

December @ your library®

Your monthly guide to the Wichita Public Library • December 2010

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. Seating is limited. The Central Library can accommodate larger groups; call 261-8500. Programs are made possible in part by the City of Wichita, the Wichita Public Library Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Friends of the Wichita Public Library. Technology training is made possible by the John L. and James S. Knight Foundation and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

December Highlights

Senior Wednesday: Holiday Party

Enjoy holiday music from the Diamond W Wranglers in the S. Jim and Darla Farha Great Hall and hear about the exciting upcoming spring programs from all ten of the participating Senior Wednesday organizations. Special items will be given away! Have a fun and relaxing time in a social atmosphere.

Wichita Art Museum, 1400 W. Museum Blvd.
Wednesday, Dec. 1, 10:00 a.m.

Women in Film

Join us as we explore some of women's many roles in the creation of film from the first narrative film to "The Hurt Locker." This discussion will be accompanied by film examples. Part of a year-long celebration of film as the Wichita Public Library counts down to the 25th Annual Academy Award® Shorts in 2011. (60 minutes)

Central Library
Thursday, Dec. 9, 6:30 p.m.

LEGO: A Love Story

Are you an AFOL (Adult Fan of LEGO)? Jonathan Bender has written a book that will appeal to all AFOLs—and others. "LEGO: A Love Story" chronicles his fascination with the building brick that has captured the hearts of millions. You'll learn more about LEGO fandom, conventions devoted to LEGO lore, theme parks, and an entire industry built around this beloved toy. Come early to enjoy LEGO building in progress. Bring your own creation to share and compete for a prize! (60 minutes)

Central Library
Saturday, Dec. 11, 2:30 p.m.

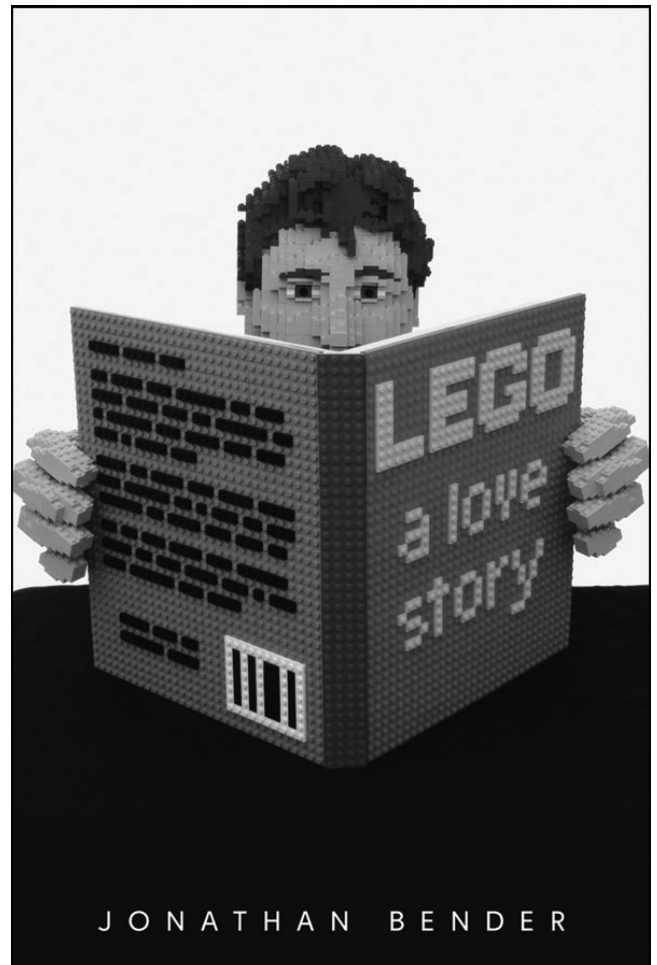
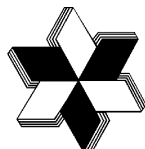


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Events for Children and Families

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Nursery Rhyme Time

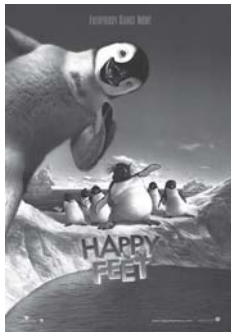
See Westlink Branch Library listing for description.
 Wednesday, Dec. 1, 10:30 a.m.
 Friday, Dec. 3, 10:30 a.m.

