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Your monthly guide to the Wichita Public Library • March 2007

Unless otherwise noted, all events are FREE. With 48-hour notice, the Library can provide signed programs and meet other special needs; call (316) 261-8590 for details. Seating is limited. The Central Library can accommodate larger groups; call 261-8500 for information. Programs are made possible in part by the City of Wichita. Thanks also to the Wichita Public Library Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Friends of the Wichita Public Library for making many of these programs possible.

21st Annual Academy Award® Shorts



View Academy Award® nominated animation, live action and documentary short films at the Murdock Theatre at the 20th Century Club (536 N. Broadway). Shorts will be shown film-festival style on Feb. 24 and by category on Mar. 3. At branch libraries, live action and animation shorts will be shown. Films are not rated and may not be suitable for all audiences.

Murdock Theatre
(536 N. Broadway)
Saturday, Feb. 24, 10:00 a.m.
Saturday, Mar. 3, 10:00 a.m.

Alford Branch Library
Sunday, Feb. 25, 1:00 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library
Monday, Feb. 26, 6:00 p.m.

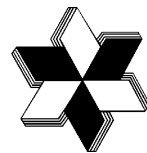
Rockwell Branch Library
Thursday, Mar. 1, 6:00 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library
Tuesday, Feb. 27, 6:00 p.m.

Hold a retrospective at home with the Library's extensive collection of previous award nominees on video and DVD. Check the Library's website for a complete filmography.

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The Discovery Center
www.wichita.lib.ks.us



Book Talks & Discussions

One Book Kansas:

The Learning Tree

Join a lively discussion about the One Book Kansas selection, Gordon Parks' *The Learning Tree*. Check out your copy from the Wichita Public Library. (60 minutes)

Alford Branch Library

Led by Lael Ewy, Hesston College
Thursday, Mar. 1, 7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

Led by Lael Ewy, Hesston College
Saturday, Mar. 24, 2:30 p.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Led by Dr. Anne Carroll, Wichita State University
Thursday, Mar. 29, 7:00 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Led by Dr. Anne Carroll, Wichita State University
Monday, Mar. 5, 7:00 p.m.

Let's Talk Mysteries

Looking for a good mystery? We'll explore different mystery styles and offer tips for finding a good mystery to read in this brief overview. This session will provide lots of ideas and book talks, including some of the hottest new titles. (60 minutes)

Alford Branch Library

Sunday, Mar. 18, 2:30 p.m.

Monthly Book Discussions

The following book discussion groups meet every month, are open to the public and require no advance registration. Books may be available for checkout at the hosting branch; contact the branch for details. (Varies, most 60 minutes)

Angelou Northeast Branch Library

Vashti Lewis (1st Saturday) Group
Lerone Bennett's *Forced into Glory: Abraham Lincoln's White Dream*
Saturday, Mar. 3, 1:00 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

1st Thursday Group
Latifa's *My Forbidden Face*
Thursday, Mar. 1, 7:00 p.m.

1st Tuesday Group

Kent Haruf's *Eventide*
Tuesday, Mar. 6, 1:00 p.m.

3rd Thursday Group

John Steinbeck's *Travels With Charley*
Thursday, Mar. 15, 1:00 p.m.

Orchard Park Branch Library

1st Friday Group
Friday, Mar. 2, 1:00 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

3rd Tuesday Group
Tuesday, Mar. 20, 1:00 p.m.

READ OUTSIDE THE BOX

4th Annual Adult Winter Reading Program CONTINUES!

Prizes Include

One night's stay
at the Castle Inn Riverside

\$50 Visa gift card

Bookstore gift certificates

Friends of the Wichita Public
Library Gold Cards

Movie tickets and more!

Designed for participants aged 16 and up, *Read Outside the Box* asks you to read six books from at least three different genres: horror, memoir, mystery, romance, science fiction and western.

Enter to win monthly prizes with each book read. Earn finishers' prizes and go for the grand prize when you've read all six books.

For complete details, pick up an entry form at the Library or print one from the Library's website.



