

JANUARY KIDS AND FAMILY CALENDAR

Iowa City Public Library



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

Tween Program (3 - 6 Grade)

Kids Program

Family Program

- Registration Required
- For more information
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1 New Year's Day
Library and Bookmobile Closed

No Bookmobile Service due to Seasonal Service Break

2
Bilingual Storytime with Author Raquel MacKay
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

• LEGO Junior Bots Mini-Bootcamp with the IC Robotics Club
1:00 PM
Meeting Room A

Totally Tweens: Llama Weaving
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

No Bookmobile Service due to Seasonal Service Break

3
Book Babies Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

Dance Me a Story: Dex the Heart of a Hero with Ballet Quad Cities
1:00 PM
Meeting Room A

No Bookmobile Service due to Seasonal Service Break

4
Family Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

5
Sunday Fun Day: Popsicle Stick Snowflake Magnets
2:00 PM
Storytime Room

6
Chinese Bilingual Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

Chess Club
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

7
Spanish Bilingual Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

SPANISH BILINGUAL Storytime

LEGO Club
4:00 PM
Digital Media Lab

8
StoryJAM
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

9
Preschool Stories & More with Mari
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

Totally Tweens: Mario Kart Meetup & Card Games
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

10
Book Babies Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

11
Storytime with Southeast Middle School Students
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

12
Sunday Fun Day: Paper Plate Snow Globe
2:00 PM
Storytime Room

13
Chinese Bilingual Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

Pokemon Club
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

14
Spanish Bilingual Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

Books to Cooks Club: Mug Cake Mystery!
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

Girls Who Code Club
4:00 PM
Digital Media Lab

15
StoryJAM
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

16
Preschool Stories & More with Mari
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

Totally Tweens: Scientweens
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

17
Book Babies Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

18
StoryJAM
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

19
Sunday Fun Day: Crayon Resist Watercolor Hat
2:00 PM
Storytime Room

20
StoryJAM Songs of Change
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

Chess Club
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
No Bookmobile Service
Library Hours: 10 AM - 6 PM

21
Spanish Bilingual Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

World Club: Last Week Until Lunar New Year
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

Girls Who Code Club
4:00 PM
Digital Media Lab

22
StoryJAM
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

23
Preschool Stories & More: Dog Safety with the K9 Ambassadors
10:30 AM
Meeting Room A

Totally Tweens: Cookies & Comics: The American Bison
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

24
Book Babies Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

25
Family Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

26
Sunday Fun Day: Hibernating Bear
2:00 PM
Storytime Room

27
Chinese Bilingual Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

CHINESE BILINGUAL Storytime

Pokemon Club
4:00 PM
Meeting Room A

28
Spanish Bilingual Storytime
11:30 AM
Storytime Room

Book to Art Club: Counting Winter Scratchboard Snowflakes
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

Girls Who Code Club
4:00 PM
Digital Media Lab

29
StoryJAM
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

School's Out: Winter Bingo
1:00 PM
Storytime Room

Family Night: Lion Dance & Paper Plate Dragon
4:00 PM
Meeting Room A

30
Preschool Stories & More with Mari: Shadows!
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

Totally Tweens: Harry Potter Fandom Crafts
4:00 PM
Storytime Room

31
Book Babies Storytime
10:30 AM
Storytime Room

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SPECIAL PROGRAMS

● LEGO JUNIOR BOTS MINI-BOOTCAMP WITH THE IC ROBOTICS CLUB

Thursday, January 2, 1:00 PM Meeting Room A

Learn the basics of LEGO robotics through our Junior Bots mini camp! Design and build attachments to lead your robot to victory in a head to head sumo challenge.

BOOKS TO COOKS CLUB: MUG CAKE MYSTERY

Tuesday, January 14, 4:00 PM, Storytime Room

Today is Miss Mari's birthday, so the theme is...CAKE! We will read "The Mystery of the Missing Cake," in which everyone is a prime suspect! After the story, we will make custom mug cakes in the microwave.

WORLD CLUB: LAST WEEK UNTIL LUNAR NEW YEAR!