Puppet Show: "The Gingerbread Man"

Enjoy a puppet show for ages 3-10. Evening performance is a repeat of morning show. (20-30 minutes)
 Tuesday, Dec. 7, 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Winter Movie Marathon

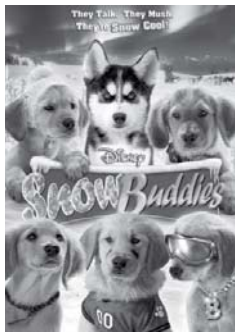
Enjoy winter-themed movies for ages 4 and up. Bring covered drinks and snacks if you wish. Come to one or all! (Rated G/PG, 5.5 hours total)
 Tuesday, Dec. 28, 11:00 a.m.



"Snow Buddies"
 (G, 90 minutes)
 11:00 a.m.

"Happy Feet"
 (PG, 110 minutes)
 12:30 p.m.

"Chronicles of Narnia:
 The Lion, the Witch,
 and the Wardrobe"
 (PG, 135 minutes)
 2:20 p.m.



Snowed In

Celebrate winter with snow stories, activities and a snow craft for ages 3-8. Registration begins Wednesday, Dec. 22; call the Central Library at 261-8500. (60 minutes)
 Thursday, Dec. 30, 2:30 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

Winter Crafts

Show your creativity by making a craft project (or two!) for ages 6-10. Registration begins Wednesday, Nov. 24; call 337-9119. (60 minutes)
 Thursday, Dec. 2, 7:00 p.m.

Angelou Northeast Branch Library

A Kwanzaa Celebration

Join us as Wichita's own Griots share stories that highlight the seven principles of Kwanzaa. Ages 3 and up; adults welcome. (60 minutes)
 Tuesday, Dec. 28, 6:00 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

Puppet Show: "The Boy Who Cried Wolf"

Watch a puppet show for ages 3-10. (20-30 minutes)
 Wednesday, Dec. 1, 10:30 a.m.

Life-Sized Candy Land Game

Really get in the game! Move along the Candy Land board yourself and find the missing King Kandy. For ages 5-8. Registration begins Wednesday, Dec. 15; contact the Evergreen Branch Library at 303-8181. (60 minutes)
 Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2:30 p.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Preschool Storytime

Stories, fingerplays and more for ages 3-6. (30 minutes)
 Wednesday, Dec. 1, 10:30 a.m.

Toddle Time

Stories, rhymes and motion activities for 2-year-olds with an adult helper. Registration required; call 688-9361. (20 minutes)
 Thursday, Dec. 2, 10:30 a.m.

Winter Carnival

Children aged 3-11 will enjoy games and activities with prizes. Drop in anytime between 2:30 and 4 p.m. (Available 90 minutes)
 Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2:30 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Family Storytime

Interactive storytelling for ages 3-7 with their families. (30 minutes)
 Wednesday, Dec. 1, 10:30 a.m.

Nursery Rhyme Time

Music, rhymes, activities and stories for ages 2 and under with an adult helper. (20 minutes)
 Thursday, Dec. 2, 10:30 a.m.
 Friday, Dec. 3, 10:30 a.m.

Puppet Show: "Frog Prince"

Watch a puppet show for ages 3-10. (20-30 minutes)
 Thursday, Dec. 2, 7:00 p.m.

Bored? Games for All!

Enjoy board games, guessing games, puzzles and snacks for ages 3-11. Drop in anytime between 2:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. (Available 90 minutes)
 Wednesday, Dec. 29, 2:30 p.m.



Events for Adults

Monthly Book Discussions

These groups are open to the public. No registration is required. Books may be available for checkout at the hosting branch; contact the branch for details. (60 minutes)

Central Library

3rd Tuesdays Group
No December discussion

Alford Branch Library

Masters of Mystery (4th Wednesdays) Group
No December discussion

Evergreen Branch Library

1st Tuesdays Group
"We Two: Victoria and Albert: Rulers, Partners, Rivals" by Gillian Gill
Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1:00 p.m.

