

LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES | PROGRAM GUIDE



## Musical Bookworms and Instrument Petting Zoo with Lincoln Symphony Orchestra

Lincoln Symphony Orchestra's mission is to present inspiring experiences for families to discover and cultivate a connection with orchestral music - and they're bringing it to the library with stories and their beloved Instrument Petting Zoo!

### South Branch Library

2675 South Street

10/16 WED 10:30-11:30

### Gere Branch Library

2400 S. 56th Street

10/17 THU 6:30-7:30

### Bennett Martin Public Library

136 S. 14th Street

10/18 FRI 10:15-11:15

### Walt Branch Library

6701 S. 14th Street

10/19 SAT 10:30-11:30

### Eiseley Branch Library

1530 Superior Street

10/22 TUE 6:30-7:30

### Anderson Branch Library

3635 Touzalin Avenue

10/23 WED 10:30-11:30

### Bethany Branch Library

1810 N. Cotner Boulevard

10/24 THU 10:30-11:30



LINCOLN'S SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

EDWARD POLOCHICK, MUSIC DIRECTOR

Victor E. Anderson Branch  
3635 Touzalin Ave. | 402-441-8540



YOUTH

### A Monster Storytime

We're celebrating the start of fall storytimes with a scary good time. Join us for monster stories, crafts and fun!

09/04 WED 10:30-11:30 ANDR

### Pirate Family Night

Ahoy, Matey! Walk the plank, shiver me timbers and blow the man down! Join us for a night of Pirate fun!

09/18 WED 6:00-7:00 ANDR

### Dance It Out

Ready to get up and moving? Need to burn some energy during Fall break? Join us for 30 minutes of dancing, yoga and lots of fun movement.

10/14 MON 2:00-2:30 ANDR

### Musical Bookworms

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10/23 WED 10:30-11:30 ANDR

ADULTS

### Teacher Toolkit

It's a new school year, and the library has a new website. This workshop will help you navigate the new website and introduce you to digital databases that will support your work as an educator. All home educators, school teachers and life-long learners are welcome!

10/07 MON 6:00-7:30 ANDR



LINCOLN City Libraries

Bennett Martin Public Library  
136 S. 14th St. | 402-441-8530



Downtown Parking is FREE:

- at meters on Sundays
- weekdays after 6 p.m.
- 1-hour free parking in Eagle Garage



YOUTH

### Stroller Stories

Bring your little ones dressed for the weather and in their stroller (or wagon) and head out on a guided walk through downtown Lincoln that's full of reading, rhymes and songs. We'll take off on this walk from the N Street doors located on the south side of the building and explore downtown together.

09/04 WED 9:45-10:15 BMPL

09/18 WED 9:45-10:15 BMPL

10/02 WED 9:45-10:15 BMPL

10/16 WED 9:45-10:15 BMPL

### Sensory Stay and Play

Join us for a super-special sensory play session. We'll provide a taste-safe sensory play experience for littles five and under. Things may get messy; dress accordingly!

09/04 WED 10:30-11:00 BMPL

10/02 WED 10:30-11:00 BMPL

11/06 WED 10:30-11:00 BMPL

### Grahams for Grands

In honor of Grandparents Day, let's celebrate all the grand people in a child's life. We'll provide the graham snacks, a green screen and props for super-silly photos plus supplies to decorate a picture frame. You bring your grandperson (grandma, grandpa, grand aunt, grand friend - whoever!) and make some fun memories! This is an informal, drop-in event intended for children ages 0-12 and their grandpeople, but all are welcome.

09/08 SUN 1:00-2:00 BMPL

YOUTH Continued

**Block Party!**

This event has everything: LEGO Bricks, Mega Bloks, giant cardboard blocks and more! We will provide a book-inspired prompt, but you're free to follow that or just use our variety of blocks to build whatever you'd like. We'll also provide some cool tunes and party lighting. Join us for this informal, drop-in event.

09/17	TUE	4:00-6:00	BMPL
10/15	TUE	4:00-6:00	BMPL
11/19	TUE	4:00-6:00	BMPL

**School's Out: Spooky Science**

Explore hands-on experiments with a Halloween twist. At various stations, experiment with static electricity, chemical reactions and more. Things may get messy; dress accordingly. Caregiver guidance is required.

10/11	FRI	1:00-2:00	BMPL
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**Making Musical Instruments from Found and Common Materials with Jay Kreimer**

Explore the vast and surprising sound making possibilities hidden in common materials, and develop that exploration into finished instruments. We'll think about ordinary objects like metal decorations, ping pong balls, metal bowls, and on and on. We'll invent our own instruments out of these items and at the end we'll all play together on our new instruments!