READ BOOKS.

WIN PRIZES.

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Authors, Talks and Workshops

Central

Robert Day

When it was first published in 1977, *The Last Cattle Drive* was an instant best-seller and was chosen as a Book-of-the-Month Club selection. A new 30th anniversary edition is available, proving the hilarious western stands the test of time. Meet Robert Day, one of Kansas' beloved native sons, and recipient of MacDowell, Yaddo and NEH fellowships in fiction writing. (60 minutes)

Sunday, Mar. 11, 2:30 p.m.



Senior Wednesday

Larry Hatteberg:

Inspirations and Ambitions

One of Wichita's favorite photojournalists will talk about his work, including the influence of fellow photographer Gordon Parks. Offered in cooperation with seven other cultural institutions in Wichita, Senior Wednesdays are designed for active seniors and made possible by the Kansas Health Foundation, a private philanthropic organization dedicated to improving the health of all Kansans. (60 minutes)

Wednesday, Mar. 14, 1:30 p.m.

Nancy Pickard

The author of *The Virgin of the Small Plains*, a murder mystery set in a small Kansas town, Nancy Pickard has also written other popular and critically acclaimed works, including the Jenny Cain and Marie Lightfoot mystery series and award-winning short stories. Meet Nancy Pickard and learn more about this mystery writer's process, work and get some tips for your own writing journey! (60 minutes)

Sunday, Mar. 25, 2:30 p.m.

Alford

Building Bridges: A Study Circle to Focus on Racism

Join your neighbors and other members of the community to build bridges and increase respect among people from different races, cultures, and religions through community dialogue. This six-week program utilizes the "study circle" technique which welcomes all participants on an equal basis and allows pressure-free exploration of an issue as a means of achieving consensus or making long-term commitments. (2 hours)

Tuesdays, Feb. 6-Mar. 13, 6:30 p.m.

Finding Your Family in the WPA Records

While the Works Progress Administration (later renamed the Works Projects Administration) only existed for eight years, its influence and impact on the nation was great. It employed over 8.5 million workers, spent \$11 billion dollars and, of note for researchers, funded the Historical Records Survey. Learn how best to utilize WPA records while recording your family's history. Co-sponsored by the Wichita Genealogical Society. (2 hours)

Saturday, Mar. 17, 1:00 p.m.

Evergreen

Glass Mosaics

Adults and teens age sixteen and up will enjoy designing and creating a beautiful glass mosaic during this craft workshop. All supplies will be provided. Registration required; call 303-8181 beginning Wednesday, Feb. 28 to register. (2 hours)

Saturday, Mar. 10, 2:00 p.m.

Central Library

Fantastic Flicks Double Feature: *Jumanji and Zathura*

Bring the family for two films featuring extraordinary board games. Beverages and an activity provided; supply your own snacks. (Films rated PG; total approximately 3.5 hours)
Monday, Mar. 19, 1:00 p.m.

Craftplay *

Children in kindergarten-second grades will make a craft project that they can take home. (30-60 minutes)
Tuesday, Mar. 20, 2:30 p.m.

Thunder @ Your Library™ *

Children aged 8-11 will participate in activities related to hockey and meet a Wichita Thunder player. (1.5 hours)
Wednesday, Mar. 21, 2:30 p.m.

Artistic Kids *

Children in third-fifth grades will make a craft project that they can take home. (30-60 minutes)
Thursday, Mar. 22, 2:30 p.m.

Global Games *

Children aged 5-11 will play games from around the world, win prizes and more. (Available 2 hours)
Friday, Mar. 23, 2:30 p.m.

Alford

Family Fun Time

Children aged 3-8 and their families will listen to stories, sing songs and make a craft. (45-60 minutes)
Monday, Mar. 19, 7:00 p.m.

An Unfortunate Event: A Lemony Snicket Party *

Children aged 7-11 will have as much fun as possible (which here means "participate in games and activities based on *A Series of Unfortunate Events* by Lemony Snicket") given the sad state of affairs in which the Baudelaires usually find themselves. (1.5 hours)
Wednesday, Mar. 21, 2:30 p.m.

