

North Liberty Library northlibertylibrary.org

Directory





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Library Hours

Monday 9am-8pm Tuesday 8am-8pm Wednesday 9am-8pm Thursday 8am-8pm Friday 9am-5pm Saturday 10am-5pm Sunday 1pm-4pm



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Upcoming Closings

Staff Training Thursday, November 14 CLOSED Thanksgiving

Wednesday, Nov. 27 9am-6pm Thursday, Nov. 28 CLOSED Friday, Nov. 29 CLOSED

Christmas

Tuesday, Dec. 24 CLOSED Wednesday, Dec. 25 CLOSED

New Year's

Tuesday, Dec. 31 CLOSED Wednesday, Jan. 1 CLOSED

Ongoing

Swanky Snacks (18 and under) Daily 4pm

The library is proud to partner with JM Swank for snacks every day after school. Snacks are for kids in preK-12th grade and will be served in the storytime room.

Pop-Up Library

1st Monday, 3-4pm and 3rd Wednesday, 1-2pm Keystone Place 1st Wednesday and 3rd Monday; 1-2pm North Liberty Living Center 2nd Tuesday and 4th Thursday; 3-5p North Liberty Community Pantry Materials available for checkout.

The Writers' Room: The Golden Attic (All Ages)

1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 6pm Are you a poet? Whether you write free-form or verse, sonnets or sestinas, quatrains or quartets, come join us! The Golden Attic is a community of The

quatrains or quartets, come join us! The Golden Attic is a community of The Writers' Rooms. Find out more at https://www.thewritersrooms.org

Social Hour (Adult) Monday, 10am Join us for an hour of coffee and socializing.

My Baby Storytime (Birth-two) Tuesday, 10:30am

Super Tuesdays (K-3rd grade) Tuesday, 4pm Rotating activities geared toward kids in K-3rd grade, all are welcome.

Stitching Around (All Ages) Tuesday, 7pm Needle crafting for experts or those looking to learn.

Storytime (Pre-K) Wednesday, 10:30am

Integration in Motion (Adult) Thursday, 1pm An hour of socializing and varied activities such as crafts, games, science, and guest speakers for neurodivergent adults in our community.

Tot Time (Ages 2-4) Friday, 10:30am

Saturday Storytime (Family) Saturday, 10:30am

October

Wednesday, October 2

Teen Break-out Box (Teen) 6pm

Something spooky is happening at the library. Bring your friends to help solve the riddles and finish the story.

Thursday, October 3

NEW! Stork Storytime MEETS (Adult) 6pm

Join us for this informational planning session before the series launches – your input is valuable. Light refreshments will be served. Future sessions will cover all things pregnancy and newborn, such as baby care, self-care, breastfeeding basics, baby gear and essentials, and professional contacts.

Friday, October 4

Crafting Friday (PreK and under) 10:30am

Get ready for Halloween with these fun paper plate spiders.

Saturday, October 5

Crafting Saturday (Family) 10:30am

Looking for a fun weekend craft to do with the family? Stop in the library during our regularly scheduled storytime for a craft activity.

Waffle Breakfast (All ages) 8am-11am

It's that time of year again, support the FRIENDS of the North Liberty Library while enjoying all you can eat delicious waffles from Dad's Belgian Waffles of Algona, IA. Cost is \$7 each or \$60/10 tickets in advance or \$8 at the door. Kids 5 & under are free. Purchase your tickets in the library or via Eventbrite.



HOMEBOUND PATRONS

The library offers a delivery program for patrons who are not able to visit the library because of a temporary or permanent disability. This service is free. Contact the library for more information or to request materials.

Monday, October 7

Cook the Book (Adult) 6:30pm

It's that time of year for no fuss meals. The book we'll be cooking from is *Skinnytaste One and Done: 140 No-Fuss Dinners for Your Instant Pot®*, *Slow Cooker, Air Fryer, Sheet Pan, Skillet, Dutch Oven, and More* by Gina Homolka. When you sign up at the library Information Desk, choose the recipe you'd like to make. Staff will print off a copy of the recipe for you. We'll sample each other's meals the night of the program. Bring containers for leftovers! Register in the library starting September 23.

