The Library Lineup

LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES | PROGRAM GUIDE

Victor E. Anderson Branch 3635 Touzalin Ave. | 402-441-8540 Bennett Martin Public Library 136 S. 14th St. | 402-441-8530

FREE



YOUTH

Construction Crew

Whether it's LEGO bricks, K'nex, Magna-Tiles or Keva Planks, we'll have free construction time for you and all of your building buddies.

02/02 SUN 1:00-3:00 **ANDR**

Love Your Library Family Night

Join us for crafts, games and heartshaped fun for the whole family. Leave with a special treat for your Valentine! 02/10 MON 6:00-7:00 ANDR

TEENS

Valentine Book-Folding for Teens

Need a Valentine present for someone special? Come learn how to fold a book into a sweet work of art.

02/13 THU 6:00-7:00 **ANDR**

ADULTS

Fiber Arts Workshop

The Fiber Arts Workshop provides a supportive space in which you can work on your unfinished guilting, sewing, knitting, crochet, embroidery, cross-stitch, or other fiber arts projects. Attendees bring their own supplies. All are encouraged to ask questions, offer advice and discuss techniques, as well as share finished projects during "showand-tell." Drop-in attendance is encouraged.

02/12 6:00-7:45 ANDR WED

Paper Arts Workshop

WED

02/19

The Paper Arts Workshop provides a supportive space in which you can work on your unfinished scrapbooking, cardmaking, paper cutting, quilling, origami, drawing, collage, or junk journal projects. Attendees bring their own supplies. All are encouraged to ask questions, offer advice and discuss techniques, as well as share finished projects during "show-and-tell." Drop-in attendance is encouraged.

6:00-7:45

ANDR

- Downtown Parking is FREE: • at meters on Sundays
- weekdays after 6 p.m.
- 1-hour free parking in Eagle

ALL AGES

Discover the Library: Tour for English Language Learners

At Lincoln City Libraries, we have a lot of resources to help English Language Learners and their tutors. Come tour Bennett Martin Public Library and check out what's available! Limited English speakers are welcome! 02/12 **BMPL**

WED 11:30-12:30

YOUTH

Block Party!

LEGO bricks, Mega Blocks, giant cardboard blocks, wooden blocks, bristle blocks and more! You're free to build whatever you'd like or ask us for a book-ish prompt. Join us for this informal, drop-in event.

02/18 TUE 4:00-6:00 **BMPL**

TEENS

Troll For Initiative - Beginner/ Intermediate D & D

We're going on an adventure! Where are we going? We don't know, but we'll have fun doing it. This group is meant for beginner and intermediate level DnD players. We'll meet the second and fourth Monday of each month. 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.

02/10 MON 4:30-6:00 **BMPL** 02/24 MON 4:30-6:00 **BMPL**

TEENS Continued

#BookTok IRL

Have a book that you couldn't put down and need to tell people about ASAP? Looking for the next book to make you cry, or laugh, or swoon? Wanna socialize with other bookworms? Then this event is for you! Get recs and discuss faves in a no iudgement zone by teens and for teens. 02/11 4:30-5:30 TUE **BMPL**

ADULTS

Lunch at the Library—A Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors Program

Jerry Bockoven will discuss his book, "What Rhymes With Therapy?: Poetic Pathways to Hope and Healing in Troubled Times." 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.

02/05 WED 12:10-1:00 **BMPL**

Beginner's American Sign Language

Have you ever wanted to learn another language? Join library staff member. Shantell F. every Thursday evening in February. Participants will learn the alphabet and numbers, fundamental grammar, how to sign personal information, and basic conversational phrases as well as aspects of Deaf culture and awareness. Registration is required.

02/06 THU 6:30-7:30 **BMPL** 02/13 THU 6:30-7:30 **BMPL** 02/20 THU 6:30-7:30 **BMPL** 02/27 THU 6:30-7:30 **BMPL**

Songwriting/Composing Club—A **Polley Music Library Program**

Are you a songwriter or composer interested in sharing your work? Need help with writers 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, a laptop, sheet music, lyrics, or just come to talk about what vou're working on!

02/13 THU 6:00-7:00 **BMPL**



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 with an unforgettable first line. 02/19 WED 6:30-7:30 RMPI

Adult Story Time

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 and a reading list. This month's theme: love in many forms!

02/20 THU 6:30-7:30 **BMPL**

Abcess Grenk Music Performance—A **Polley Music Library Program**

Lincoln artist Abcess Grenk, whose album "Erguss von Licht" was recently released on North Carolina label "Copy This!," will perform next to the Polley Music Library. AG incorporates modular synthesis, guitar soundscapes, and experimental visuals.

