

# Bloomingtondale Public Library

## December/January Events

# Holiday Open House

Tuesday, December 3 | 6:45 – 8:45 p.m.

### Holiday fun for the whole family!

Join us for the Tree Lighting at 6:45 p.m. then come inside at 7:00 p.m. for  
Santa • Music • Crafts • Face Painting • Refreshments • Giveaways  
and more!



## Winter Reading Program for All Ages

December 16, 2019 –  
February 7, 2020



### ADULT & TEEN

Warm up with a good book! Join our Adult & Teen Winter Reading Challenge for a chance to win a \$25 Amazon gift card.

- Reading prize drawing – Log one book, earn one entry. All books count!
- Challenge prize drawing – Log one book in a challenge category, earn one entry. Read books in different genres and subjects to complete challenges.

Adults and teens can sign up in person or online at [www.mybpl.org/winterreading](http://www.mybpl.org/winterreading).

### YOUTH

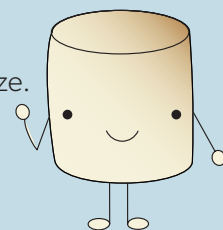
INFANTS –  
6TH GRADE

#### It's a marshmallow world in the winter!

Beginning Monday, December 16, you may register in person at the Youth Services Reference Desk to receive your information packet and starting prize.

Complete your reading log by reading for just three hours.

Turn in your log at the Youth Services Reference desk by Friday, February 7 to receive your final prize and be entered into the Grand Prize Drawing.



**BLOOMINGDALE  
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Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Closed Tuesday & Wednesday, December 24 & 25  
in observation of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day  
Closed Tuesday & Wednesday, December 31 & January 1  
in observation of New Year's Eve and New Year's Day

# Adult Programs



■ **Registration Required**

In Person: Reference Desk

By Phone: (630) 924-2730

Online: [www.mybpl.org](http://www.mybpl.org)

## DECEMBER

### ■ **Christmas in Williamsburg**

Monday, December 9 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Colonial Williamsburg is a magical place during the Christmas season. This slide lecture, presented by retired librarian and world traveler Nancy McCully, will show us the beautiful decorations, discuss Williamsburg's role as the colonial capital of Virginia, and demonstrate how you can make your own Williamsburg style decorations.

## JANUARY

### ■ **Grace Kelly: American Princess**

Monday, January 13 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

In this historical portrayal, award-winning actress and historian Leslie Goddard portrays the woman who transformed from a Hollywood superstar to a real-life princess.

### ■ **Heather Braoudakis Presents: Girls of the '50s**

Tuesday, January 14 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

They were the Girls of the '50s, our favorite female vocalists. It was a decade for women like Doris Day, Dinah Shore, Patti Page, Judy Garland, and Debbie Reynolds. Join us for a show featuring Heather Braoudakis, who will sing their hits and share their stories.

### ■ **The Christmas Canvas: Paintings of the Nativity Story**

Tuesday, December 10 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

This program, presented by Art Historian Jeff Mishur, is designed to emphasize images that are central to the meaning of the season. Some artists whose work will be discussed include Botticelli, Van Eyck, Tanner, Martini, Fabriano, Campin, and van der Goes.

### ■ **Charisma & Character: The Life of Cary Grant**

Tuesday, January 21 | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Historian Jim Gibbons presents a slideshow charting Grant's life, from unstable childhood to fame, stardom, and lavish lifestyle.

### ■ **Nifty Fifties Foods**

Monday, January 27 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Local author and vintage cookbook collector Amy Alessio is back to share hilarious recipes from the 1950s. Enjoy a humorous slideshow of vintage recipes we used to love along with a tasty snack inspired by the era. *Registration will begin on Sunday, December 1st and is limited to 40 adults.*

## COMING SOON!

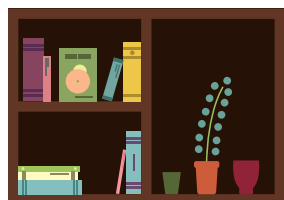
### **Music - Heather Braoudakis Presents: That's Amore**

Monday, February 10 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

### **History - Sally Rand: American Sex Symbol**

Tuesday, February 11 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Thank you to all who participated in our eighth annual **On the Same Page** series of programs and book discussions of *Ruthless River* by Holly FitzGerald. This program is made possible in part by our sponsors, Itasca Bank & Trust, Friends of the Bloomingdale Public Library, Friends of the Roselle Public Library, and Rotary Club of Bloomingdale-Roselle.