Dino O'Dell

Children aged 3-9 will sing, dance, and more with Kevin Dolan a.k.a. Dino O'Dell. (45-50 minutes)
Thursday, Mar. 22, 10:30 a.m.

Spring Break (Mar. 17-25)

Angelou Northeast

KPTS Share a Story *

KPTS staff present s activities to inspire language and literacy skills. Each family receives a free Curious George book. For ages 3-5 and parent/caregiver. (45 minutes)
Thursday, Mar. 22, 2:30 p.m.

Make-and-Take Craft

Children aged 3-11 will make an art project that they can take home. (Available 6 hours)
Saturday, Mar. 24, 11:00 a.m.

Evergreen

Jumanji and Beyond *

Children ages 6-11 will participate in games and activities based on the book *Jumanji*. (30-60 minutes)
Tuesday, Mar. 20, 2:30 p.m.

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Thursday, Mar. 22, 2:30 p.m.

Artistic Kids *

Children in third-fifth grades will make a craft project that they can take home. (30-60 minutes)
Friday, Mar. 23, 2:30 p.m.

Linwood

KPTS Share a Story *

KPTS staff present s activities to inspire language and literacy skills. Each family receives a free Curious George book. For ages 3-5 and parent/caregiver. (45 minutes)
Thursday, Mar. 22, 10:30 a.m.

Orchard

KPTS Share a Story *

KPTS staff present s activities to inspire language and literacy skills. Each family receives a free Curious George book. For ages 3-5 and parent/caregiver. (45 minutes)
Monday, Mar. 19, 7:00 p.m.

* Starred programs require registration.
Registration begins Wednesday, Mar. 7.
Call or visit the hosting branch to register.

Caribbean Cruise

Children aged 5-11 will take a musical tour of the Caribbean with Gary Dee. Dee will blend history with reggae, calypso, and steel drum. (45 minutes)

Monday, Mar. 19, 2:30 p.m.

Fantastic Flick: *Hoodwinked*

Bring the family for an animated film with a twist on the tale of Little Red Riding Hood. Beverages and an activity provided; supply your own snacks. (Film rated PG, 80 minutes)

Tuesday, Mar. 20, 2:30 p.m.

Artistic Kids *

Children in third-fifth grades will make a craft project that they can take home. (30-60 minutes)

Thursday, Mar. 22, 2:30 p.m.

Craftplay *

Children in kindergarten-second grades will make a craft project that they can take home. (30-60 minutes)

Friday, Mar. 23, 10:30 a.m.

Westlink

Caribbean Cruise

Children aged 5-11 will take a musical tour of the Caribbean with Gary Dee. Dee will blend history with reggae, calypso and steel drum. (45 minutes)

Tuesday, Mar. 20, 2:30 p.m.

Fun and Games

Children ages 6-10 can play board, party and guessing games any time between 2:30-4:30 p.m. Drop in and join us! (Available 2 hours)

Wednesday, Mar. 21, 2:30 p.m.

Family Fun Time

Pig Tales: Wilbur, Charlotte and Friends: Children aged 3-8 and their families will listen to stories, sing songs and make a craft related to *Charlotte's Web*. (45-60 minutes)

Thursday, Mar. 22, 7:00 p.m.

More March Kids' Programs

Central Library

Family Fun Time

Children aged 3-8 and their families will listen to St. Patrick's Day-themed stories, sing songs and more. (45-60 minutes)

Tuesday, Mar. 13, 7:00 p.m.

Puppet Shows

The Gunnwolf, for ages 3-10. (20-30 minutes)

Tuesday, Mar. 27, 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. (Evening show repeat of morning performance)

Alford

Craftplay

Children in kindergarten-second grades will make a craft project that they can take home. Registration required and begins Wednesday, Feb. 21; call 337-9119 to register. (30-60 minutes)

Saturday, Mar. 3, 11:30 a.m.

