, and bubbles!

Books for Babies

Mondays at 10:00am

Fun for Ones

Mondays at 11:00am

Time for Twos

Tuesdays at 10:00am & 11:00 am
Includes a craft.

Preschool (Ages 3-5)

Wednesdays at 10:00am
Thursdays at 10:00am & 1:00pm
Includes a craft.

Our newsletter is available at the library, online, and at several of our community partner locations!

Visit the "How Do I" page on our website to sign up to receive a newsletter via email.

TEEN & SPECIAL EVENTS 

Teen Events

For Grades 6-12

Sign up for events requiring registration beginning January 27.

Game Night

Tuesdays | 7:00-8:30pm
Play Dungeons & Dragons, or try one of the many other table top games available!

Girls Who Code

Registration Required

Saturdays, Feb. 15-Apr. 11
10:00am-12:00pm

Girls Who Code is a national non-profit organization dedicated to closing the gender gap in technology. The Girls Who Code Club will get hands-on experience with computer coding and work together on a computer science project.



International Snack Club

Registration Required

Thursdays, Feb. 13, Mar 12, & Apr. 9
4:00-5:00pm

Try a new set of snacks from around the world each month!

Teen Advisory Board

Wednesdays, Feb. 19, Mar. 18,
& Apr. 15 | 7:00-7:30pm

Join us at our monthly meetings and share ideas about making the library a great place for teens. Apply online! Meetings this Winter & Spring will be held prior to teen events on the same evening, so stick around for more fun!



Book Speed Dating

Registration Required

Wednesday, Feb. 19 | 7:30-8:30pm

See if sparks fly with a new novel as you spend a little time getting to know eligible books of various genres. Who knows? You may fall in love!

Nailed It!

Registration Required



Wednesday, Mar. 18 | 7:30-8:30pm

Decorate a delicious disaster as you attempt to recreate a dessert work-of-art!

Super Smash Showdown

Registration Required

Saturday, Mar. 14 | 1:00-4:00pm

Enter the tournament to test your Super Smash Bros. Ultimate skills against opponents on the Nintendo Switch. There can only be one winner! Will it be you?

Self-Care Sundays

Registration Required



Unplug and unwind at this self-care series led by Kendra Sweezey-Errar. Bring a journal and yoga mat (or small blanket) if you have one.

Please register for each session:

Sunday, Mar. 15 | 2:00-4:00pm

During this holistic show and tell, you will be introduced to methods to reduce stress and clear your mind, including the use of journaling, essential oils, and meditation.

Sunday, May 3 | 2:00-4:00pm

Prepare for the end of the semester and exams through guided meditation and activities to gain focus for achieving your goals.

Make & Take

Registration Required

Wednesday, Apr. 15 | 7:30-8:30pm

Paint your own abstract art to hang on a wall at home! We will be instructed by a Creativebug tutorial video. All materials included.

Poetry Open Mic

Thursday, Apr. 30 | 7:00-8:30pm

Take a turn at the mic to read original poems and lyrics, or a favorite selection by another artist. Enjoy refreshments, and enter a drawing for your chance to win a prize!

Special Events

Preschool Valentine's Dance Party

Saturday, Feb. 8 | 10:30am
For Ages 3-5

Dance to your heart's content! At this Valentine's Dance Party, we're going to share sweet stories, sing along with fun songs, and dance 'til we drop!



Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Drop-Off: Friday, May 1
9:00am-6:00pm

Pick-Up: Saturday, May 2
10:00-11:00am

Drop off your favorite stuffed animal or doll any time before 6:00 pm on Friday, May 1 for a fun-filled sleepover at the library, and then join us at 10:00 am on Saturday, May 2 for a light breakfast and a photo slideshow of the slumber party! This program is in celebration of Children's Book Week, May 3-9.

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Library Hours:

Monday-Thursday | 9:00am-9:00pm

Friday | 9:00am-6:00pm

Saturday | 9:00am-5:00pm

Sunday | 12:00pm-5:00pm

WINTER/SPRING 2020 EVENTS AND PROGRAMS | ADULT SERVICES

Programs that require registration will be **noted**. Registration for these events begins on **January 27** at 9:00 AM unless otherwise stated. Call (618) 692-7556 or visit edwardsvillelibrary.org to register.