Thursday, October 10

Tweendom (4th-6th grade) 3pm

Use your imagination to craft a variety of interesting patterns using perler beads.

Saturday, October 12

Science Fun with the University of Iowa Chemistry Department (Family) 10:30am

October is National Science Month and the University of Iowa Chemistry Associate Professor Ned B. Bowden will bring some fun, hands-on experiments to the library.

Tuesday, October 15

Pizza and Politicians (Teen) 6pm

Curious how local and state government work? Have questions for YOUR representatives? Join us for Pizza and Politicians, where you can meet local politicians and have candid conversations.

Better Angels Documentary & Civil Discussion (Adult) 6:30pm

Better Angels: Reuniting America shows 8 Democratic-leaning voters and 7 Republican-leaning voters moving through a Better Angels signature Red/Blue workshop, from initial skepticism to more profound understanding and empathy. You will get an inside look at how a Democratic voter went from threatening to cut off relationships with Trump voters to becoming dear friends with one and how a Republican voter moved from disdaining progressives to taking co-leadership with one in a movement that now spans the country.

Wednesday, October 16

Origami 101 (7th-12th grade) 6pm

Put your folding skills to the test and make origami creations.

Thursday, October 17

BYOBook (Adult) 6pm

BYOB is a book discussion group that brings some of our favorite local restaurants & books together. Food & beverage expenses are your own. Enjoy great food and conversation while supporting area businesses. For October we will meet at Jimmy Jack's Rib Shack at (745 Community Drive) to discuss *The Removes* by Tatjana Soli.

Tippi Toes (PreK and under) 6:30pm

Join us in welcoming Tippi Toes for a program full of music, movement, balance and basic dance steps.

Saturday, October 19

Saturday Cinema (Family) 2pm

Bring your blankets, snacks, and friends! October's feature is Coco.

Monday, October 21

Improv (Adult) 6pm

Improv is a great way to express our creativity! Join us at the library for a workshop led by local professionals from Improv Incubater HQ. Improv is an inclusive activity and community. No experience required. Registration required and limited via Eventbrite.

Wednesday, October 23

Doodlebugs (PreK and under) 10:30am

Doodlebugs is a free preschool program for families. This program is a combination of storytelling and crafting based on exhibits at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art.

Family Yoga (Family) 6:30pm

Join Miss Emily and Erin for a Family Yoga Storytime.



Stork Storytime TALKS

Enjoy monthly podcasts.
Learn about early literacy and resources to be more confident as your child's first teacher. Like and subscribe now where you listen.
Check out NEW episodes available each month.

Thursday, October 24

Pied Piper with Orchestra Iowa (Family) 11:45am Join Orchestra Iowa's talented chamber ensembles as they introduce preschool-aged children to the instruments of the orchestra! Focused on fun and learning, Pied Piper Concerts offer children the opportunity to enjoy an up-close and personal chamber concert absolutely FREE! This

Thursday, October 24 - CONT.

Tweendom (4th-6th grade) 3pm

session will feature the Strings.

Solve the riddles and help us break the curse. Or at least break into the box with prizes.

Friday, October 25

Memory Cafe (Adult) 10am

Volunteers and staff from the Iowa Chapter of The Alzheimer's Association host a social gathering (with treats!) for persons with memory loss, mild cognitive impairment, early Alzheimer's, or other dementia and their family and friends.

Trunk or Treat (PreK and under) 10:30am

Bring your tots (birth-prek) in costume to trick or treat with staff from different City of North Liberty departments and local non-profit organizations. Paige or Paige Prior Photography will be set up in the storytime room to take keepsake photos of your tots in costume during the event.

Monday, October 28

Mr. Poe and Raven (School age) 4:30pm

Mr. Poe and his good friend Raven are bringing silly, spooky stories to the library! Mr. Poe (otherwise known as Cedar Rapids storyteller Darrin Crow) will thrill families with stories that are just spooky enough for a shiver or a jump, and are appropriate for all ages.

