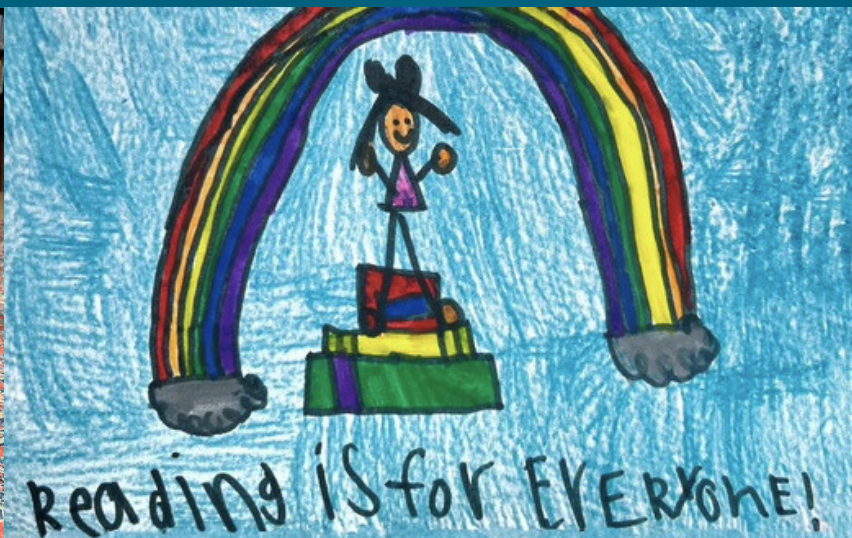


LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES | PROGRAM GUIDE



September is Library Card Sign-up Month, which makes it the perfect month to celebrate the artwork of Hazel, age 6, who was the first-ever winner of the Library Card Design Contest for Kids! The new card design will be available in September! Thank you to everyone who participated and voted.

Let Freedom Read Poster Displays

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Celebrate your freedom to read by visiting any Lincoln City Libraries location during Banned Books Week to see posters featuring favorite reads from around the community!

10/01-10/07 All Locations

Storytimes start up again the first week of September! Some locations will feature the popular **Heavy Equipment Encounter** program after their first storytime, so you don't want to miss that! Check inside to find locations and times!

Reading Education Assistance Dogs (READ to a Dog sessions) are back! See inside for details about how to register at your neighborhood branch.



The New Dan A. Williams Branch Library is Open!

This summer, we were thrilled to open the newly relocated and redesigned Dan A. Williams Branch Library, housed within the Air Park Community Center.

The Air Park neighborhood was originally served by the Arnold Heights Branch Library, which operated out of a former Air Force housing duplex for 35 years under an agreement with the Lincoln Housing Authority. Also in that building — the Arnold Heights Recreation Center! We are truly returning to our roots in this cooperative partnership with the Parks and Recreation department.

The new space has beautiful windows, giving magnificent views of the surrounding area. An outdoor covered patio space will be open to library users for reading, congregating and attending special programming that we will hold outside.

All of the great features of Williams Branch are still here, including a wide range of popular materials for children, teens, and adults; our programming; our wonderful staff that have assisted Air Park residents throughout the years... and most importantly — a fireplace that will be accessible both inside the library and to the recreation center!



There is a fully accessible conference room for community use and plenty of collaborative and private seating for those wanting to relax and read something from our updated collection, or those wishing to work together as a group.

Finally, we must mention how fortunate and thankful we've been to our friends and partners at Lincoln Public Schools. Since 2009, the Dan A. Williams Branch Library was housed in Arnold Elementary School, and although we have moved, we are still right next door! The new Air Park Community Center will continue to serve Arnold Elementary students and residents of the Air Park Neighborhood for many years to come. We hope to see you there!