## book discussion groups

Selections are available at the Circulation Desk one month in advance of the discussion. If you have any questions, please call the Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

Monday Night



## Historical Book Discussion



### **Jefferson's Daughters: Three Sisters, White and Black, in a Young America** by Catherine Kerrison

Tuesday, December 10 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



### **Desperate Passage: The Donner Party's Perilous Journey West** by Ethan Rarick

Tuesday, January 7 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

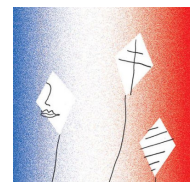
### **Our Favorite Picks Party (Drop-In)**

Monday, December 9 | 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Drop in for our end of year party! There's no book discussion this month. Instead, we'll be talking about our favorite picks of the year, while enjoying some light refreshments. A list of all shared titles will be available after the party, so you're sure to find some great book, movie, and TV show recommendations. All are welcome!

### **The Kites** by Romain Gary

Monday, January 20 | 7:30-8:30 p.m.





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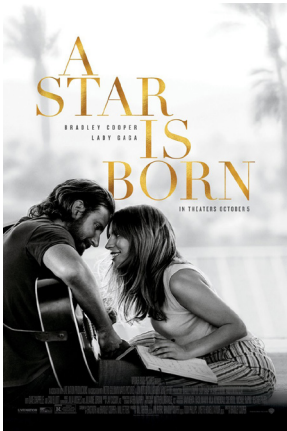
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## DROP-IN MOVIES

We'll supply the popcorn! Come enjoy a movie with us at BPL's Drop-In Movie and enter for a chance to win a copy of that day's movie on DVD.

Movie giveaway will be held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win.



### A Star Is Born

Wednesday,  
December 11  
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Rated: R



### Rocketman

Friday,  
December 13  
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

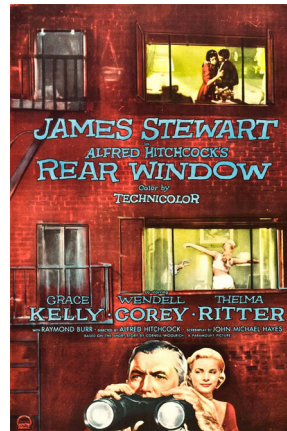
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### To Catch a Thief

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January 22  
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

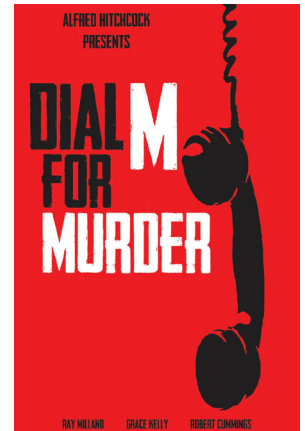
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### Rear Window

Friday,  
January 24  
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Rated: PG



### Dial M for Murder

Tuesday,  
January 28  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Rated: PG

## ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS

### Bloomington Seniors' Club (Drop-In)

Tuesdays, December 10 & January 14 | 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Do you enjoy playing cards and meeting others who share your interests? Join the Seniors' Club!

### ■ Great Decisions

No Meeting in December

Wednesday, January 15 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

### Genealogy Club (Drop-In)

No Meeting in December

Wednesday, January 15 | 6:30 – 8:45 p.m.

Now in Meeting Rooms A/B

### Featured Event in January

What's Been Done:

Using Someone Else's Genealogy Research

7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

### Explore More @ BPL

The Explore More Illinois cultural pass program is now available through your library! You can access discounts to museums, historical societies, and other attractions across the state 24/7 from any computer, tablet, or smartphone with a valid BPL library card.

Visit [mybpl.org/museumpass](http://mybpl.org/museumpass) for more information.



Join us for a live webinar by noted genealogist Thomas MacEntee. Whether you're new to genealogy or you've been working on your family history for years, incorporating the research of others can always be tricky. Here's how to develop a proven strategy to benefit from the work of other genealogists.



Teen Programs are open to 7th-12 graders unless otherwise noted.

## ■ **ACT Practice Test**

Saturday, December 7 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Stressing about taking the ACT? Take a full-length practice test to ward off test day jitters and see how you may score on the big test. Experience first-hand what test day will be like! A representative from C2 Education will provide a proctored practice test and contact you with scores and analyzed results. Don't forget to bring a couple of pencils, your calculator, and a snack to eat!

## ■ **Pop Tart Taste-Off**

Wednesday, December 11 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Which flavor will come out on top? Sample different kinds of Pop Tarts and rank them from best to worst!

## ■ **Meet Me at the Movies:**

***Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker***

Friday, December 27 | Time TBA

Meet me at the movies to watch *Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker*! Movie tickets and snacks will be provided. We will meet at The Picture Show, 324 Army Trail Rd, Bloomingdale, IL 60108. Meeting time is TBA. Limit 10.  
**Registration begins December 1.**



## ■ **Crystal Mud Jar**

Wednesday, January 8 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Create a dazzling jar of sparkly, crystal mud using water beads!

