

APRIL

Iowa City Public Library

KIDS AND FAMILY CALENDAR



SUNDAY
12 pm - 5 pm

MONDAY
10 am - 9 pm

TUESDAY
10 am - 9 pm

WEDNESDAY
10 am - 9 pm

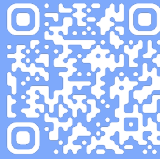
THURSDAY
10 am - 9 pm

FRIDAY
10 am - 8 pm


SATURDAY
10 am - 6 pm



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<p>1</p> <p>Spanish Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> <p>LEGO Club 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p>	<p>2</p> <p>StoryJAM 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Preschool Stories & More! 10:30AM Storytime Room</p> <p>Totally Tweens: Create Your Own Sticker 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Book Babies Storytime 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> 	<p>5</p> <p>StoryJAM 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p>
<p>6</p> <p>Chess Butterflies 12:15 PM Storytime Room</p> <p>Sunday Fun Day: Pasta Jewelry 2:00 PM Storytime Room</p> 	<p>7</p> <p>Chinese Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> <p>Chess Club 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Spanish Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> <p>Books to Cooks Club: Grilled Cheese? Yes, Please! 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p> <p>Girls Who Code Club 4:00 PM Digital Media Lab</p>	<p>9</p> <p>StoryJAM 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> 	<p>10</p> <p>Preschool Stories & More: Tippi Toes 10:30AM Meeting Room A</p> <p>Totally Tweens: Mario Kart Meetup & Card Games 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Sunday Fun Day: Giant Paper Plate Flowers 2:00 PM Storytime Room</p> 	<p>14</p> <p>Chinese Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> <p>CHINESE BILINGUAL Storytime</p>  <p>Pokemon Club 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Spanish Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> <p>World Club: Dutch Windmills 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p> <p>Girls Who Code Club 4:00 PM Digital Media Lab</p>	<p>16</p> <p>StoryJAM 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Preschool Stories & More! 10:30AM Storytime Room</p> <p>Totally Tweens: Scientweens 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p>
<p>20</p> <p>Sunday Fun Day: April Showers 2:00 PM Storytime Room</p> 	<p>21</p> <p>Chinese Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> <p>Chess Club 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Spanish Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> <p>Book to Art Club: Sonya's Chickens 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p> <p>Girls Who Code Club 4:00 PM Digital Media Lab</p>	<p>23</p> <p>StoryJAM 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Preschool Stories & More: Precuil's Music Together Storytime 10:30AM Storytime Room</p> <p>Totally Tweens: Comics & Cookies: Bog Myrtle 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p>
<p>27</p> <p>Chess Butterflies 12:15 PM Storytime Room</p> <p>Sunday Fun Day: Spring Pom Resist Art 2:00 PM Storytime Room</p> 	<p>28</p> <p>Chinese Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p> <p>Pokemon Club 4:00 PM Storytime Room</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Spanish Bilingual Storytime 11:30 AM Storytime Room</p> <p>SPANISH BILINGUAL Storytime</p>  <p>Girls Who Code Club 4:00 PM Digital Media Lab</p>	<p>30</p> <p>StoryJAM 10:30 AM Storytime Room</p>	<p>Tween Program (3 - 6 Grade)</p> <p>Kids Program</p> <p>Family Program</p> <p>● Registration Required For more information visit icpl.org/calendar</p>

SPECIAL STORYTIMES

EID ALL-AGES STORYTIME CELEBRATION

Tuesday, April 12, 4:30 PM, Storytime Room

Eid al-Fitr is a holiday celebrated by Muslims around the world, marking the end of the month of Ramadan, when Muslims fast from sunup to sundown. Join City High student leaders Miamen and Anbar to learn about the meaning and customs of Eid, and how their families and cultures of origin celebrate this major holiday! We'll enjoy some picture books and songs celebrating Eid as well. After storytime, make a craft, enjoy an Eid snack, and get a small henna design painted on your hand!

FAMILY STORYTIME: ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION!

Friday, April 25, 4:00 PM Storytime Room

Green Iowa AmeriCorps and ICPL are teaming up with the Neighborhood Forest to inspire youth environmentalism and offer story time, fun activities, and lessons on tree planting and care.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

BOOKS TO COOKS: GRILLED CHEESE? YES, PLEASE!

Tuesday, April 8, 4:00 PM, Storytime Room

April 12th is National Grilled Cheese Day, so we are celebrating early with a new story called "Grilled Cheese? Yes, Please!" by Tim Kley. After the story we will have all the ingredients and supplies needed to make a custom, delicious grilled cheese sandwich!