Tuesday, January 21, 4:00 PM, Storytime Room

Join us today as we get ready for the Lunar New Year celebration at the library! Together, we'll explore Lunar New Year traditions and create red paper cutouts.

BOOK TO ART CLUB: COUNTING WINTER SCRATCHBOARD SNOWFLAKES

Tuesday, January 28, 4:00 PM, Storytime Room

We will read Counting Winter by Nancy White Carlstrom, a counting book with creatures making their mark on the snow-covered season. After the story, we will use a few scratchboard techniques like the artist to create some custom scratchboard snowflakes in the color tones of winter!

SCHOOL'S OUT: WINTER BINGO

Wednesday, January 29, 1:00 PM, Storytime Room

All ages are invited to play a couple rounds of BINGO for some fabulous prizes!

FAMILY NIGHT: LION DANCE & PAPER PLATE DRAGON

Wednesday January 29, 4:00 PM, Meeting Room A

Join us for a celebration of the Lunar New Year with APAPA (Eastern Iowa Chapter of Asian and Pacific Islander American Public Affairs Association)

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.

SPECIAL STORYTIMES

BILINGUAL STORYTIME WITH AUTHOR RAQUEL MACKAY

Thursday, January 2, 10:30 AM, Storytime Room

Former ICPL staffer, current English Language Learner (ELL) teacher, and now author Raquel MacKay joins us this morning to share her debut picture book "I Hear a Buho!"

DANCE ME A STORY WITH BALLET QUAD CITIES

Friday, January 3, 1:00 PM, Meeting Room A

Join us for a ballet performance and reading of Caralyn and Mark Buehner's story book with a comic book feel, "Dex the Heart of a Hero!"

STORYTIME WITH SOUTHEAST MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

Saturday, January 11, 10:30 AM, Storytime Room

Students from Southeast are taking over storytime! They've been working hard to learn about putting on a great show and will have prepared some great books, songs and a fun activity for little ones!

STORYJAM SONGS OF CHANGE

Monday, January 20, 10:30 AM, Storytime Room

To celebrate the legacy and life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. we are hosting a special StoryJAM. Participants will be encouraged to lift their voices in songs of protest from the Civil Rights Era, share stories about Dr. King, and watch a short film at the conclusion.

PRESCHOOL STORIES & MORE: DOG SAFETY WITH K9 AMBASSADORS

Thursday, January 23, 10:30 AM, Meeting Room A

Kathy and other volunteers from the our local K9 Ambassador program, and sponsored by the Iowa City Dog Obedience Club, will use handpicked dogs to help teach kids about dog safety with a presentation that includes tricks and various obedience skill demonstrations.

FAMILY STORYTIME

Saturday, January 25, 10:30 AM, Storytime Room

Family Storytime is recommended for all ages and includes both shorter and longer stories combined with action games and activities.

PRESCHOOL STORIES & MORE: SHADOWS!

Thursday, January 30, 10:30 AM, Storytime Room

Next week is Groundhog's Day, which means if a groundhog comes out of its hole on this day and sees its shadow we'll have six more weeks of winter weather. We'll do shadow stories and play with shadow puppets on the wall!

TOTALLY TWEENS - FOR KIDS IN GRADES 3 - 6

LLAMA WEAVING

Thursday, January 2, 4 - 5 PM, Storytime Room

Today we will be exploring the simple art of weaving using yarn and homemade llama looms. This project should be quick, and once you finish you can decorate your llama friend!

MARIO KART MEETUP & CARD GAMES

Thursday, January 9, 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, January 16, 4 - 5 PM, Storytime Room

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

COMICS & COOKIES: THE AMERICAN BISON

Thursday, January 23, 4 - 5 PM, Storytime Room

For our January meeting, we'll listen to The American Bison: The Buffalo's Survival Tale, a volume in the nonfiction History Comics series. Against all odds! The prairie shakes under the hooves of nearly thirty million bison. A century later, people struggle to find a single one left alive. How did the great herds disappear, and what does it take to bring them back?

HARRY POTTER FANDOM CRAFTS

Thursday, January 30, 4 - 5 PM, Storytime Room

Join us to make custom wands, slime potions, buttons, and magnets celebrating the wizarding world of Harry Potter!