Reading Roundtable: Classics Club

Join a book discussion group for ages 10-14 (grades 5-8) featuring lively discussion of time-tested favorites. March's book is *White Fang* by Jack London; check it out at the library. (60 minutes)

Monday, Mar. 5, 4:30 p.m.

Rockwell

Puppet Show

For ages 3-10. (20-30 minutes)

Saturday, Mar. 3, 10:30 a.m.

Family Fun Time

Children aged 3-8 and their families will listen to stories, sing songs and make a craft. (45-60 minutes)

Tuesday, Mar. 13, 7:00 p.m.

Storytimes

Nursery Rhyme Time

Music, rhymes, activities and stories for children ages two and under with an adult helper. (20 minutes)

Central Library

Wednesdays through Apr. 18, 10:30 a.m.
Fridays through Apr. 20, 10:30 a.m.

Alford Branch Library

Fridays through Apr. 13, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Tuesdays through Apr. 17, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesdays through Apr. 17, 11:05 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Fridays through Apr. 13, 10:30 a.m.

Toddle Time

Stories, rhymes and motion activities for two-year-olds with an adult helper. Registration required; contact the hosting library to register. (20 minutes)

Alford Branch Library

Tuesdays through Apr. 10, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Thursdays through Apr. 19, 10:30 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Tuesdays, Mar. 6-Apr. 10, 10:30 a.m.

Stories with the Senator

State Senator Donald Betts, Jr. shares uplifting stories for ages 3-8 with their families. (30 minutes)

Central Library

Saturday, Mar. 10, 1:00 p.m.

Angelou Northeast Branch Library

Saturday, Mar. 24, 1:00 p.m.

Preschool Storytime

Stories, fingerplays and more for children aged 3-6. (30 minutes)

Central Library

Tuesdays through Apr. 17, 10:30 a.m.

Alford Branch Library

Thursdays through Apr. 12, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Wednesdays through Apr. 18, 10:30 a.m.
Saturday, Mar. 31, 10:30 a.m. (Repeat of Wednesday, Mar. 28 program)

Westlink Branch Library

Tuesdays through Apr. 10, 10:30 a.m. (Children only)

Preschool Storytime / Cuentos Bilingües

English and Spanish stories, fingerplays and more for children aged 3-6. (30 minutes)

Evergreen Branch Library

Wednesdays through Apr. 18, 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime / Kể chuyện bằng hai thứ tiếng (Việt ngữ và Anh ngữ)

English and Vietnamese stories, fingerplays and more for children aged 3-6. (30 minutes)

Alford Branch Library

Saturday, Mar. 3, 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime

Interactive storytelling and activities for children aged 3-7 with their families. (30 minutes)

Westlink Branch Library

Wednesdays through Apr. 11, 10:30 a.m.
Thursdays through Apr. 12, 7:00 p.m.

Just for Teens (Grades 6-12)

Alford

No Heat Cooking

Teens in grades 6-12 will learn to make tasty and healthy treats without stoves, microwaves or other terror-inducing domestic devices. Registration required and begins Wednesday, Mar. 7; call 337-9119. (60 minutes)
Tues, Mar. 20, 2:30 p.m.

Submit your poems now for the 2nd Annual Poetry Battle! See page 8.



Rockwell

T-Shirt Design

Teens in grades 6-12 will see unique creations fashioned by design enthusiasts and use markers, paints and more to create their own. Bring one or more solid colored T-shirts. Registration required and begins Wednesday, Mar. 7; call 688-9361. (1.5 hours)
Wednesday, Mar. 21, 2:30 p.m.

Westlink

Heavy Metal Kidnapping

Teens in grades 6-12 will use their critical thinking skills to uncover puzzling clues and return two kidnapped children to their parents. Registration required and begins Wednesday, Mar. 7; call 337-9456. (2 hours)
Friday, Mar. 23, 2:30 p.m.

Technology Training Center Classes

Advance registration is required; class sizes are limited. To register, call the Wichita Public Library at (316) 261-8500 (evening and weekend number: 261-8510). Classes meet in the Technology Training Center at the Central Library, are 1.5 hours long and are designed for ages 13 and up.