10/12	SAT	2:00-3:00	BMPL
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**Slightly Spooky Stories**

Gather around for slightly scary stories told in the (semi) dark by a librarian. We'll snack on campfire treats while sharing stories and passing around spooky sensory tricks! This program is intended for children ages 5-10 and their caregivers, but all ages are welcome.

10/13	SUN	1:00-2:00	BMPL
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10/18	FRI	10:15-11:15	BMPL
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**DiNovember Celebration!**

We'll read a book or two, then enjoy dinosaur crafts, activities and snacks. We'll even dig for dino bones. This program is geared toward ages 2-6, but children of all ages are welcome.

11/9	SAT	10:30-11:30	BMPL
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TEENS

**Troll for Initiative: Dungeons & Dragons Gameplay**

We're going on a fantasy adventure! Where are we going? We don't know yet, but we'll have fun doing it. This group is meant for beginner and intermediate level D & D players. This group is limited to 10 active participants, so please contact Scott C. at 402-441-8525 or 402-441-8530 to see if there are open slots.

09/09	MON	4:30-6:00	BMPL
09/23	MON	4:30-6:00	BMPL
10/14	MON	4:30-6:00	BMPL
10/28	MON	4:30-6:00	BMPL
11/18	MON	4:30-6:00	BMPL
11/25	MON	4:30-6:00	BMPL

**Teen Hangout**

Hang out with your friends after school on Thursday afternoons! We will have Nintendo Switch games, board games and other activities available in the teen area.

09/12	THU	4:00-5:00	BMPL
09/19	THU	4:00-5:00	BMPL
09/26	THU	4:00-5:00	BMPL
10/03	THU	4:00-5:00	BMPL
10/24	THU	4:00-5:00	BMPL
10/31	THU	4:00-5:00	BMPL
11/07	THU	4:00-5:00	BMPL
11/14	THU	4:00-5:00	BMPL
11/21	THU	4:00-5:00	BMPL



**Teen Advisory Boards**

Hey teens! We need YOU! Advise library staff about materials, programs and services that you would like to see in the library.

This is your chance to make a difference!

Scan the QR code or head to [lincolnlibraries.org](http://lincolnlibraries.org) to learn more about volunteering on a Teen Advisory Board at your nearest branch library.

ADULTS

**Fall Movie Series**

**The Color Purple (musical version)**

You loved the book, you loved the original film, now join us to watch this musical take on the beloved classic! With powerful and moving vocal performances, we'll revisit favorite characters like Celie, Sofia, Shug Avery and Mister in this adaption about strength, hope and the unbreakable bonds of sisterhood. Refreshments will be provided. Rated: PG-13. Runtime: 2h 21 min.

09/15	SUN	1:00-3:30	BMPL
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**The Boys in the Boat**

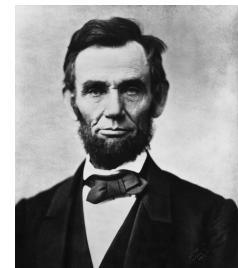
Based on the best-selling book, this true story recounts the journey of a university rowing team during the Depression to win gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics. Join us for this inspirational story of a group of underdogs who beat the odds. Refreshments will be provided. Rated: PG-13. Runtime: 2h 3 min.

10/20	SUN	1:00-3:30	BMPL
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**Arthur the King**

Join us and fall in love with Arthur, the dog who befriends an extreme athlete in the jungle and finds a home and family to belong to. A heartwarming and unforgettable adventure based on a true story. Refreshments will be provided. Rated: PG-13. Runtime: 1hr 47min.

11/17	SUN	1:00-3:30	BMPL
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**Page-To-Stage with Lied Center for Performing Arts: A House Divided Q & A**

Join us at the Bennett Martin Public Library for questions with the cast, crew and scholars before their performances at the Lied Center!

A House Divided confronts the monumental choices facing Abraham Lincoln that threaten to unravel his family and the country during the height of the Civil War. The play offers a potent reflection on today's political tipping point. Award-winning playwright and novelist Kia Corthron shares: "A House Divided is a meticulously researched work, politically invigorating and deliciously theatrical."

09/16	MON	12:00-1:00	BMPL
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ADULTS Continued

**B.Y.O.B(ook) Club**

This is not your traditional book club! Join us with a title (or titles) from your reading life that follow the monthly discussion prompt and add to your own To Be Read list with recommendations from the group.