Location Key:

ANDR:	Anderson Branch 3635 Touzalin Ave.
BMPL:	Bennett Martin Public Library 136 S. 14th St.
BETH:	Bethany Branch 1810 N. Cotner Blvd.
EIS:	Eiseley Branch 1530 Superior St.
GERE:	Gere Branch 2400 S. 56th St.
SOUTH:	South Branch 2675 South St.
WALT:	Walt Branch 6701 S. 14th St.
WILL:	Williams Branch 4900 Mike Scholl St.

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

ALL AGES

The Pigeon Family Night

Meet beloved children's book character the Pigeon from the series by Mo Willems. Get your photo taken with the Pigeon, and enjoy crafts, games, and other Pigeon fun.

10/16 MON 6:00-7:00 ANDR

KIDS

Heavy Equipment Encounter

Meet in the library parking lot to explore some of the machinery used by Lincoln's City Parks and Recreation and Transportation and Utilities Departments. The Fire and Police Departments will join us to show off their cool equipment too - if there are no fires or other emergencies!

09/06 WED 11:00-12:00 ANDR

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11/06 MON 6:00-6:45 ANDR

TEENS

Cricut Stickers for Teens

Learn how to make your own cool stickers using our Cricut machine.

11/13 MON 6:00-7:00 ANDR

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

KIDS

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10/22 SUN 4:00-5:00 BMPL

TEENS

Junk Journaling

Get messy, get colorful, get journaling. All you need is your creativity!

09/26 TUE 3:00-4:00 BMPL

Troll for Initiative: Dungeons & Dragons Gameplay

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. If you have questions, please contact Caitlin at 402-441-8575.

09/11 MON 4:30-6:00 BMPL

09/25 MON 4:30-6:00 BMPL

10/09 MON 4:30-6:00 BMPL

10/23 MON 4:30-6:00 BMPL

11/13 MON 4:30-6:00 BMPL

11/27 MON 4:30-6:00 BMPL

Teen Writers Workshop

Working on a story? Don't know where to start? We're hosting an open format workshop. Come for a little or come for a while.

10/16 MON 2:00-4:00 BMPL

ADULTS

B.Y.O.B(ook) Club

This is not your traditional book club! Join us with a title from your own reading life that follows the monthly discussion prompt and add to your own to-be read list, with recommendations from the group.

September prompt: Your favorite book with a rural setting.

09/20 WED 6:30-7:30 BMPL

October prompt: A book you wish had ended differently.

10/18 WED 6:30-7:30 BMPL

November prompt: a book published in 2023.

11/15 WED 6:30-7:30 BMPL

ADULTS Continued

Crafternoon - Pulled String Painting

Using acrylic paint and simple string, you'll be able to create a one-of-a-kind painting to adorn your wall! This craft might get a bit messy so please wear appropriate clothing. All supplies are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required.

09/24 SUN 2:00-4:00 BMPL

Crafternoon - Pressed Flower Windchime

We'll use canning lids, flowers and plastic to create a beautiful fall windchime. All supplies are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required.

10/22 SUN 2:00-4:00 BMPL

Crafternoon - Denim Woven Basket

Join us to upcycle denim and other materials into a small decorative basket - perfect for holding office and craft supplies or simply using as home décor! All supplies are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required.

11/26 SUN 2:00-4:00 BMPL



This summer for the All Together Now theme, teens created their own quilt squares, expressing what they love about the library, books, and reading. The squares were combined to create the Library Friendship quilt.

HERITAGE ROOM OF NEBRASKA AUTHORS

136 S. 14th Street



Regular hours:
Monday–Thursday: 12–3 p.m.
Sunday: 2–5 p.m.

NebraskaAuthors.org is a collaborative project of the UNL Center for Digital Research in the Humanities and the Jane Pope Geske Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors. The website includes information on more than 4,000 Nebraska writers, past and present.

The Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors offers a multifaceted reflection of the rich literary culture of our state. We will be glad to assist you with any questions you may have about Nebraska authors.

Lunch at the Library

Carole Levin will discuss her latest book, *The Reign and Life of Queen Elizabeth I: Politics, Culture, and Society*. 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.