EVANSTON'S LIVING HISTORY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 | 1:00 PM

Join us for a documentary screening and discussion with filmmaker Craig Dudnick. Evanston's Living History is the story of a community's struggle for justice and the fight for the passage of United States Senate Resolution 39, which apologized for the failure of the Senate to enact anti-lynching legislation.

CRAFT STASH SWAP

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 | 10 AM - 4 PM

Are your hoards of crafting supplies outgrowing your cave? Come and destash at our Craft Stash Swap!

Drop off your donations of crafting supplies on January 23 or 24, and you'll get an early admission ticket. Early admission goes from 10 AM - 1 PM on Saturday the 25th. Open admission is 1 - 4 PM.

COLLEGE PLANNING WORKSHOP

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 | 6:30 - 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, FEB. 15 | 1:00 - 2:00 PM

Learn about the FAFSA form and all the other information you need to understand in order to maximize the amount of financial aid you are eligible to receive. **Registration is required. Registration opens January 16.**

MISSOURI RIVER 2,456: YELLOWSTONE TO THE ARCH BY KAYAK

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6 | 6:30 PM

In May of 2019, Mark Fingerhut set out to kayak the Missouri River. Three months and 2,456 miles later, Mark finished his kayak expedition, having raised more than \$4,000 for Missouri River Relief. Join us as Mr. Fingerhut shares his photos and experiences from this incredible journey.

YOUR CREDIT REPORT

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10 | 6:00 PM

Jason Reinneck, Assistant Vice President at Regions Bank, will help you understand your credit report in this educational seminar.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICANS ON STAMPS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 | 2:00 - 4:00 PM

This traveling museum will be on display in the community meeting room. Drop in to check out the collection and hear from the museum's curator, Charlene Blair. Blair has amassed her stamp collection for over 27 years and has turned her hobby into a non-profit organization.

BILL ON THE ROAD

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 | 7:00 PM

Bill Clevlen, author of 100 Things To Do In America Before You Die and Driving Across America, will be sharing ideas for places to visit, stories from his travels, and even a bit of trivia to encourage us to see new parts of the country.

EL SALVADOR AND THE FUTURE OF CENTRAL AMERICA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27 | 6:30 PM

This talk is part of the Lifelong Learning Library Speaker Series from SIUE Office of Educational Outreach. Presented by Olga Bezhanova, associate professor of Spanish literature.

THE MUSIC OF STAR WARS: A CELEBRATION OF JOHN WILLIAMS' FILM SCORES

MONDAY, MARCH 2 | 7:00 PM

Aaron Krerowicz returns to present his musical analysis of composer John Williams' iconic music. This 60-minute multimedia presentation showcases music from all nine episodes.

YOUR ROAD TO HOME OWNERSHIP

MONDAY, MARCH 9 | 6:00 PM

Jason Reinneck and Jeff Snook of Regions Bank will go through the pros and cons of owning a home and teach us about the mortgage application process. This seminar is for educational purposes only.

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BASICS OF DOWSING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11 | 6:00 PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 22 | 1:00 PM

Dowsing is an ancient art used to find things like water, using a divining rod. We can use this art to find lost items, such as keys, diamond engagement rings, wedding bands, dog tags, or any other keepsake items that matter to us.

BASICS OF NUCLEAR MEDICINE

THURSDAY, MARCH 19 | 7:00 PM

From improved scanning techniques to tissue-specific therapies, the current state of nuclear medicine includes an impressive set of technologies for the diagnosis and treatment of a number of diseases. Presented by Dr. Michael Shaw.

CAHOKIA: AMERICA'S FIRST CITY

MONDAY, MARCH 23 | 7:00 PM

Presented by Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site volunteer Bill Egan. Learn about Cahokia, its features, and its history. Topics include Monks Mound, Mound 72, the Grand Plaza, and more.

MAKING PAPER CHERRY BLOSSOM BRANCHES WITH CREATIVEBUG

THURSDAY, MARCH 26 | 7:00 PM

Cherry blossom season is in full swing, so join us for a fun craft to celebrate! We will be using Creativebug to create these beautiful branches which can be used to decorate your home. **Registration is required.**

SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK TASTING & TEA

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 | 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Edwardsville Public Library cordially invites you to an afternoon of edible treats and "genre tasting." Librarians will be your guides to find your next great read. Be prepared to be inspired to try something new! **Registration is required.**

SAVING FOR RETIREMENT

MONDAY, APRIL 13 | 6:00 PM

Jason Reinneck, Assistant Vice President at Regions Bank, will discuss the importance of saving for the future and help us develop a savings plan for retirement. This presentation is for educational purposes only.