**This month's prompt: a book outside your reading comfort zone.**

09/18 WED 6:30-7:30 BMPL

**This month's prompt: a book with a holiday plot.**

10/16 WED 6:30-7:30 BMPL

**This month's prompt: a debut novel.**

11/20 WED 6:30-7:30 BMPL

**Crafternoon**

**Pine Cone Flowers**

We'll be using beautiful elements from nature to create pine cone flowers. Whether you'd like to make individual stems, a bouquet, keep them natural or paint them in bright colors, you're invited to come and bring a friend if you'd like! All supplies are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required.

09/22 SUN 2:00-4:00 BMPL

**Burlap Placemat Painting**

Learn the fun technique of painting with a plastic bag to create a personalized design for a burlap placemat. All supplies are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required.

10/27 SUN 2:00-4:00 BMPL

**Snowflake String Art**

Create a festive winter decoration for your home using wood, nails and string. Bring a friend to relax and get in touch with your creative side! All supplies are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required.

11/24 SUN 2:00-4:00 BMPL

ADULTS Continued

**Just Desserts Mystery Fiction Discussion Group**

**"After That Night," by Karin Slaughter's**

The Just Desserts mystery discussion group will read and discuss an author new to the group, Karin Slaughter "After That Night," the 11th in her popular "Will Trent" series. After this, attendees will share a round robin of whatever else they've been reading in the past month, emphasizing mysteries.

09/26 THU 6:30-7:45 BMPL

**Richard Stark (a.k.a. Donald Westlake) featuring his character "Parker"**

For the final Just Desserts mystery discussion group of the year, we will explore the classic older suspense series by Richard Stark (a.k.a. Donald Westlake) featuring his character "Parker." Participants can read any one (or more) of the 24 volumes in the series. After this, attendees will share a round robin of whatever else they've been reading in the past month, emphasizing mysteries.

10/24 THU 6:30-7:45 BMPL

**Adult Storytime**

Everyone likes being read to, so why should kids have all the fun? Join us for an evening of live readings (from short stories, novel fragments, poetry, plays, song lyrics, essays, etc), plus music samples from Nebraska performers or composers, adult coloring sheets, a carry-away craft, and a reading list.

**October theme: Scary stories or horror.**

10/17 THU 6:30-7:30 BMPL

**November theme: Authors and writers we're thankful for.**

11/21 THU 6:30-7:30 BMPL

Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors  
136 S. 14th Street

**Lunch at the Library**

Alan J. Bartels will discuss his book, "100 Things to Do in the Nebraska Sandhills Before you Die." Lunch at the Library is a program sponsored by the Nebraska Literary Heritage Association and Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries to benefit the Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors.

10/02 WED 12:10-1:00 BMPL

**Lunch at the Library**

Uche Okonkwo will discuss her book, A "Kind of Madness." Lunch at the Library is a program sponsored by the Nebraska Literary Heritage Association and Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries to benefit the Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors.

11/06 WED 12:10-1:00 BMPL

**Ames Reading Series**

Lincoln City Libraries and the Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors invites you to a very special John H. Ames Reading Series event. Lisa Clonch Tschauner will join us to read from her recent book, "Reclamation: A Novel."

10/13 SUN 2:00-3:00 BMPL

Bethany Branch Library  
1810 N. Cotner Blvd. | 402-441-8550

YOUTH

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09/05 THU 10:30-11:30 BETH

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10/24 THU 10:30-11:30 BETH

ADULTS

**Bethany BookTalks Weekly Group**

Each weekly BookTalks session features a different presenter sharing their reading recommendations. Registration is not required, and drop-in attendance is encouraged

FRIDAYS 10:30-11:30 BETH

Polley Music Library  
136 S. 14th Street

**Songwriting/Composing Club**

Are you a songwriter or composer interested in sharing your work? Need help with writer's block or a particular part that doesn't feel quite right? Join the Songwriting/Composing Club at the Polley Music Library and meet other musicians in the area! Bring an instrument, your laptop, sheet music, lyrics, or just come to talk about what you're working on.

09/12 THU 6:00-7:00 BMPL

10/19 SAT 2:00-3:00 BMPL

11/14 THU 6:00-7:00 BMPL

**Surrealist Games with Polley Music Library**

Polley Music Librarian Scott has been hosting surrealist game parties since the 1990s. Come learn what they are and how to play a few! Games covered will include literary and visual games, as well as musical adaptations, all of which encourage collaboration and creativity.