02/22 SAT 2:00-3:00 **BMPL**

Crafternoon - Fun Felt Kitty Pins

Join guest presenter, Library Service Associate Carrie, as she guides us in creating fun and whimsical kitty pins with felt, thread and buttons. All supplies are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required. BMPL 02/23 SUN 2:00-4:00

Just Desserts Mystery Fiction Discussion Group

The Just Dessert mystery discussion group will read and discuss the 2023 stand-alone historical suspense thriller "The White Lady" by Jacqueline Winspear. After the discussion, attendees will share a round robin of whatever else they've been reading in the past month (emphasizing mysteries).

02/27 THU 6:30-7:45 **BMPL**

ADULTS

02/21

Bethany BookTalks

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

Bethany Branch Library

1810 N. Cotner Blvd. | 402-441-8550

Kate has been learning more about Indigenous Peoples. She'll share the best of what she's seen and read.

FRI 10:30-11:30 BETH Love is in the air; Kim brings a variety of

things she loves! 02/14 FRI 10:30-11:30

Ali, our new library accountant, dips her mathematical toe into the booktalk scene.

10:30-11:30 BETH Life Stories: Lisa V. will share some of her favorite biographies and memoirs.

FDI

02/28 10:30-11:30 FRI

Bookmobile Schedule





Eiseley Branch Library 1530 Superior St. | 402-441-4250



Storytime Schedule



ALL AGES

Make a Card for Your Pal or Your Gal

Whether you celebrate Galentine's Day or Valentine's Day, it's always cool to show you care. Stop by and make a card. Supplies will be provided.

02/12 WED 4:00-600 **EISE**

ALL AGES Continued

Bird Feeders for Bird Count

Get ready for the Bird EnCOUNTer by painting a bird house and making a pine cone bird feeder. Bird houses will be provided while supplies last. We will be using peanut butter with the pine cones.

02/13 THU 6:00-7:30 EISE

Bird EnCOUNTer

Each February, for four days, the world comes together for the love of birds. We're inviting you to come to Eiseley to get started! We'll have different stations with binoculars and crafts. Visitors from the Raptor Recovery Center will be here as well!

02/15 SAT 10:00-1:00 EISE

YOUTH

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 shows the importance of unstructured play for children. Caregivers and parents - please remember to supervise your children while you visit and look for books.

02/02	SUN	1:00-2:00	EISE
02/09	SUN	1:00-2:00	EISE
02/16	SUN	1:00-2:00	EISE
02/23	SUN	1:00-2:00	EISE

Lunar New Year Storytime

Celebrate the Lunar New Year with stories and crafts.

02/04 TUE 6:30-7:30 **EISE**

Go Big Read! Storytime

Nebraska Athletics wants to help promote and support literacy in our Lincoln community. We'll sing, dance, bounce, and cheer our way through this very special storytime. Special quests from Nebraska Athletics. like Herbie, Lil' Red, and the Spirit Squad, will join us for this fun and "Go Big Read" filled storytime!

02/25 TUE 10:35-10:55 **EISE**

ADULTS

Once Upon A Crime—Crimes of **Passion**

Do you love True Crime and local mysteries? Join us for all things criminal the second Tuesday of every month where we discuss current crime obsessions. Bring your favorite stories to share, and get sentenced to FUN. 02/11 TUE 6:30-7:45 **EISE**



ALL AGES

Family Fun Night: Hearts

Drop by the Gere Branch for a variety of Valentine's Day themed crafts, games and activities that are fun for the whole family.

02/04 TUE 5:30-7:00 GERE

YOUTH

Music & Movement with 123 Andres (A Page-to-Stage Lied Center Partnership)

Join us for this extra special Music & Movement storytime with guest Andres and Christina from 123 Andres! 123 Andres is a Grammy-winning music duo; their catchy songs and lively performances will get the whole family dancing and learning in Spanish and English -- a perfect fit for Music & Movement! A select number of tickets to the 123 Andres performance on February 23 at the Lied Center will be made available to storytime participants through a giveaway drawing.

02/19 WED 10:05–10:35 GERE 02/19 WED 10:45–11:15 GERE

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02/25 TUE 10:05-10:35 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 program is part of our Teen Programming schedule and intended for ages 11-17.

02/10 MON 6:00-7:00 GERE

ADULTS

Gere BookTalks

Please join us for a Book Share at Gere! A library staff member will present a book they are reading. Afterwards, everyone will have a chance to talk about anything they are reading. Come ready to talk books (or just listen)! 02/03 MON 2:00–3:00 GERE

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 are welcome and encouraged to attend.