BRIGHT FUTURE: CELEBRATING THE IOWA CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Friday, April 11, 7:30 PM, Meeting Room A

Join us for a brilliant evening at the Iowa City Public Library as we celebrate and support our Library! "Bright Future: Celebrating the Iowa City Public Library" is a special after-hours fundraising party dedicated to fostering appreciation and growth of our beloved library. Visit www.supportICPL.org/bright-future for details and tickets!

WORLD CLUB: DUTCH WINDMILLS

Tuesday, April 15, 4:00 PM, Storytime Room

Join us in today's program for a mix of springtime fun, learning, and crafting as we celebrate this vibrant season and the iconic symbols of the Netherlands. Test your knowledge with fun trivia questions about Dutch culture, history, and landmarks, then let's craft a delightful windmill using paper cups.

CHILDREN'S DAY & BOOK DAY FIESTA

Friday, April 18, 1:00 PM, Meeting Room A

Come celebrate Children's Day & Book Day with us! Join us in Meeting Room A at 1 PM for an exciting storytime with Iowa's legendary lucha libre wrestler, Latin Thunder. We'll have crafts, face painting, and popcorn—lots of fun activities you won't want to miss!

UI YOUTH BALLET ENSEMBLE SPRING CONCERT SHOW CASE

Saturday, April 19, 2:30 PM, Meeting Room A

Dancers will perform pieces from their 2025 Spring Concert, Fairy Tales: Stone Soup & Mother Goose. A creative dance geared towards ages 10 and under will be taught inspired by the performance. All ages are welcome to participate in this fun activity.

BOOKS TO ART CLUB: SONYA'S CHICKENS

Tuesday, April 22, 4:00 PM, Storytime Room

Sonya's Chickens, by Phoebe Wahl, is a children's book about a girl who raises three chickens and learns about loss, love, and the circle of life. After reading the story together, we will use several art techniques to make cute and realistic paper plate chickens!

NATURE DETECTIVES: KICKOFF TO THE CITY NATURE CHALLENGE

Saturday, April 26, 1:00 PM, Digital Media Lab

Drop by on April 26 to gear up for the 2025 City Nature Challenge, a fun, global wildlife adventure happening April 25-28. Learn how to use the iNaturalist app, get tips on spotting wildlife in your backyard, and find a list of local hot spots to practice your wildlife explorer skills.

WEEKLY STORYTIMES

CHINESE BILINGUAL STORYTIME

Mondays, 10:30 - 11 AM, Storytime Room

Join us every Monday for a special Chinese Bilingual Storytime with Children's Librarian Fang! Together we will enjoy songs, rhymes, stories and fun crafts in Chinese and English.

SPANISH BILINGUAL STORYTIME

Tuesdays, 10:30 - 11 AM, Storytime Room

Join us every Monday for a fun Spanish Bilingual Storytime with Children's Librarian Miriam! Every week, there will be a fun theme with plenty of repetition from previous weeks in order to enhance language learning.

STORYJAM

Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11 AM, Storytime Room

StoryJAM is a music and movement program designed to model, encourage, and facilitate music-making as an early literacy skill. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate as much as possible.

PRESCHOOL STORIES & MORE

Thursdays, 10:30 - 11 AM, Storytime Room

Preschool Stories & More is the Thursday Storytime program at the library and will often be a guest presenter, storyteller or performer! All ages are welcome to attend Preschool Stories and More every week, but some programs may be better suited for ages 3-5.

BOOK BABIES

Fridays, 10:30 - 11 AM, Storytime Room

Join us for Book Babies! Let's have fun together singing, reading, and rhyming. Book Babies is a program designed to stimulate your infant's language development and is geared towards ages 0-2 years.

TOTALLY TWEENS - FOR KIDS IN GRADES 3 - 6

CREATE YOUR OWN STICKER

Thursday, April 3, 4 - 5 PM, Digital Media Lab

This month, we'll meet in the Digital Media Lab, where you'll be able to create your own 3x3 vinyl sticker on our Cricut.

MARIO KART MEETUP & CARD GAMES

Thursday, April 10, 4 - 5 PM, Storytime Room

Join other tweens for some friendly Mario Kart competition on the big screen! For those who prefer low-tech gaming, we'll have UNO and other simple card games.

SCIENTWEENS

Thursday, April 17, 4 - 5 PM, Storytime Room

Don't just learn science - DO science with the UI Science Booster Club!

COMICS & COOKIES: BOG MYRTLE

Thursday, April 24, 4 - 5 PM, Storytime Room

In honor of Earth Day on April 20, we'll read Bog Myrtle by Sid Sharp. Bog Myrtle is a witty modern folktale that touches on themes of capitalism, environmentalism, labor rights, and being a nice person. After we read the book, conduct humane experiments using live earthworms to learn about worms' behavior, anatomy, and habitat, and their role in maintaining healthy soil which we rely on.