09/28 SAT 2:00-3:00 BMPL

**Bolzen Beer Band Performance**

Fresh off this year's Oktoberfest celebrations, come see the Bolzen Beer Band at the Polley Music Library! This high energy trio will perform, as well as discuss the musical traditions they work with, steeped in German and Czech music and culture.

11/09 SAT 2:00-3:00 BMPL

**ALL AGES**

**Pumpkins in Print Contest**

All ages are invited to join the Eiseley Branch Library Pumpkins in Print Contest! Decorate a pumpkin like your favorite book character or theme. Decorated pumpkins (no carved pumpkins please) will be accepted at the Eiseley Branch Library from October 12 - 20. Public voting will occur from October 21 - 27. Prizes will be awarded on October 31. Please visit or contact Eiseley Branch Library for complete entry rules.

**National Day on Writing Workshop**

We're hosting a writer's workshop! Participants will be given various prompts. There will be a combination of both solo and collaborative writing exercises.

10/20 SUN 2:00-3:30 EISE

**Creepy Cricut and Monstrous Makerspace Projects**

Join us to learn how to use both our Cricut and 3D Printer. We will have some seasonal vinyl decals and pre-made Makerspace items available.

10/27 SUN 2:00-4:00 EISE

**YOUTH**

**Storytime Kickoff with Bluey!**

Join us for crafts, fun and stories about our favorite Blue Heeler!

09/03 TUE 6:30-7:30 EISE

**Play Time for Youth**

We invite children and parents/caregivers to play with our developmental toy collection. We have set aside this time because research show the importance of unstructured play for children. Caregivers and parents - please remember to supervise your children while you visit and look for books.

09/08-11/24

SUNDAYS 1:00-2:00 EISE

**Dress Up Storytime**

**Superheroes!**

Calling all caped crusaders to storytime!

10/01 TUE 6:30-7:30 EISE

**Knights and Royalty!**

Calling all highborn and heroes to storytime!

10/08 TUE 6:30-7:30 EISE

**Mythical Creatures!**

Whether you're an ogre or unicorn, all are invited to storytime!

10/15 TUE 6:30-7:30 EISE

**Masquerade Night!**

Come as whomever you would like to be at storytime!

10/29 TUE 6:30-7:30 EISE

**YOUTH Continued**

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10/22 TUE 6:30-7:30 EISE

**DiNovember Celebration!**

We're roaring into November with a dinosaur storytime! Join us for crafts and a dino-mite evening.

11/05 TUE 6:30-7:30 EISE

**TEENS**

**Adventure Society**

Calling all adventurers! If you are looking for quests, battles and fun, join us on the third Tuesday of the month to play D & D.

09/17 TUE 6:00-7:30 EISE

10/15 TUE 6:00-7:30 EISE

11/19 TUE 6:00-7:30 EISE

**Spooky Door Decor**

Greet your guests with a haunting hello! Supplies will be available to make this delightfully creepy craft.

09/26 THU 6:00-7:30 EISE

**Do You Believe in Ghosts?**

Join us for an hour of true ghost stories and an exploration of the paranormal.

10/12 SAT 3:00-4:00 EISE

**CSI: Crime Scene Investigation**

Find out what happens behind the scene of the crime. Erin Sims, Forensic Lab Manager from LPD, will be sharing her experience with us.

11/03 SUN 2:00-3:00 EISE

**ADULTS**

**Computer Basics 101**

Knowing how to use a desktop computer in today's world is important. Bills, job applications, and setting up appointments for everyday things are mostly done online now. Sign up for our class and feel more confident. Register online or by calling 402-441-4250. Space is limited.

09/09 MON 6:00-7:30 EISE

09/11 WED 6:00-7:30 EISE

09/16 MON 6:00-7:30 EISE

09/18 WED 6:00-7:30 EISE

09/23 MON 6:00-7:30 EISE

09/25 WED 6:00-7:30 EISE

**ADULTS Continued**

**One Book One Lincoln Meets Once Upon A Crime**

The One Book One Lincoln title "The Berry Pickers" by Amanda Peters, addresses the theme of missing Indigenous people. This month's Once Upon a Crime program will be a mash-up featuring the topic of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women. Guest presenter, Jen Jackson, will highlight one particular case and discuss the overall epidemic concerning this community. Whether you've read The Berry Pickers or just want to learn more about the MMIW/MMIP movements, we would love to see you at this special event.

