

January @ your library®

Your monthly guide to the Wichita Public Library • January 2008

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.

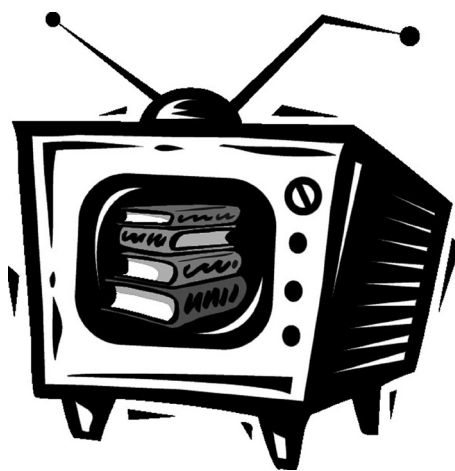
The Reading Channel

5th Annual Adult Winter Reading Program

Turn off the TV and tune into *The Reading Channel*: The Wichita Public Library's 5th Annual Adult Winter Reading Program. This program is designed for participants 16 years of age and up.

The Reading Channel asks you read six books from the following channels (categories): Time & Place, Arts & Entertainment, Nature, Food & Family, Sports and News & Current Events.

While you may pick your own books, visit the Library's website, www.wichita.lib.ks.us, for reading ideas and more information on the Adult Winter Reading Program.



**READ BOOKS.
WIN PRIZES.**

Begins January 2, 2008

Prizes include:

An overnight stay for two
at Castle Inn Riverside

\$50 Visa gift cards

Friends of the
Wichita Public Library
Gold Card memberships
and book bags

Bookstore gift certificates

Movie tickets and much more!

For more information and entry forms,
stop by any Library location or the
Library's website, www.wichita.lib.ks.us.

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WICHITA PUBLIC LIBRARY
The Discovery Center
www.wichita.lib.ks.us



Children's Storytimes & Events

Nursery Rhyme Time

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

Central Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 16-Apr. 16, 10:30 a.m.

Fridays, Jan. 18-Apr. 18, 10:30 a.m.

Alford Branch Library

Thursdays, Jan. 24-Apr. 10, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 15-Apr. 15, 10:30 a.m. and 11:05 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Fridays, Jan. 25-Apr. 18, 10:30 a.m.

Toddle Time

Stories, rhymes and motion activities for two-year-olds with an adult helper. Call the hosting library to register starting Wednesday, Jan. 2. (20 minutes)

Alford Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 22-Apr. 8, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Thursdays, Jan. 17-Apr. 17, 10:30 a.m. and 11:05 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 29-Mar. 4 and Mar. 11-Apr. 15, 10:30 a.m.

Central Library

Winter Picnic

Wind and snow and cold! Oh, my! It's the right weather for a winter picnic. Bring your blankets and enjoy stories, songs, hot chocolate, cookies and more. For children aged 3-6. (30-45 minutes)

Tuesday, Jan. 29, 10:30 a.m.

Alford

Dad & Me

Children ages 3-8 with their dads are invited to come for stories, crafts and games! (30 minutes)

Saturday, Jan. 19, 10:30 a.m.

Angelou Northeast

Family Fun Time

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

Tuesday, Jan. 22, 6:30 p.m.

Evergreen

Extreme Design: Pirate Treasure

Build a treasure box and create an original map. For children aged 5 and up, or entering kindergarten or higher, with their families. Registration begins Wed, Jan. 2: call 303-8181. (60 minutes)

Saturday, Jan. 26, 2:30 p.m.

Preschool Storytime

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

Central Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 15-Apr. 15, 10:30 a.m.

Alford Branch Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 23-Apr. 9, 10:30 a.m.

Evergreen Branch Library (English/Spanish bilingual storytime)

Wednesdays, Jan. 16-Apr. 16, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 16-Apr. 16, 10:30 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 22-Apr. 15, 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime

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

Westlink Branch Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 23-Apr. 16, 10:30 a.m.

Thursdays, Jan. 24-Apr. 17, 7:00 p.m.

KPTS Reading Rainbow

Writers & Illustrators Workshop

K-3rd graders interested in creating their own story for the *Reading Rainbow* Young Writers & Illustrators Contest can learn basic storywriting tips and the rules of the contest. (45-60 minutes)

Alford Branch Library

Saturday, Jan. 12, 10:30 a.m.

(Registration starts Wednesday, Dec. 26; call 337-9119)

Evergreen Branch Library

Saturday, Jan. 12, 2:30 p.m.

(Registration starts Wednesday, Dec. 26; call 303-8181)

Rockwell Branch Library

Saturday, Jan. 19, 10:30 a.m.

(Registration starts Wednesday, Jan. 2; call 688-9361)

Westlink Branch Library

Saturday, Jan. 19, 2:30 p.m.

(Registration starts Wednesday, Jan. 2; call 337-9456)

Native Tales from the Lewis & Clark Trail

Jim "Two Crows" Wallen shares interactive "how and why" stories from Native Americans met by the Lewis & Clark expedition. Preschool-3rd graders will be mesmerized by tales and artifacts. Offered in cooperation with Wichita State University Libraries' Lewis & Clark Exhibit. (45 minutes)

Angelou Northeast Branch Library

Saturday, Jan 26, 1:30 p.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Saturday, Jan. 26, 10:30 a.m.

Events for Adults

Central Library

Senior Wednesday: A Drive on Memory Lane to Wichita's Automobile Emporiums

Dr. Jim Mershon will share a 30-minute film and talk about car dealerships in Wichita. Offered in cooperation with nine 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, Jan. 9, 1:30 p.m.

