

Off the Shelf

EVENT CALENDAR

JANUARY 2024

Events are open to the public but may require registration. | Adults must accompany children. | All materials provided unless otherwise indicated.



Let the Adventure Begin! Read City Launch

Join us **January 30 at 4:00** at the **Bijou Theatre**, as real-life explorers Matthew Henson, Sophia Danenberg, Amelia Earhart, David Crockett, Jacques Cousteau, and Neil Armstrong are brought to life by **Knoxville Children's Theatre** to share their remarkable stories.

Don't miss our guests:

- Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs**
- WBIR's Robin Wilhoit**
- A very special furry friend!**

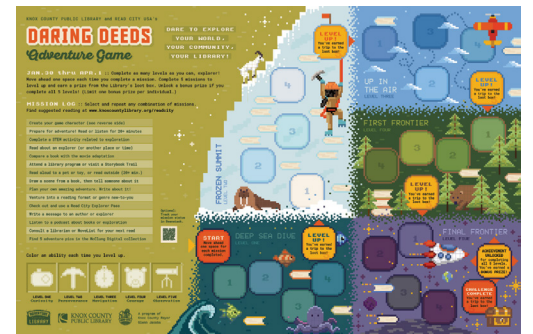
This production launches Mayor Jacobs' 2024 challenge, **"Adventure begins at your Library"**. Complete various **literacy missions** to "level up" and earn prizes for reading, learning, playing, and exploring. We encourage you to join **Mayor Jacobs** and **Read City USA** as we start the first challenge, the Daring Deeds Adventure Game!



If you can't make the show, you can still participate! Pick up your gameboard at any library location beginning January 30, or track your mission status in Beanstack.

This event was made possible with support from the Jane L. Pettway Foundation and the Bijou Theatre.

Daring Deeds Adventure Game



It's game on in Read City this year! Follow in the footsteps of six great adventurers as you progress through the Daring Deeds Adventure Game. This year, tracking your progress has gotten a power-up! To advance along your reading journey, choose a mission to complete. Each mission counts as progress for one step toward your next "level up". Each time you level up, you'll get to choose a small prize from the "loot box". Once you've collected five loot box prizes, you'll unlock a bonus prize!

Create your own Avatar!



Pick up a craft sheet and bring to life an avatar to explore your gameboard! Decorate a pre-designed avatar based on a real explorer, or create your own. "The sky's the limit", as Amelia Earhart might say!

STORYTIMES

Lawson McGhee Library

Baby	Thurs.	10:30
Toddler	Wed.	10:00
Preschool	Wed.	11:00

Bearden Branch Library

Baby	Fri.	10:30
Toddler	Wed.	10:15
Preschool	Tues.	10:15

Burlington Branch Library

Preschool	Tues.	10:30
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Carter Branch Library

Preschool	Tues.	1:30
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Cedar Bluff Branch

Baby	Tues.	10:30
Baby	Tues.	11:15
Toddler	Wed.	10:30
Toddler	Wed.	11:15
Preschool	Thurs.	10:30

Farragut Branch Library

Baby	Wed.	10:30
Toddler	Thurs.	10:30
Preschool	Mon.	10:30
Ready, set, K!	Tues.	10:30

Fountain City Branch

Baby	Fri.	11:00
Preschool	Fri.	10:15

Halls Branch Library

Baby	Fri.	10:30
Toddler	Wed.	10:30
Preschool	Wed.	11:00

Howard Pinkston Branch

Preschool	Wed.	10:30
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Karns Branch Library

Toddler	Wed.	10:30
Preschool	Wed.	11:00

North Knoxville Branch

Preschool	Wed.	11:00
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Norwood Branch Library

Baby	Wed.	10:00
Preschool	Wed.	11:00

Powell Branch Library

Baby	Wed.	10:30
Preschool	Fri.	10:30

Pajama

First Thurs. of each month

Sequoyah Branch Library

Preschool	Thurs.	10:30
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South Knoxville Branch

Preschool	Wed.	10:30
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BOOKS



Library Book Clubs

Check out future dates online to read ahead!

Halls Literary Social Hour		
Jan 2	Halls	1:00 PM
All Over the Page: "The Road"		
Jan 8	Lawson McGhee	6:30 PM
Cookbook Club		
Jan 13	Norwood	11:00 AM
Pop Culture Book Club: "Twilight"		
Jan 16	Bearden	6:00 PM
Cedar Bluff Book Circle		
Jan 18	Cedar Bluff	1:00 PM
Evening Reads		
Jan 22	Bearden	6:00 PM

OUR FULL EVENT CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE.