09/10 TUE 6:30-7:30 EISE

**Creative Mending**

Save your favorite pair of jeans and the world at the same time. Learn how to mend your wardrobe through embroidery and other techniques. Please bring an item of clothing that needs mending and Tracy will get you started.

09/22 SUN 1:00-4:00 EISE

**Word Basics for Beginners**

Learn Microsoft Word basics through typing a letter to a friend. We will be going over things like selecting fonts, modifying spacing, aligning text, copying and pasting, and adding images. Register online or by calling 402-441-4250. Space is limited.

10/07 MON 6:00-7:30 EISE

10/09 WED 6:00-7:30 EISE

10/14 MON 6:00-7:30 EISE

10/16 WED 6:00-7:30 EISE

10/21 MON 6:00-7:30 EISE

10/23 WED 6:00-7:30 EISE

**Once Upon A Crime - Small Town Crimes**

Do you love True Crime and local mysteries? Join us for all things criminal to discuss current crime obsessions. Bring your favorite stories to share and get sentenced to FUN!

10/08 TUE 6:30-7:45 EISE

**Holiday Mocktails**

Holidays are a time to entertain. Learn how to mix some flavorful zero proof libations that everyone can enjoy. There will be samples. This program is intended for adults.

11/02 SAT 3:00-4:00 EISE

**Beautiful Your Bag**

Learn how to create beautiful marbled designs on a canvas tote.

11/07 THU 6:00-7:00 EISE

**ALL AGES**

**Family Fun Night**

**The 10/11 Weather Shield**

Learn about weather from a 10/11 meteorologist and tour the Weather Shield mobile weather lab. Family Fun Nights feature crafts, games and activities for families to enjoy together.

09/03 TUE 5:30-7:00 GERE

**Reptile Appreciation**

Stop by the Gere Branch Library to meet live snakes and learn about Nebraska's native reptile species from Nebraska Game and Parks staff. Family Fun Nights feature crafts, games and activities for families to enjoy together.

10/01 TUE 5:30-7:00 GERE

**Crafts, Games and Activities**

Drop by the Gere Branch Library for a variety of crafts, games and activities that are fun for the whole family.

11/05 TUE 5:30-7:00 GERE



**Celebrating Willa Cather**

Join us for a celebration of Willa Cather! This reception will feature remarks by Ashley Olson, Executive Director of the National Willa Cather Center, and a talk by Cather scholar Steve Shively on Willa's connection to Lincoln. A dialogue with artist Littleton Alson, creator of the Cather sculpture (recently installed at the National Statuary Hall in the U.S. Capitol Building) will precede the reveal of the Library's own Cather statuette that was donated by Lincoln residents Glenda Pierce and Jeff Kirkpatrick. This gift will be on permanent display at the Gere Branch Library.

09/21 SAT 11:00-1:00 GERE

**YOUTH**

**Reptile Art for K-12**

Draw, paint or sculpt an entry for the 2024 K-12 Reptile Art Competition sponsored by Nebraska Game and Parks. Live reptiles will be on hand for inspiration, and a variety of art supplies will be provided. Participants will be able to digitally submit their entries with help from library staff and take home their finished project.

10/15 TUE 1:30-3:00 GERE

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10/17 THU 6:30-7:30 GERE

**TEENS**

**Random Fandom Club**

Whether you're into anime, comic books, video games, RPGs, books, movies, or TV shows, our Random Fandom club is the place for you! Join us to discuss and celebrate all things pop culture. Discover new fandoms, connect with friends new and old, and release your inner geek with a variety of activities from cosplay to trivia. This is a Teen program intended for ages 11-17.

09/09 MON 6:00-7:00 GERE

10/14 MON 6:00-7:00 GERE

11/04 MON 6:00-7:00 GERE

**ADULTS**

**Circle of Friends**

Circle of Friends is an adaptive program for adults accompanied by a support person. Activities may include crafts, exercise and stories. All abilities and skill levels encouraged!

WEDNESDAYS 1:00-2:30 GERE

**Gere BookTalks**

A library staff member will do a short presentation of several books from Lincoln City Libraries. Those attending will then have the opportunity to talk about a book they recently read.

09/10 TUE 2:00-3:00 GERE

10/08 TUE 2:00-3:00 GERE

11/12 TUE 2:00-3:00 GERE

**ADULTS Continued**

**Upcycled Jewelry Making**

Breathe new life into old or gaudy jewelry! Bring your own or use some pieces provided, and we will assemble new earrings, necklaces and bracelets. One person's trash is another's treasure! Registration is required online.