SOME CHEMISTRY BEHIND THE COLORS WE SEE: PIGMENTS AND COLORS AND DYES, OH MY!

THURSDAY, APRIL 16 | 7:00 PM

This introductory talk will touch on purely physical means by which colors are generated, but will focus on how colors are the result of light absorption (and sometimes emission) by inorganic and organic substances. Presented by Dr. Michael Shaw.

BLACK HISTORY 101 MOBILE MUSEUM

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 | 12:00 - 3:00 PM

Khalid el-Hakim, founder and curator of the Black History 101 Mobile Museum, will bring some of the 7,000+ original artifacts of Black memorabilia dating from the trans-Atlantic slave trade era to hip-hop culture. Drop in to see this special one-day exhibit on display from 12-3 PM.

THE STORY OF THE BLACK COWBOY

THURSDAY, APRIL 23 | 7:00 PM

'Cowboy Mike' Searles will share his research and writings that provide insight into the lives and experiences of black cowboys and their importance in American history. Professor Searles is an Emeritus History Professor from Augusta University in Augusta, Georgia who has co-edited and contributed to several books on the Black Cowboy and Buffalo Soldiers.

FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH PETALED PAIL

SUNDAY, APRIL 26 | 1:00 PM

Explore the art of floral arrangements with Amy from Petaled Pail. Create a lovely floral arrangement for yourself or as a Mother's Day gift. Supplies are provided. **Registration is required.**

NAVIGATING RARE BOOKS WITH THE BOOK HOUSE

THURSDAY, MAY 7 | 7:00 PM

Want to know the value of your book collection? Looking to start a rare book collection? Michelle from The Book House in St. Louis will teach the basics of identifying rare books, how to maintain them, and where to find a reseller.

MOVIE MATINEES

Movie Matinees for adults start at noon in our meeting room. Bring a brown bag lunch, and we'll provide drinks and popcorn.

JANUARY 10 - Bette Davis plays heiress Charlotte Vale, who just needs to get out from under her mother's thumb and go on a voyage.

FEBRUARY 14 - In this 1987 classic, Patrick Swayze plays a dance instructor at a summer resort. Jennifer Grey co-stars.

MARCH 13 - Tom Hanks plays Fred Rogers in this 2019 film.

APRIL 10 - Dustin Hoffman plays actress Dorothy Michaels after other acting options don't pan out.

MAY 8 - Gal Gadot plays the princess of the Amazons in this DC superhero movie from 2017.

CHAIR YOGA

4TH WEDNESDAYS | 11:00 AM

JANUARY 22, FEBRUARY 26, MARCH 25, APRIL 22, AND MAY 27

Registered yoga teacher Julie Hamilton will lead these classes with many common yoga poses modified for seniors and others with mobility issues and chronic pain.

COLORING FOR GROWN-UPS

SATURDAYS | 2-4 PM

JANUARY 11, FEBRUARY 8, MARCH 7, APRIL 4, MAY 2

Join us for a relaxing and fun afternoon session of coloring.

We will provide colored pencils and adult coloring books along with refreshments.

COVENTRY CRAFTERS

Enjoy crafts, snacks, and lively conversation! Adult crafters bring portable crafts – needlework, quilting, scrapbooking, knitting, etc.

1st Monday of the month 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

MONDAYS: January 6, February 3, March 2, April 6, and May 4

1st & 3rd Friday of the month 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM

FRIDAYS: January 3, January 17, February 7, February 21, March 6, March 20, April 3, April 17, May 1, and May 15

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

MONTHLY MONDAY GROUP
7:00 – 8:00 PM

JANUARY 27 – ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF IVAN DENISOVICH
by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn

FEBRUARY 24 – TRIBES
by Sebastian Junger

MARCH 30 – NORTH WATER
by Ian McGuire

APRIL 27 – THE MANDIBLES
by Lionel Shriver

MAY 18 – BEYOND THE BEAUTIFUL FOREVERS
by Katherine Boo

#LITERALLY: A LITERARY FICTION BOOK CLUB
TUESDAYS
7:00 – 8:00 PM

JANUARY 21 – LANNY
by Max Porter

MARCH 17 – MILKMAN
by Anna Burns

MAY 19 – FRESHWATER
by Akwaeke Emezi

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