Technology Training Courses

Registration is required; class sizes are limited. To register, call the Library at 261-8500 (evenings/weekends: 261-8510). Classes meet in the Technology Training Center at the Central Library, are 90 minutes long and designed for ages 13 and up.

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, Jan. 8.

Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2:30 p.m.

Working with Windows

Master the fundamentals of using Windows programs, including saving and opening files. Level I: Beginning Users.

Registration begins Tuesday, Jan. 15.

Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2:30 p.m.

Web Searching Skills

Find reliable information on the Internet quickly and efficiently. Level I: Beginning Users.

Registration begins Tuesday, Jan. 22.

Thursday, Jan. 31, 2:30 p.m.

Coming in February

Electronic Resources for Readers

Registration begins Tuesday, Jan. 29.

Monday, Feb. 4, 10:30 a.m.

Point and Click

Registration begins Tuesday, Feb. 5.

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 10:30 a.m.

Working with Windows

Registration begins Tuesday, Feb. 12.

Wednesday, Feb. 20, 10:30 a.m.

Web Searching Skills

Registration begins Tuesday, Feb. 19.

Wednesday, Feb. 27, 10:30 a.m.

These classes are offered through the generosity of the City of Wichita, the Friends of the Wichita Public Library and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Alford

What the Dead Can Tell Us

Valuable genealogical information from the paper trail left at the time of death can be a treasure trove for family historians. Facts may include next-of-kin, residence, occupation and much more. Learn how to use these tools in your research. Co-sponsored by the Wichita Genealogical Society. (2 hours)

Saturday, Jan. 19, 1:00 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. (60 minutes unless otherwise noted)

Alford Branch Library

Masters of Mystery (1.5 hours)

The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency by Alexander McCall Smith

Wednesday, Jan. 23 7:00 p.m.

Angelou Northeast Branch Library

Vashti Lewis Book Discussion Group (2nd Saturdays) (2 hours)

Saturday, Jan 12, 1:00 p.m.

Central Library

3rd Tuesdays

A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini

Tuesday, Jan. 15, 6:30 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

1st Thursdays

The Bookseller of Kabul by Asne Seierstad

Thursday, Jan. 3, 7:00 p.m.

1st Tuesdays Group

Bleak House by Charles Dickens

Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1:00 p.m.

3rd Thursdays

Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen

Thursday, Jan. 17, 1:00 p.m.

Orchard Park Branch Library

1st Fridays

The Bonesetter's Daughter by Amy Tan

Friday, Jan. 4, 1:00 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

3rd Tuesdays

Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1:00 p.m.

Hungry Planet: What the World Eats

Central Library

Hungry Planet: What the World Eats

Hungry Planet provides a thought-provoking analysis of worldwide food consumption, examining what we as global citizens share—or lack. The exhibition's color photographs document sharp contrasts and universal aspects of an essential human pursuit.

Through Saturday, Jan. 19

A Taste of Lebanon

Sarana Abi-Mikals talks about (and shares samples) of Lebanese cuisine, a vital ingredient in Wichita's melting pot. (45-60 minutes)
Sunday, Jan. 13, 2:30 p.m.

ExhibitsUSA



Hungry Planet was organized by COPIA: The American Center for Wine, Food & Arts in Napa, California and is toured by ExhibitsUSA, a national program of Mid-American Arts Alliance. Founded in 1972, Mid American Arts-Alliance (maaa.org) is a nonprofit regional arts organization based in Kansas City, MO.

Alford

Sundays @ Alford

Fast Food and Home-Style Cooking: Food in Wichita

From fancy restaurants to an apple-shaped café, Wichita has its share of interesting eateries. Even national chains such as Pizza Hut and White Castle got their start here. Local History Librarian Michelle Enke shares images and stories of these memorable spots. (60 minutes)
Sunday, Jan. 6, 1:30 p.m.

Rockwell

From Fields to the Dinner Table: Food in Wichita

From the cattle drives of the 1870s to the convenience of modern grocery stores, food and agriculture have an important place in Wichita history. Local History Librarian Michelle Enke shares their fascinating stories and images. (60 minutes)
Friday, Jan. 18, 2:30 p.m.

Wichita Public Library Locations

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| Central Library ▲ 261-8500 223 S. Main (Near Douglas & Main) | Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Sun. 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. | Linwood ▲ 337-9125 1901 S. Kansas (Near Mt. Vernon & Hydraulic) | Mon. 12:00 - 8:00 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Closed Sat. and Sun. |
| Alford ☼▲♣ 337-9119 3447 S. Meridian (Near I-235 & S. Meridian) | Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Orchard Park ▲ 337-9084 4808 W. 9th (Near 9th & West) | Mon. 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Closed Sat. and Sun. |
| Angelou Northeast ☼▲ 688-9580 3051 E. 21st (Near 21st & Hillside) | Tues. 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. Wed.-Sat. 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Closed Mon. | Rockwell ☼▲ 688-9361 5939 E. 9th (Near 9th & Edgemoor) | Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. |
| Comotara ▲ 688-9350 2244 N. Rock Rd <i>Inside Dillons</i> (At 21st & Rock) | Mon., Wed., Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Tues., Fri., Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Westlink ☼▲ 337-9456 8515 Bekemeyer (Near Central & Tyler) | Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. |
| Evergreen ☼▲♣ 303-8181 2601 N. Arkansas (At 25th & Arkansas) | Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Planeview Community Library (Operated by Colvin Elementary School) 973-7609 2820 S. Roosevelt (Near Ross Parkway & Hillside) | Mon.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Except school holidays and in-service days Closed Sat. and Sun. |

All Wichita Public Library Locations will be closed Tuesday, Jan. 1 and Monday, Jan. 21.

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.