09/17 TUE 6:30-7:30 GERE

**Trivia Night**

Impress your friends and learn a few new facts about football at Trivia Night! Doors open at 6:15 pm with trivia starting promptly at 6:30 pm. Compete as a team or as an individual.

**Fall Means Football**

09/24 TUE 6:30-7:30 GERE

**Spooky Movies**

10/29 TUE 6:30-7:30 GERE

**90s Music November**

11/26 TUE 6:30-7:30 GERE

**Frankentoys for Adults**

Why should the kids have all the fun?! We can provide the toys (mostly items from our lost and found) as well as glue, scissors and sewing thread to assemble creative creature combinations. Tonight is the night to let your imagination run free! Registration is required online.

10/15 TUE 6:00-7:00 GERE

**Bad Art Night**

Our goal is to make the worst creation possible! At the end of the session, participants will vote on the worst piece of art for a prize. Note: acrylic paint stains so please wear an apron or old clothes. Registration is required online.

11/19 TUE 6:30-7:30 GERE



**ALL AGES**

**Family Fun Night**

Drop by the South Branch Library for a variety of crafts, games and activities that are fun for the whole family.

09/19	THU	5:30-7:00	SOUTH
10/17	THU	5:30-7:00	SOUTH
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10/16	WED	10:30-11:30	SOUTH
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**ADULTS**

**Crafternoon**

**Acrylic Paint Pouring**

Pour your heart out! Come learn the techniques needed to create your own masterpiece. Materials are provided and space is limited. Registration is required. Please wear old clothing. Acrylic paint stains.

09/15	SUN	2:00-3:30	SOUTH
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**Sculpting with Polymer Clay**

Come and craft some creatures using polymer clay. All supplies will be provided. Registration is required.

10/20	SUN	2:00-3:30	SOUTH
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**To-Be-Read Jar**

Tackle your To-Be-Read List this winter by creating a fun To Be Read Jar. Bring your creative ideas and a list of books you can't wait to read. Please wear old clothing. Acrylic paint stains. Registration is required.

11/17	SUN	2:00-3:30	SOUTH
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**ALL AGES**

**Family Fun Night**

Enjoy an unstructured evening with seasonal activities, games and crafts that are fun for the whole family.

09/05	THU	5:30-7:00	WALT
10/03	THU	5:30-7:00	WALT
11/07	THU	5:30-7:00	WALT

**3D Printing/Fusion 360 Training**

Learn how to use a 3D printer and software! Come be trained on Walt's Luzbot mini 3D printer and 3D design software AutoCAD Fusion 360. Register online or by calling 402-441-4460. Must be 13+ or attend with an adult.

09/17	TUE	4:30-5:30	WALT
10/15	TUE	4:30-5:30	WALT
11/19	TUE	4:30-5:30	WALT

**Creature Comforts: Crafting Homes for Wild Neighbors**

Join Nebraska Game and Parks and Lincoln City Libraries for an engaging, hands-on program designed to connect families with the natural world around them. In this workshop, families will create a frog and toad abode to place in their backyard. Participants will also receive information on how to attract amphibians to their yard and learn to identify different species. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited and registration is required at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/ToadAbode](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ToadAbode).

09/26	THU	6:00-7:30	WALT
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**Lotería**

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a rousing game of Lotería. Learn about the history of this Mexican game similar to Bingo and see if you will be the first to call Lotería!

09/29	SUN	4:00-5:30	WALT
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**Literary Pumpkin Parade**

Join the literary pumpkin parade! All ages are invited to decorate pumpkins like your favorite book character or theme (no carved pumpkins please). Drop them off between October 1 and October 15. View this community art display between October 16 and October 22 and vote for your favorite pumpkins! Winners will be announced on October 23.

**Puzzle Fest**

Did you know working puzzles helps sharpen your memory and improves fine motor skills? Jump start the holidays and enjoy a relaxing afternoon with family and friends. Puzzles for all ages and a wide range of complexities will be available for you to try. Fun for the whole family!

11/24	SUN	2:00-6:00	WALT
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**YOUTH**

**Bluey Loves Books**

Help Bluey and the Heeler family celebrate National Library Card signup month. "Doot" some books (for real life or pretend) and enjoy some of Bluey's favorite games and crafts. Wackadoo!

09/12	THU	5:00-7:30	WALT
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**LEGO Brick Sunday**

Drop in and free-build with our LEGO brick collection.