1st Thursdays Group

No December discussion

Orchard Park Branch Library

1st Fridays Group
"The Company of Women" by Mary Gordon
Friday, Dec. 3, 1:00 p.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Cozy Mystery (Last Mondays)
"Murder on Gramercy Park" by Victoria Thompson
Monday, Dec. 27, 1:00 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

3rd Tuesdays Group
"Friends, Lovers, Chocolate" by Alexander McCall Smith
Tuesday, Dec. 21, 12:45 p.m. (meets off-site)

Gift Ideas from the Friends of the Wichita Public Library

Have a book lover on your holiday list? Give a gift that keeps on giving all year round: a membership in the Friends of the Wichita Public Library. For information about membership levels, visit the Friends' web site at www.wichita.lib.ks.us/Organizations/Friends or ask staff for a brochure.

The Friends of the Wichita Public Library have book bags available for \$10. Visit their year-round Used Book Store at the Central Library or ask branch staff for assistance in ordering.



Coming in 2011

Reel Reads: The 8th Annual Adult Winter Reading Program

Reel Reads: The Wichita Public Library's 8th Annual Adult Winter Reading Program is designed for readers 16 years of age and up.

Beginning Monday, Jan. 10, 2011, visit www.wichita.lib.ks.us or any Wichita Public Library location for complete details about how to read books and win prizes. The program will end Monday, Feb. 28.

On Monday, Jan. 10, the categories and rules for the 2011 program will be announced. No books read prior to Jan. 10 will be accepted. For each book read, participants may submit an entry for monthly prize drawings.

Those who finish the program will receive a mug, \$5 gift certificate to the Friends of the Library Bookstore, popcorn, and other goodies. Finishers also enter for the grand prize drawing.

Grand Prize: One Winner

Overnight stay for two at
The Castle Inn Riverside

2nd Prize: Three Winners

\$50 Visa gift card

Other Prizes

Friends of the Wichita Public Library Gold Card memberships and bookbags, gift certificates to area merchants and more!

The Library's web site at www.wichita.lib.ks.us will have complete rules, reading ideas, and more information beginning Monday, Jan. 10. Watch for details at your library in January!

Technology Training Classes

Central Library

Computer Basics

Learn about using a mouse and the keyboard and working with Microsoft Windows. No experience necessary! This class is recommended for all new computer users.

Saturday, Dec. 4, 10:30 a.m.

How to Create a Web Page

Make a simple web page and see how web pages go together. Pages are for practice only, so they will not be online. Basic mouse and keyboard skills recommended.

Thursday, Dec. 9, 2:30 p.m.

Hands-on Help

Drop by for personalized help with issues such as formatting a résumé or working with Windows. Bring your specific project or question. (60 minutes)

Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2:30 p.m.

Registration not required, but seats are limited. (Most 90 minutes)

Alford Branch Library

Using Google Docs

Get started with Google Docs, a web-based word processor, spreadsheet and presentation service offered for free by Google. You can create, edit and share documents online and store any file up to 1 gigabyte. Basic mouse and keyboard skills are necessary.

Friday, Dec. 3, 2:30 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

Introducing Microsoft Word

Create documents with Microsoft's powerful word processor, Word 2007, and learn some of its built-in tools and options. Basic mouse and keyboard skills are necessary.

Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2:30 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Computer Basics

Learn about using a mouse and the keyboard and working with Microsoft Windows. No experience necessary! This class is recommended for all new computer users.

Wednesday, Dec. 8, 10:30 a.m.

December Holiday Hours

Christmas Holiday

Friday, Dec. 24

Saturday, Dec. 25

Sunday, Dec. 26

All Library locations closed

New Year's Holiday

Friday, Dec. 31

Saturday, Jan. 1

All Library locations closed

Wichita Public Library Locations

Central Library Mon.-Thu. 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.-Thu. 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., Thu. 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.-Thu. 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.-Thu. 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.-Thu. 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. - 5:00 p.m., except
2820 S. Roosevelt school holidays & in-service days
(Near Ross Pkwy & Hillside)

Manage Your Account by Phone: 262-6991 Deaf Services TDD: 262-3972 ☺ ADA Computer Workstation Available

All Wichita Public Library locations offer Wi-Fi and materials depositories.

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