Morbid Curiosities: An Evening with Edgar Allan Poe (Adult) 6pm

Mr. Poe (otherwise known as Cedar Rapids storyteller Darrin Crow) will give the audience a look at Poe's life and literature. He'll share stories from his life, interspersed with several of his short stories and poems - "Alone", "The Raven", "The Angel of the Odd", and more!

Tuesday, October 29

Last Tuesday of the Month Book Club (Adult) 6:30pm Join us in the library for a discussion of *Stillhouse Lake* by Rachel Caine.

November

Friday, November 1

Crafting Friday (PreK and under) 10:30am

Write a Thank You to a Service member, we will decorate the outside with polka dot paint and messages will be written on the inside. Cards can be mailed from home or library staff will collect them to mail to Operation Thank You.

Día de los Muertos Event (K-12th grade) 3:30pm Come learn about Día de los Muertos or Day of the Dead and participate in fun activities.

Teen After Hours (6th-12th grade) 5pm

Have you ever wanted to hang out in the library after closing time? Bring your friends and join us from 5-7pm for an awesome event.

Saturday, November 2

Crafting Saturday (Family) 10:30am

Did you miss Crafting Friday? Looking for a fun weekend craft to do with the family? Stop in the library during our regularly scheduled storytime to write and decorate a Thank You note to a Service member.

Build Your Own Pizza (Family) 1pm-3pm

Chef Matt Zacek, owner of Zs Catering, will teach families how to make kids favorite dinner, pizza! This is a drop-in program, families will be building pizzas in shifts and able to take home for dinner that night.

Tuesday, November 5

Acrylic Pour Canvas Art - Part 1 (Adult) 6:30pm

Professional artist Diane Arthur will lead an acrylic pour workshop. This is a two-part workshop, as the canvases have to sit for two weeks before they are ready to seal. Participants will return to the library to seal their work at 6:30 pm on November 19th. **Registration required and limited.**

Wednesday, November 6

Mini Terrariums (K-12th grade) 6:30pm

We'll be making mini terrariums to take home.

Thursday, November 7

Tweendom (4th-6th graders) 3pm

Join us in Random Acts of Kindness to better our community.

Tuesday, November 12

Sing & Play & Learn Today (Family) 6:30pm

Join West Music for their early childhood music and movement program! Becky will be using activities that help your child experience the amazing musical and non-musical life skills outcomes of early childhood music and movement!

NOTARY SERVICES

The library has staff available to assist with your Nortary needs. There is no charge for this service. Call ahead to ensure staff availability and bring along a valid, government-issued photo ID.



Wednesday, November 13

Teen After Hours (6th-12th grade) 6pm

Make kindness the norm. Help us promote this day with random acts of kindness.

DIY Plumbing (Adult) 6:30pm

Don't pay that \$100 fee for a service call. True Value experts will demonstrate how you can address basic plumbing problems and take preventative measures to keep your pipes happy.

Friday, November 15

Interactive Family Movie (Family) 5pm

Join us for an interactive viewing of the last Toy Story, number 4. We will make fun crafts (5-6pm) to use during the movie and have a popcorn bar. Feel free to bring dinner and a covered drink, as well as blankets and pillows for comfortable viewing!

Saturday, November 16

Saturday Cinema (Family) 2pm

Bring your blankets, snacks, and friends! October's feature is *Hotel Transylvania*.

Tuesday, November 19

Acrylic Pour Canvas Art - Part 2 (Adult) 6:30pm

Day 2 of our Acrylic Pour will be spent sealing our art!

Wednesday, November 20

Storytime with The Iowa Children's Museum

(Family) 6:30pm

Join the Children's Museum for a fun and interactive family storytime!

Thursday, November 21

YouTube Try Not to Laugh Challenge (4th-6th grade) 3pm Bring your friends and try not to laugh at seriously funny YouTube videos

BYOBook (Adult) 6pm

BYOB is a book discussion group that brings some of our favorite local restaurants & books together. Food & beverage expenses are your own. For November we will meet at Sushiya (745 Community Drive) to discuss *Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love* by Dani Shapiro.