On the Road with Ask a Librarian

Looking for help navigating the library's website or catalog? Have a new tablet or device and want to take advantage of our free electronic resources? Reference Librarians are here to help!

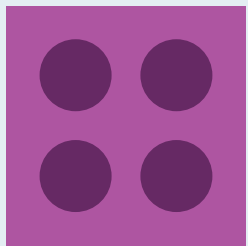
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JANUARY 3 CEDAR BLUFF

JANUARY 17 FOUNTAIN CITY

JANUARY 24 BURLINGTON

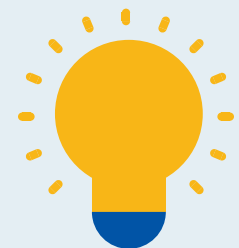
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LEGO® Clubs

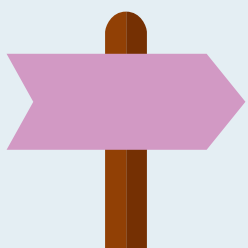
Look for building clubs at 5 library locations! (Bearden, Burlington, Howard Pinkston, Halls, and Karns). Search our online calendar for a time and location that suits your family.

LEGOs are provided by the library and cannot be taken home. LEGO and Mega Bloks do not sponsor, authorize or endorse these events.



Brainfuse

Your library card can get you access to free live tutoring, ACT and GED test prep, skills classes, online collaboration meeting sessions, and much more! Just visit the Brainfuse HelpNow resource on our website.



Storybook Trails

Visit our Storybook Trails at West View Park, Collier Preserve (next to Powell Branch Library), Ijams Nature Center, and Beverly Park. Stories will rotate seasonally.

Directory

(865) area code

- Lawson McGhee 215-8750
Bearden 588-8813
Burlington 525-5431
Carter 933-5438
Cedar Bluff 470-7033
Corryton 688-1501
Farragut 777-1750
Fountain City 689-2681
Halls 922-2552
Howard Pinkston 573-0436
Karns 470-8663
Mascot 933-2620
Murphy 521-7812
North Knoxville 525-7036
Norwood 688-2454
Powell 947-6210
Sequoyah 525-1541
South Knoxville 573-1772

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CHILDREN & FAMILY

TUES JAN 2

Full STEAM Ahead: Just Add Milk

HALLS | 11:00 AM

Ages 3-5 | Activities and opportunities to explore STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) principles.



THUR JAN 4

Family Game Night

BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM

Bring the family and come join us for a fun-filled board and video game night.

Crafternoons

Ages 3+ | A safe place for kids to gather, work on social and motor skills, and just have fun.

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Special Storytimes

Join us for these unique storytime events. Look for weekly storytimes on the front page or online.

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Saturday Stories & Songs

These programs highlight a variety of talented storytellers, musicians, and performers. The program is held at a different library location each week.

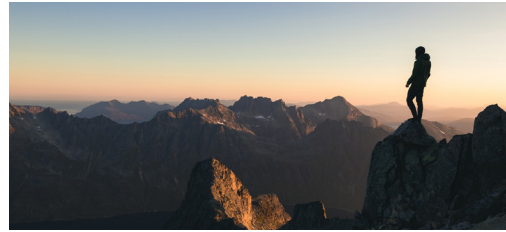
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TUES JAN 9

STEAM: The Science of Library Science

POWELL | 6:00 PM

Grades K-8 | Learn what the Dewey Decimal System and discover the benefits of having a library card. Then, create a Dewey Decimal bookmark to take home.



THUR JAN 11

Legends & Landmarks: Adventure is Out There

KARNS | 3:30 PM

Simple map terms will lead to library learning fun and stickers like explorer and mountaineer Sophia Danenberg!

TUES JAN 16

Bad Art: Paper Sweaters

HOWARD PINKSTON | 6:00 PM

Ages 5-17 | Create an ugly winter sweater "disaster-piece!"

WED JAN 17

New Year Calendar Collage

CEDAR BLUFF | 6:00 PM

Ring in the new year by creating your own custom calendar for 2024.



Happy Birthday Dolly Events

Join us for these Dolly-themed events as we celebrate her 78th birthday! Enjoy an Imagination Library book storytime, make crafts, write a letter to Dolly, and snack on treats with us!