## **Teen Movie Night:**

***Maleficent: Mistress of Evil***  
**(Drop-In)**

Wednesday, January 29 | 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Join us as we watch *Maleficent: Mistress of Evil*. You can even enter for a chance to win the movie! Movie giveaway held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win.

# exam cram

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday  
December 17, 18, & 19

**(Drop-In)**

3:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Open to all high school students (Grades 9-12)

Get ready for finals at the library's Exam Cram!

We'll have group and quiet study areas, Wi-Fi, and computers.

We'll provide caffeine, snacks, and opportunities to de-stress – you provide the brain power!

● **Pizza served at 7:00 p.m.** ●

# ONGOING TEEN PROGRAMS

## **Game Night (Drop-In)**

Thursdays, December 12, December 26,  
January 9, January 23  
6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join other teens for gaming on our big screens or a tabletop! Check out the Nintendo Switch, race in Mario Kart 8, brawl in Super Smash Bros., battle in Overwatch, or discover your new favorite tabletop or board game!

## **Tabletop Gaming Club (Drop-In)**

Thursdays, December 5, January 2, January 16  
6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join other teens for tabletop gaming and some snacks! Run your D&D campaign or duel in your favorite collectible card game. Players of all games are welcome to attend.

## **TAB: Teen Advisory Board (Drop-In)**

Wednesday, January 15  
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Make your voices heard! Join us to meet over pizza to help plan programs for teens, make decisions for the library's teen space, play games, promote the library, earn volunteer hours, and more!



# Computer Services

Registration for computer classes is not required but is recommended to reserve seating and to make materials available.  
**To Register:** In Person: Reference Desk By Phone: (630) 924-2730 Online: [www.mybpl.org](http://www.mybpl.org)

## PROGRAMMING

### Intro to Python

Thursday, January 9 | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Learn the basics of this versatile and popular programming language.

### Intro to Python 2

Thursday, January 16 | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Building upon our previous class, we will continue to explore basic programming logic including: variables, expressions, logic statements, and loops. Expanding on this, we will learn how to build functions with all these attributes and do some light formatting for output statements.

## SMARTPHONES

### Using Android Phones 2

Monday, December 9 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Students will learn more about their Android phones, including account syncing, connections to the cloud, managing their files, pay by phone, and beyond.

### iPhone Basics

Thursday, December 12 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Learn to download and run apps, organize your icons, configure your settings, find and use your pictures, play your music, synchronize your phone with other devices, and much more.

## GET CREATIVE!

### Create Your Own Holiday Cards

Thursday, December 5 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

Students will learn to use Publisher to quickly create fun and distinctive greetings cards. Different card sizes, inserting pictures, layering objects, creative font tricks, and much more will go into designing your own unique holiday card.



### Photo Fun

Monday, December 16 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Michael

Students will learn basic skills for working with pictures including saving, copying, and attaching files, saving pictures off the web, low level photo editing & cropping, and more. The free program GIMP will be used.

### Video Editing & Sharing

Monday, January 20 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

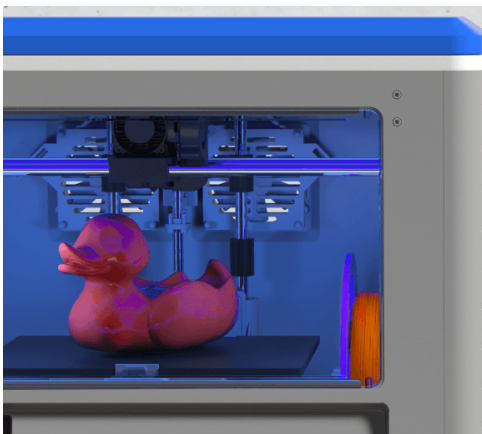
Want to crop, connect, change the audio, and sharpen up your videos before posting them on social media or sharing them with friends and family? Students will learn how to use desktop applications and phone apps for easy video editing and improvement.

### Online Travel Planning

Monday, January 6 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This class will teach students how to use many of the resources available online for travelers. Ways to save money as well as learning about your destination and avoiding unfortunate mistakes will be discussed. It's also a fun way to learn about using forums, online review sites, and other technology for practical purposes.