Friday, November 22

Memory Cafe (Adult) 10am

Volunteers and staff from the Iowa Chapter of The Alzheimer's Association host a social gathering (with treats!) for persons with memory loss, mild cognitive impairment, early Alzheimer's, or other dementia and their family and friends.

Sing & Play & Learn Today! (PreK & under) 10:30am Join us with West Music and their early childhood music and movement program! Becky will be using activities that help your child experience the amazing musical and non-musical life skills outcomes of early childhood music and movement!

Saturday, November 23

Storytime with City Circle Theatre (Family) 11am Come to a fun-filled introduction to Annie. City Circle will give a presentation of musical theater, do a few numbers, read an Annie story and guests will have a chance to take photos with the cast!

Tuesday, November 26

Last Tuesday of the Month Book Club (Adult) 6:30pm Join us at the library for a discussion of *Micro* by Michael Crichton.



COMPUTER ASSISTANCE

Computer assistance available by appointment with our Technology Services Librarian. Call the library to schedule an appointment.

Wednesday, November 27

Doodlebugs (PreK & under) 10:30am

Doodlebugs is a free preschool program for families; this program is a combination of storytelling and crafting based on exhibits at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art. Registration via Eventbrite is required and limited.

Try Not to Laugh Challenge (7th-12th grade) 6pm Bring your friends to try your hand at this fun YouTube Challenge. How long can you last?

December

Monday, December 2

Little Miss Ann (Family) 6pm

Join Little Miss Ann for this upbeat, down-to-earth, interactive kids concert that will be fun for the whole family! Little Miss Ann's soulful vocals, energetic guitar and drum beats, and positive lyrics inspire kids to clap, sing, jump, and dance along to the music.

Tuesday, December 3

Music Together (Prek & Under) 10:30am

Join us in welcoming Preucil School of Music for this internationally recognized music program for children from birth through age 7 and the grownups who love them.

Wednesday, December 4

Family Yoga (Family) 6:30pm

Stretch your body and your imagination with Miss Emily and Erin during this special family yoga storytime.

Thursday, December 5

Tweendom (4th-6th grade) 3pm

Create your own salt snowflakes and 3D snowflakes.

Friday, December 6

Crafting Fridays (PreK and under) 10:30am

Celebrate the upcoming Winter Solstice by making paper cup lanterns; we will have flameless tea lights to light them up!

Saturday, December 7

Crafting Saturdays (Family) 10:30am

Did you miss Crafting Friday? Join us during our regularly scheduled storytime and celebrate the upcoming Winter Solstice by making paper cup lanterns; we will have flameless tea lights to light them up!

Holiday Cookie Walk (Family) 8am-11am

Just in time for the holidays, let the Library do your baking for you! Get your homemade holiday cookies here. \$6/dozen of your choice and support the FRIENDS of the library.

Tuesday, December 10

PJ Storytime with the Cedar Rapids Museum of

Art (Family) 6:30pm

Come to a special PJ storytime with the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art. Registration via Eventbrite is required and limited.

Wednesday, December 11

Teen Snowflakes (7th-12th grade) 6pm

Come craft paper snowflakes and decorate the Teen Lounge with us.

Tumbling Tots (PreK and under) 10:30am

Join us in welcoming the Iowa GymNest. This program that introduces preschoolers to skills that include forward and backward rolls, handstands, cartwheels, and walkovers.

Friday, December 13

Back in Time Trivia: 1960s-1980s (Seniors) 11:30am

Here's the skinny: as a guest presenter at Senior Dining, the North Liberty Library will be hosting 60s/70s/80s pop culture trivia. Bring a pal or play solo, either way you're in for some fab fun. RSVP by noon on Thursday, December 12 by calling 319.626.5716.

Saturday, December 14

Sing & Play & Learn Today (Family) 10:30am

Join West Music for this early childhood music and movement program!