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THUR JAN 18

The Puzzle Hour

BURLINGTON | 5:00 PM

Join our puzzle club! Whether you are 3 or 103, we have a variety of puzzles for every age and skill level.

MON JAN 22

Museum Mondays: Fun With Fossils

HALLS | 3:00 PM

Grades 3-8 | The American Museum of Science & Energy teaches us about fossils!

TUES JAN 23

Wildlife is Everywhere

BURLINGTON | 10:30 AM

Stephanie Mueller, Seven Islands Park Ranger, will bring animal pelts and feathers to learn the difference between wild and domesticated animals.

WED JAN 24

Early Release Day Fun: Pigeon Party

LAWSON MCGHEE | 2:00 PM

Let's celebrate all things Mo Willems, including the Pigeon and his friends Elephant & Piggie, on Early Release Day.



THUR JAN 25

DIY Pinecone Bird Feeders

HALLS | 5:00 PM

Ages 5-12 | Make your own pinecone bird feeder to take home.

SAT JAN 27

The 2nd Annual Puzzle Race

CEDAR BLUFF | 2:00 PM

Teams of two will race each other to complete a 300-piece jigsaw puzzle in honor of international puzzle day.

TUES JAN 30

Snowy Paper Towns

HOWARD PINKSTON | 6:00 PM

Ages 7-12 | Create and decorate your own colorful snowy paper town!

ADULTS

THUR JAN 4

Beginner's Cross Stitch

NORWOOD | 6:00 PM

This program is aimed for beginners to learn cross-stitch basics. Each month we will stitch a different design.

MON JAN 8

Lap Craft Club

FARRAGUT | 6:00 PM

Join us for an hour of casual crafting. Bring your own supplies. Books displayed and snacks provided.



MON JAN 8

You CAN Craft: Easy Crafts for Adults

NORWOOD | 6:00 PM

Participate in approachable, easy crafts geared toward adults that want to express their artistic side.

TUES JAN 9

Mastering Medicare: Turning 65

CEDAR BLUFF | 1:00 PM

Gain in-depth knowledge of Medicare options including when to enroll, the differences between Medicare supplement and Medicare advantage plans, prescription drug coverage, & more.

THUR JAN 10

Planning and Planting a Spring Garden

CEDAR BLUFF | 6:00 PM

Learn how to start your spring garden!

THUR JAN 11

Paper Art

BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM

Join us in making crafts like quilling, jewelry-making, book folding, baskets.

THUR JAN 11

Travel Smart Series: Library Resources

NORWOOD | 6:00 PM

Explore online resources and physical materials to plan your best trip ever!

THUR JAN 11

Scrabble and Snacks

FARRAGUT | 6:00 PM

Spell your way into a triple-word score with other word lovers and enjoy a new snack mix!

SUN JAN 14

Music on the Mezzanine: Generations & Genres

LAWSON MCGHEE | 2:00 PM

Taber Gable takes our series in a new direction with this exploration of Knoxville's diverse music scene.

SUN JAN 21

Norwood Cross Stitch Guild

NORWOOD | 6:00 PM

Intermediate and advanced stitchers can work together on larger on-going projects. Feel free to bring your own work.

THUR JAN 18

MON JAN 22

Vintage Valentine Hearts

SEQUOYAH | 6:00 PM

Decoupage vintage valentines onto wooden hearts.



TUES JAN 23

Scrapbooking Club

HALLS | 6:00 PM

Join us for a fun time of scrapbooking. Please bring your own scrapbook and pictures, but basic craft supplies (scissors, glue, paper, pens) will be provided.

THUR JAN 25

Extra & Ordinary: Overlooked Stories of Extraordinary Women

NORWOOD | 6:00 PM

Explore this collection of Smithsonian objects and the fascinating stories of historic American women!

TUES JAN 30

Brush Hour

KARNS | 6:00 PM

The no skills necessary painting class. Wear appropriate clothes for painting.

TEENS



TUES JAN 9

DIY "To Be Read" Jars

HALLS | 6:00 PM

Decorate a jar and fill it with reading prompts to set your reading intentions for the New Year!

TUES JAN 16

Spooky Teen Book Club

HALLS | 5:00 PM

Come join us for an hour of talking about your favorite spooky reads.

SAT JAN 20

Teen Advisory Board Meeting

BEARDEN | 12:00 PM

Ages 14-18 | Meet new people to have fun and hang out with while advising us on future library programs, services, and events. Plus, your time counts as volunteer work!