02/05	WED	1:00-2:30	GERE
02/12	WED	1:00-2:30	GERE
02/19	WED	1:00-2:30	GERE
02/26	WED	1:00-2:30	GERE

Bring-Your-Own-Craft Club

Stuck on a project? Need space to focus and work in peace? Join us at the library to participate in the Bring-Your-Own Craft Club where you can work in a quiet setting to get your craft projects done. Bring your craft supplies and a pair of headphones/earbuds to listen to music if you'd like!

02/05 WED 5:30-6:30 GERE

Telephone Tech Time

Have questions about your smartphone? Whether it's an android or an iPhone, we will be teaching some basic navigation skills that you can use immediately! Registration is required.

02/22 SAT 2:00-3:30 GERE

Short & Strange - Short Fiction Reading Group

Do you love reading and talking about fiction, but feel like you don't have much time to read? Have you tried book clubs in the past, but never found time to finish the whole book before the meeting? Are you interested in exploring speculative writing and other genres, but don't know where to start? Join us once a month where we'll read short stories and novellas that will inspire lively discussion. Registration is preferred, but drop-ins are welcome. Registrants will receive a reading list in advance.

02/24 MON 6:30-7:30 GERE

Trivia Night: 80s Music Mania

Impress your friends and learn a few new facts about 80s music 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.

02/26 WED 6:30-7:30 GERE

ALL AGES

Family Craft Night: Valentines

Stop by the South Branch to decorate valentines for your friends and family.

O2/11 TUE 5:30–7:00 SOUTH

ADULTS

Crafternoon: Drawing - How to Draw Eyes and Noses

We'll cover how to draw realistic eyes and noses, and if time, hair or fur. All supplies will be provided, but you may bring what you have if you prefer. Registration is required.

02/16 SUN 2:00-3:30 SOUTH

Walt Branch Library 6701 S. 14th St. | 402-441-4460



ALL AGES

Family Fun Night

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

02/06 THU 5:30-7:00 WALT

LEGO Brick Sunday

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

02/16 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

3D Printer/Fusion 360 Training

Learn how to use Walt's Bambu 3D printer and 3D design software Auto CAD Fusion 360. Register online or by calling 402-441-4460. Must be 13+ years old or attend with an adult.

02/18 TUE 4:30-5:30 WALT

YOUTH

Explore with Cubelets

Cubelets are robot blocks that help teach important problem-solving skills like collaboration, engineering, design and computational thinking. Learn about each of the blocks and solve challenges given by staff. Registration for each child is required online or by calling 402-441-4460.

02/08 SAT 2:30-3:30 WALT

Girls Who Code Club - Grades 3-5

Informational meeting for the inauguration of Walt Branch's Girls Who Code Club (NE58652). Build the foundational skills and understanding of computer science concepts and fellowship through reading discussions and coding activities. Open to kids in grades 3 - 5.

02/22 SAT 2:30-3:30 WALT

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02/25 TUE 10:15-10:45 WALT

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.

02/06 THU 3:30-5:30 WALT 02/20 THU 3:30-5:30 WALT

Kahoot! Teen Trivia Night!

6th - 12th graders! Join us at Walt Branch for a fun, Kahoot! Teen Trivia night with door prizes, snacks and beverages! Bring an internet-capable device to use for the virtual game. This event is intended for ages 11-17.

02/16 SUN 6:00-7:30 WALT

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ADULTS Continued

Crafternoon - Drop Cap Calligraphy

Drop cap is a typographic decorative letter featured at the beginning of a passage. Follow along with a pattern or create your own design in a variety of materials. Registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4460.

02/09 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

Baby's First Massage Moments

Learn fun and effective massage techniques to help your little one feel their best! In this hands-on class, Debbie Dugan, a licensed medical massage therapist with Via Medical Massage, will guide you through a soothing sequence of moves designed to ease your baby's digestion, tackle congestion, and calm any fussiness. Discover the magic of gentle touches that will turn your baby's discomforts into cuddles and smiles. Register online or by calling 402-441-4460. 02/18 TUF 1:30-2:30 WAIT

Silent Library

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

02/19 WED 6:00-7:30 WALT

Williams Branch Library 4900 Mike Scholl St. | 402-441-8580



TEENS

After-School Special

Hang out with your friends after school to play games, create crafts and enjoy other fun activities!

02/04	TUE	4:30-5:30	WILL
02/11	TUE	4:30-5:30	WILL
02/18	TUE	4:30-5:30	WILL
02/25	TUE	4:30-5:30	WILL

ADULTS

Senior Coffee

Join library staff on the second Friday of the month for Air Park Community Center's Senior Coffee group. Learn about library resources and enjoy some coffee with community members. 02/14 FRI 10:00–11:00 WILL

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

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

PRESIDENTS DAY Monday, February 17, 2025