Monday, December 16

Gift Wrapping Room (Adult) 11am-8pm

Need a place to wrap gifts for the upcoming winter holidays? A place away from prying eyes? We've got space and materials. **Stop by any time during Gift Wrapping Room hours.**

Tippi Toes (Family) 6:30pm

Join us in welcoming Tippi Toes for a program full of music, movement, balance and basic dance steps.

Tuesday, December 17

Gift Wrapping Room (Adult) 3pm-8pm

Need a place to wrap gifts for the upcoming winter holidays? A place away from prying eyes? We've got space and materials. **Stop by any time during Gift Wrapping Room hours.**

Wednesday, December 18

Doodlebugs (PreK & under) 10:30am

Doodlebugs is a free preschool program for families; this program is a combination of storytelling and crafting based on exhibits at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art. Registration via Eventbrite is required.

Ebenezer Duke (Family) 6:30pm

The whole family will be delighted by this musical retelling of "A Christmas Carol" performed by Duke Otherwise.

Gift Wrapping Room (Adult) 11am-8pm

Need a place to wrap gifts for the upcoming winter holidays? We've got space and materials. **Stop by any time 11am-8pm.**

Thursday, December 19

Tweendom (4th-6th grade) 3pm

Create holiday cards and labels for your friends and family members.

BYOBook (Adult) 6pm

BYOB is a book discussion group that brings some of our favorite local restaurants & books together. Food & beverage expenses are your own. For December we will meet at Cafe Muse (565 Cameron Way) to discuss *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens.

Friday, December 20

Tippi Toes (PreK and under) 10:30am

Join us in welcoming Tippi Toes for a program full of music, movement, balance and basic dance steps.

Saturday, December 21

Saturday Cinema (Family) 2pm

December's feature is Rise of the Guardians.

Friday, December 27

Memory Cafe (Adult) 10am

Volunteers and staff from the Iowa Chapter of The Alzheimer's Association host a social gathering (with treats!) for persons with memory loss, mild cognitive impairment, early Alzheimer's, or other dementia and their family and friends.

Monday, December 30

Noon Year's Eve Party (Family) 11:30am

Celebrate the New Year with the whole family! We will have our Noon Year's Celebration from 11:30am-1pm. Join us for a craft, snack, and balloon drop at 12pm.

FOOD ALLERGY NOTICE

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On occasion, food items may be offered at the library that contain allergens. If you have concerns, please check with staff for a list of items. Parents are encouraged to bring alternative snacks to these events

The below programs have been adapted from popular Iowa City/Johnson County Senior Center programs and will take place in the library meeting rooms.

Location, accommodation requests, training, and sign-up questions can be directed to Angela McConville at 319.626.5722 or by email at amcconville@northlibertyiowa.org.

Stanley Museum of Art (Seniors) 1pm

October 2, November 7, and December 5

Join Senior Living Communities Program Coordinator Amanda Lensing from the University of Iowa Stanley Museum of Art for a lively art appreciation presentation. Each month she will bring a new topic to discuss or project to complete, some connected with current museum exhibits, others of general interest.

Great Courses - "The Aging Brain" (Seniors) 1pm

October 8, November 12, and December 10

In this installment, we will learn the science behind the aging brain. Is "aging" a disease, or merely a natural occurrence that produces disease-like symptoms? If humans are biologically programmed to survive and thrive, why do we age at all? Is it possible (or even desirable) to "cure" aging altogether?

Great Courses - "Law School for Everyone" (Seniors) 1pm

October 15, November 19, and December 17

Americans wage many of today's fiercest policy debates and culture wars as battles over constitutional meaning. Constitutional law implicates everything from abortion to same-sex marriage to the scope of presidential power in times of war. Quite simply, many of the most important issues of the day are ultimately questions of constitutional interpretation, and the Constitution rarely answers these questions clearly. In this program, you'll examine pivotal Supreme Court cases to learn how interpreting the Constitution has radically affected American society. You'll consider the Supreme Court's role in deciding—and sometimes avoiding—questions of constitutionality. And you'll investigate how changes in public opinion can influence how the Supreme Court interprets the Constitution.