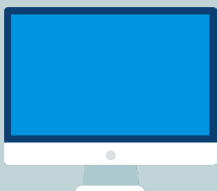


### 3D Printing

Thursday, January 30 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Salvador

Ever wanted to learn how to use a 3D printer? The Bloomingdale Library allows patrons to print objects using our equipment and it's easier than you might think! Come to class to learn how to find free designs on the web, make edits, and print them through [www.mybpl.org](http://www.mybpl.org).



## RENT-A-TECH

Have a computer question or need help with an online account? Computer Services staff can be reserved for one hour help sessions during select time slots every week. Contact Computer Services at **(630) 924-2766** or [bdcs@mybpl.org](mailto:bdcs@mybpl.org) to schedule an appointment.

# Kids' Corner



■ **Registration Required** In Person: Youth Services Desk

By Phone: (630) 924-2740

Online: [www.mybpl.org](http://www.mybpl.org)

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## DECEMBER

### ■ Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead

*Ages K-2 Please register for each class*

Mondays, December 2, December 16, January 6 and January 20  
4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Each month we incorporate Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math concepts through engaging experiments, activities, and projects.

### ■ Come Together (Drop-In)

*Ages 0-24 months*

Thursdays (except December 26 and January 2) | 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Every Thursday meet and chat with other parents & caregivers while your child socializes and explores with hands-on toys. \*Will be offered simultaneously with Baby Tales Storytime when in session.

Each week we will have coffee, donuts, and snacks available, generously donated by our friends at Bloomingdale Starbucks (170 E Lake Street), Bloomingdale Dunkin' (200 E Lake Street), and the Bloomingdale Public Library.

### ■ Baby, Let's Make Music (Drop-In)

*Ages 0-24 months*

Thursday, December 5 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Join us for a parade of fun! We will explore the world of sound using an array of musical instruments.

### ■ Storytime with a Surprise at Stratford Square (Drop-In)

*All Ages*

Thursday, December 5 and January 2 | 11:00 – 11:45 a.m.

Join us at Stratford Square Mall (meet in the Lower Level Café Court near the center of the mall) and receive a treat for being a good listener! All ages welcome; caregivers must remain with their children. December will be a special storytime with Santa!

### ■ Science and Fun with Frozen

*Grades K-6*

Thursday, December 5 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

We celebrate the new movie with science activities, games, and crafts for boys and girls.

### ■ Craft Time (Drop-In)

*All Ages*

Thursday, December 5 | 3:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Stop by the Youth Services department the first Thursday of every month to make a fun craft. We'll supply all the materials needed.

### ■ Family Holiday Movie (Drop-In)

#### *Mickey's Christmas Carol*

*All ages*

Sunday, December 8 | 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.

The Holiday Movie is back! Enjoy this holiday classic with treats, giveaways, and lots of holiday cheer.



### ■ Potty Party

*Ages 1-5 with caregiver*

Friday, December 6 | 10:30 – 11:00am

Toddlers of all stages of potty training are invited to a party with stories and songs to encourage and motivate potty training.

### ■ Storytime, Milk, and Cookies at Panera (Drop-In)

*All Ages*

Mondays, December 9 and January 13 | 9:30 – 10:15 a.m.

Location: Panera Bread, 370 W. Army Trail Road, Bloomingdale  
Enjoy a special themed storytime and nibble on some yummy cookies and milk from Panera!

### ■ Parent/Baby Holiday Storytime

*Ages 0-24 months*

Wednesday, December 11 | 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Location: Bloomingdale Park District Museum, 108 S. Bloomingdale Road  
We'll sing songs and get into the holiday spirit with some jubilant seasonal stories. **Register through the Bloomingdale Park District**

### ■ STEM Club: Tech Time

*Grades 3-6*

Thursdays, December 12, and January 9 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Libraries are more than books - they are a great place to learn technology too! Come get some hands-on time with tech at STEM Club!

### ■ Sensory Time

*Ages 3-8 (with caregiver)*

Saturdays, December 14 and January 18 | 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

A time at the library for special needs children filled with stories, songs, games, sensory stations, and more. Please email us at **bdys@mybpl.org** if you have any questions or concerns.

### ■ Playing with STEM (Drop-In)

*Ages 3-5*

Tuesday, December 17 | 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Start your child early with our fun play to learn program. Each week we will have different stations for kids to explore.

### ■ Reader's Theater

*Grades 3-6*

Wednesday, December 18 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Children will practice with scripts and then have a performance for their families.

### ■ Ginger-bleck!

*Grades K-2*

Thursday, December 19 | 4:15 – 5:00p.m.

Come learn about non-Newtonian fluids as you make holiday-scented oobleck.

### ■ Fa la la la Family Storytime (Drop-In)

*All Ages*

Friday, December 20 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Come get festive with songs, stories, and crafts of the season.