09/15	SUN	2:00-4:00	WALT
10/20	SUN	2:00-4:00	WALT
11/17	SUN	2:00-4:00	WALT

**Musical Bookworms**

Lincoln Symphony Orchestra's mission is to present inspiring experiences for families to discover and cultivate a connection with orchestral music - and they're bringing it to the library with stories and their beloved Instrument Petting Zoo!

10/19	SAT	10:30-11:30	WALT
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**Book Parade Storytime**

Wear your costumes and enjoy a special storytime with our favorite seasonal books. Join the parade and trick or treat around the library after storytime.

10/31	THU	2:00-2:30	WALT
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**TEENS**

**Dice Guild**

Come one and all! Players of all levels! A guild for adventurers, mystery-seekers and pathfinders of imagination! Featuring: Dungeons and Dragons 5E.

9/05	THU	3:30-5:30	WALT
09/19	THU	3:30-5:30	WALT
10/03	THU	3:30-5:30	WALT
10/17	THU	3:30-5:30	WALT
11/07	THU	3:30-5:30	WALT
11/21	THU	3:30-5:30	WALT

**Manga/Anime Club**

Join us for an evening of crafts, snacks, manga and anime!

09/16	MON	6:00-7:30	WALT
10/21	MON	6:00-7:30	WALT
11/18	MON	6:00-7:30	WALT

**Dice Guild: One-Shot Edition**

A guild for adventurers, mystery-seekers and pathfinders of imagination! In this special one-day session, we'll enter the world of a new tabletop RPG. Learn the mechanics, create a character (or two), and prepare for battle! Featuring: Honey Heist.

10/26	SAT	2:00-5:00	WALT
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**ADULTS**

**Circle of Friends**

Circle of Friends is an adaptive program for adults accompanied by a support person. Activities may include crafts, exercise and stories. All abilities and skill levels encouraged!

TUESDAYS 1:00-2:30 WALT

**Introduction to the Cricut Machine**

Curious about the Cricut? Join us for an introduction to these crafty cutting machines and become trained to use the library's Cricut. Space is limited.

Register online or by calling 402-441-4460. Must be 19+ or attend with a guardian.

09/07 SAT 3:00-4:30 WALT

10/07 MON 6:00-7:30 WALT

11/03 SUN 6:00-7:30 WALT

**Crafternoon**

**DIY Building Block Succulent Plant Pots**

Build a colorful planter or pot for a succulent or create something entirely original using toy building blocks!

Materials are provided. Just bring your imagination! Space is limited.

Registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4460.

09/08 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

**Fall Wreath**

Do you like to reuse items when crafting? Join us to make a lovely fall-themed wreath from book pages. All supplies will be provided. Register online or by calling 402-441-4460.

10/13 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

**Simple Bookbinding**

Learn a variety of beginner friendly techniques for bookbinding followed by scrapbooking. Space is limited. Registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4460.

11/10 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

**Silent Library**

Enjoy refreshments from The Mill, a book swap and peace to read in silence.

09/18 WED 6:00-7:30 WALT

10/16 WED 6:00-7:30 WALT

11/20 WED 6:00-7:30 WALT

**B.Y.O.B(ook) Club**

This is not your traditional book club! Join us with a title (or titles) from your reading life that follow the monthly discussion prompt and add to your own To-Be-Read list with recommendations from the group.

**This month's prompt: a book outside your reading comfort zone.**

09/19 THU 11:30-12:30 WALT

**This month's prompt: a book with a holiday plot.**

10/17 THU 11:30-12:30 WALT

**This month's prompt: a debut novel.**

11/21 THU 11:30-12:30 WALT

**ADULTS Continued**

**Celebrate Amy Tan**

In honor of best-selling author Amy Tan's visit for the Governor's Lecture on the Humanities, Lincoln City Libraries will present a celebration of her works and life. Join us for a booktalk featuring her novels and non-fiction titles, as well as facts and tidbits from her life and how they have contributed to her work. We will also have an open discussion to share your favorites or ask questions to learn more about this prolific and award-winning author.

09/21 SAT 2:00-3:00 WALT

**Teacher Toolkit**

It's a new school year, and the library has a new website. This workshop will help you navigate the new website and introduce you to digital databases that will support your work as an educator. All home educators, school teachers and life-long learners are welcome!

10/10 THU 6:00-7:30 WALT

**Zentangle Zoom**

Learn easy "tangling" designs to create unique backgrounds for cards using just a pen and background papers. This class will be presented via Zoom in the library by Michigan resident and Zentangle expert Mary Hillen. All supplies will be provided. Registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4460.