Which classes are right for you?

Level I Classes: Beginning Users

Learn the basic computer skills: mouse, keyboard, and Windows foundations

Level II: Intermediate Users

After mastering Level I skills, learn about Microsoft Office programs and the Internet

Level III: Advanced Users

Develop specialized abilities by building upon skills learned in Levels I and II

Classes made possible by the City of Wichita, the Friends of the Wichita Public Library and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Introduction to Microsoft Publisher

Familiarize yourself with Microsoft's desktop publishing program and learn to create brochures, fliers, cards and more.

Level II: Intermediate Users.

Registration begins Tuesday, Feb. 27.

Tuesday, Mar. 6, 10:30 a.m.

Using a Free E-mail Account

We'll show you how to set up and use your own free electronic mail (E-mail) account that you can use from home or the Library's workstations.

Level II: Intermediate Users.

Registration begins Tuesday, Mar. 20.

Monday, Mar. 26, 7:00 p.m.

Point and Click

Learn how to use the mouse and keyboard to work with a computer. These skills are the foundations for all our computer classes.

Level I: Beginning Users.

Registration begins Tuesday, Mar. 27.

Monday, Apr. 2, 10:30 a.m.

2nd Annual Poetry Battle

Calling all poets in grades 4-12! Submit your original poem to the Wichita Public Library to participate in the 2nd Annual Poetry Battle. **Poems may be turned in now through Monday, Mar. 26 at any Library location.** Poems should be no more than one page long and must be suitable for family audiences. Name, school, grade, age and phone number should be submitted with poem. Family members of Wichita Public Library staff are not eligible to compete.

All battles are held at the Central Library.

Grades 4-5

Preliminary Battle: Monday, Apr. 2, 6:30 p.m.
Finals: Saturday, Apr. 7, 10:30 a.m.

Grades 6-8

Preliminary Battle: Tuesday, Apr. 3, 6:30 p.m.
Finals: Saturday, Apr. 7, 1:00 p.m.

Grades 9-12

Preliminary Battle: Thursday, Apr. 5, 6:30 p.m.
Finals: Saturday, Apr. 7, 3:30 p.m.

Wichita Public Library Locations

Central Library ▲ Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
261-8500 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
223 S. Main Sun. 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
(Near Douglas & Main)

Alford ⬤▲♣ Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
337-9119 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
3447 S. Meridian Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
(Near I-235 & S. Meridian)

Angelou Tues. 1:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Northeast ⬤▲ Wed.-Sat. 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
688-9580 Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
3051 E. 21st Closed Mon.
(Near 21st & Hillside)

Comotara ▲ Mon., Wed., Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
688-9350 Tues., Fri., Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
2244 N. Rock Rd Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Inside Dillons
(At 21st & Rock)

Evergreen ⬤▲♣ Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
303-8181 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
2601 N. Arkansas Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
(At 25th & Arkansas)

Linwood ▲ Mon. 12:00 - 8:00 p.m.
337-9125 Tues.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
1901 S. Kansas Closed Sat. and Sun.
(Near Mt. Vernon & Hydraulic)

Orchard Park ▲ Mon. 1:00 - 8:00 p.m.
337-9084 Tues.-Fri. 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
4808 W. 9th Closed Sat. and Sun.
(Near 9th & West)

Rockwell ⬤▲ Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
688-9361 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
5939 E. 9th Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
(Near 9th & Edgemoor)

Westlink ⬤▲ Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
337-9456 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
8515 Bekemeyer Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
(Near Central & Tyler)

Planeview Community Library
(Operated by Colvin Elementary School)
973-7609 Mon.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
2820 S. Roosevelt Except school holidays
(Near Ross Parkway and in-service days
& Hillside) Closed Sat. and Sun.

Deaf Services TDD Line - 262-3972

⬤ ADA Computer Workstation Available ▲ Book/Video Drop ♣ Cassette/CD/DVD Drop

Check the Library catalog and manage your account online at www.wichita.lib.ks.us.