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## WINTER BREAK PROGRAMS

Come to the library for a variety of fun activities throughout Winter Break!

### **Fast As You Can, Find Our Gingerbread Man (Drop-In)**

December 23 – January 3

Help! Our gingerbread men have run away! Can you help us find them? Each day 6 gingerbread people will be hidden around the Youth Services Department. Find one and receive a sticker!

### **Bingo Blast (Drop-In)**

Grades 1-6

Monday, December 23 | 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Start your break with some Bingo fun. Drop in anytime and stay as long as you like.

### ■ **Bubble Blow Out New Year's Eve Party**

2-3 years old with caregiver

Friday, December 27 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Rock out and celebrate the New Year! We will dance, read stories, and blow bubbles as we count down to our own ball drop!

### **Winter Break Movie: Toy Story 4 (Drop-In)**

All Ages

Monday, December 30 | 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Drop in and watch the newest DVD releases here at the library. Children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Craft Time (Drop-In)**

All Ages

Thursday, January 2 | 1:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Stop by the Youth Services department the first Thursday of every month to make a fun craft. **January Craft Time is expanded for Winter Break.**

### ■ **Lunch Box Pals**

Ages 4-6

Friday, January 3 | 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Enjoy lunch time at the library. Pack a lunch and enjoy the lunch hour with friends. We'll enjoy crafts, games, and stories.

## Valentines for Veterans

Monday, December 16 – Thursday, January 30

Patrons are invited to make Valentine cards for men and women serving in the military and for veterans in **Hines Veteran's Hospital**.

Art and card supplies will be available at the Youth Services desk. Stop by and make a card to show how much we care.

## JANUARY

### **What Do YOU See? (Drop-In)**

All Ages for all of January

Drop by throughout January to take our weekly drawing challenges and see what everyone's imagination has created!

### **We Love eBooks, You Can Too! (Drop-In)**

All Ages

Thursdays in January | 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Come to the Youth Service Desk during these times and we will walk you through getting started and help you find some great eBooks for your kids!

### ■ **Readers and Eaters - NEW STORYTIME**

Grades K-2

Mondays, January 6 through February 3 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Happy books for our elementary kiddos! Read fun stories and poems about food, then make a snackivity all by yourself!

### **FLF – Finger Looping Fun (Drop-In)**

Grades 3-6

Wednesday, January 15 | 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Join the Finger Looping craze and bundle up with your very own handmade scarf. Materials included.

### ■ **HOMESCHOOL ART SERIES: Abstract Art**

Families

Thursday, January 16 | 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Come try Abstract art with Wassily Kandinsky and Jackson Pollock.

### **Daniel Laib Presents: Magic and Art Show (Drop-In)**

All Ages

Monday, January 20 | 1:00 – 1:45 p.m.

Enjoy the day off school with Daniel Laib as he combines magic, optical illusions, and live art in this entertaining family show.

### ■ **Homeschool 3D Printing Workshop**

Families

Tuesday, January 21 | 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Come learn how to make simple objects on our 3D printer. Learn how you can create items at home and pick them up, fully finished, from the library, and more!

### ■ **Say G'Day to Australia**

Grades K-2

Thursday, January 23 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Learn about Australia with food, stories, crafts, and fun!

### **Community Helper Storytime - Post Office (Drop-In)**

Ages 1-5 with caregivers

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Join us for a special storytime with our helpers from our community.

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## Storytimes

Preschoolers of all ages can join us for a storytime. The Youth Services department provides age-appropriate interactive fun with stories, sign language, music, and more. Each program runs for six weeks. Winter Storytimes begin the week of **January 6 and end on February 7.**

### STORYTIMES SCHEDULE THROUGH FEBRUARY 7

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>■ <b>Readers and Eaters</b> Grades K-2 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Books and snackivities for little foodies who've grown beyond Happy Books storytime.</p> <p>■ <b>Happy Books, Happy Cooks</b> Ages 3-5 7:00 – 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>A storytime for all the budding chefs.</p>	<p><b>Preschool Storytime</b> Ages 3-5 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>LIMITED STORYTIMES</b> Open to the first 20 children to arrive for storytime</p>	<p><b>Toddler Storytime</b> Ages 2-3 with caregiver 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Baby Tales</b> 0-24 months with caregiver 10:10 – 10:30 a.m. and 10:40 – 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>During this storytime, we will introduce your baby to books, songs, rhymes, and movement that will aid in the development of early literacy skills.</p>	<p><b>Family Storytime</b> <i>All ages with caregiver</i> 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.</p> 

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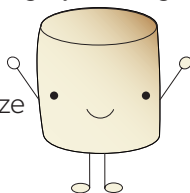


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