10/17 THU 6:00-7:30 WALT

**Adult Trivia Night**

Impress your friends and learn a few new facts at Walt's Adult Trivia Night! Sign in starts at 5:30 pm with trivia starting promptly at 6:00 pm. Register a team of up to six people online or by calling 402-441-4460. Walk-in individuals and teams welcome, but space is limited.

10/20 SUN 5:30-7:30 WALT

**Greeting Card Gala**

Gorgeous greeting cards made easy. Learn tips and tricks to make your handmade cards be outstanding. Supplies are provided, but feel free to bring your own sharp scissors and decorative odds and ends to help embellish your cards. Space is limited. Registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4460.

11/03 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

**TEENS**

**After-School Special**

While our after-school special program won't save the world, it will be fun! Join us for a variety of activities like crafts and Minute-to-Win-It challenges. Every week we'll be doing something different.

WEDNESDAYS 4:00-5:00 WILL

**Spooky Door Decor**

Greet your guests with a haunting hello! Supplies will be available to make this delightfully creepy craft.

09/30 MON 6:00-7:30 WILL

**ADULTS**

**Holiday Cards with Cricut**

We will have a variety of holiday motifs and will be making cards for the season.

11/02 SAT 2:00-3:30 WILL

**Senior Coffee at Air Park Community Center**

Join library staff once a month for Air Park Community Center's Senior Coffee group. Learn about library resources and enjoy some coffee with community members.

09/13 FRI 10:00-11:00 WILL

10/11 FRI 10:00-11:00 WILL

11/08 FRI 10:00-11:00 WILL

## LOCATIONS AND HOURS

### BENNETT MARTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

136 S. 14th Street  
(402) 441-8530

Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 10 AM–8 PM

Friday–Saturday: 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday: 12–6 PM

### ANDERSON BRANCH LIBRARY

3635 Touzalin Avenue  
(402) 441-8540

Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 10 AM–8 PM

Friday–Saturday: 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday: 12–8 PM

### BETHANY BRANCH LIBRARY

1810 N. Cotner Boulevard  
(402) 441-8550

Hours:

Monday–Saturday: 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday: Closed

### EISELEY BRANCH LIBRARY

1530 Superior Street  
(402) 441-4250

Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 10 AM–8 PM

Friday–Saturday: 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday: 12–8 PM

### GERE BRANCH LIBRARY

2400 S. 56th Street  
(402) 441-8560

Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 10 AM–8 PM

Friday–Saturday: 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday: 12–8 PM

### SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

2675 South Street  
(402) 441-8570

Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 10 AM–8 PM

Friday–Saturday: 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday: 12–8 PM

### WALT BRANCH LIBRARY

6701 S. 14th Street  
(402) 441-4460

Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 10 AM–8 PM

Friday–Saturday: 10 AM–6 PM

Sunday: 12–8 PM

### WILLIAMS BRANCH LIBRARY

4900 Mike Scholl Street  
(402) 441-8580

Hours:

Monday–Tuesday: 4–8 PM

Wednesday–Thursday: 10 AM–6 PM

Friday, Saturday and Sunday: 1–6 PM

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Search the Library catalog, place holds, renew materials, and manage your account on your mobile device. Store your library card and link multiple cards to one access point.



The Libby mobile app is designed to make borrowing and enjoying eBooks and audiobooks easier.



Hoopla provides streaming of movies, TV shows, music, eBooks, audiobooks, and comics to your browser or mobile device.



HelpNow for Homework provides free homework help, online tutoring, and preparation for standardized tests for students from kindergarten to adult in the areas of math, English, science, social studies, and more.



Lessons in foreign languages, plus English for speakers of other languages.



Track your reading to earn incentives at your library and stay motivated to read.



Includes Peterson's Test and Career Prep to find all the tools you need to discover your passion, ace your exams, and excel in your career; and Chilton Library for automotive repair information.



TumbleBook Library is a collection of animated talking picture books that includes foreign language titles, Read-Alongs, and eBooks.



Our Lied Bookmobile brings individualized library service to areas throughout Lincoln and Lancaster County.

The team brings books, movies, audiobooks, video games and more for youth and adults to a location near you! Internet access is available for on-board.

The Bookmobile visits:

- Towns and cities in Lancaster County
- Areas in Lincoln not close to existing libraries

### HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

Sunday, September 1, 2024

Monday, September 2, 2024

LIBRARY INSERVICE DAY

Friday, September 20, 2024

VETERANS DAY

Monday, November 11, 2024

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Thursday, November 28, 2024

Friday, November 29, 2024



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