10/04 WED 12:10–1:00 BMPL

Ames Readings Series with Joy Castro

Lincoln City Libraries and the Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors invites you to a very special John H. Ames Reading Series event. Award-winning author Joy Castro will join us to read from her two most recent books *One Brilliant Flame* and *Flight Risk*.

10/22 SUN 2:00–3:30 BMPL

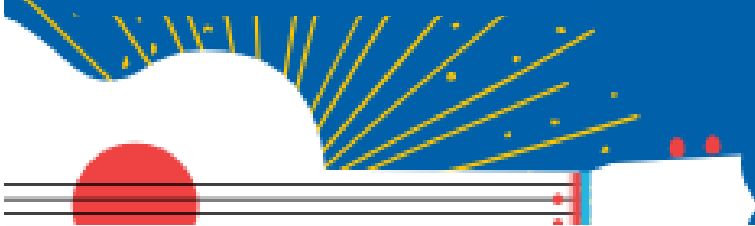
Lunch at the Library

Matt Steinhausen, a photographer and collector of stories of all kinds about Nebraska, will give a program on his book *The Least Interesting Place*. Matt's book is a favorite of native Nebraskans and others interested in our state. 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.

11/01 WED 12:10–1:00 BMPL

POLLEY MUSIC LIBRARY

136 S. 14TH STREET



Polley Music Library includes a circulating collection of music books, printed music, compact discs, digital collections, non-circulating reference materials and music magazines. In addition to these resources, our Polley Music Librarian answers music-related questions and provides other services, such as tours and free programs, and the library loans ukuleles and guitars!

Polley Music Library Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Thursday 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.

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, laptop, sheet music, lyrics, or just come to talk about what you're working on!

09/07	THU	6:00–7:00	BMPL
10/12	THU	6:00–7:00	BMPL
11/09	THU	6:00–7:00	BMPL

Don't forget that Polley Music Library loans guitars and ukuleles! Why not try out a new instrument, complete with some great books for learning?

Synthtember with Aaron Gum

What's an oscillator? What's filter cutoff? Omaha synthesist Aaron Gum will show the basics of subtractive synthesis, how to shape sounds and how to apply these lessons to vintage synths, virtual plug-in instruments, and available apps on your phone. This event is for anyone who is interested in synthesis, sound design, or curious about electronic musical instruments, how they work, and how to program your own sounds with them.

09/10 SUN 2:00–3:00 BMPL

Vocal Loops and Beatboxing with Dream Journal

Lincoln's own Dream Journal (J. Bockoven) will be performing prewritten songs and making improvised Live Loops with vocals on a Boss RC 505. There will be a section explaining how this is done and the audience will get a chance to record some loops of their own.

10/14 SAT 2:00–3:00 BMPL

How To Get Your Band Seen: Press Kits, Websites, and Booking!

Mike Semrad (The Bottle Tops, The Riverhawks, Jazz in June, Nebraska Performing Arts Hall of Fame) looks forward to strengthening our younger music community by offering insight on press kits, websites, band management, and beneficial ways to operate in an ever-changing entertainment industry landscape.

11/05 SUN 2:00–3:00 WALT

ADULTS

Bethany BookTalks Weekly Group

Each weekly BookTalks session features a different library staff member sharing their reading, listening and viewing recommendations. Registration is not required, and drop-in attendance is encouraged.

FRIDAYS 10:30-11:30 BETH



Find Bethany's Storytime schedule online.



In June, our very good friend Marlene Cupp and her family and friends gathered at Bethany Branch Library to admire the bench that her daughters, Mary and Amy, gifted to the Libraries in Marlene's honor. Marlene's favorite quote is inscribed on the plaque of the bench, "I cannot live without books." — Thomas Jefferson to John Adams, 1815

Marlene worked at Bethany and Anderson Branches and then continued to serve our community as a valued member of the Board of Trustees of Lincoln City Libraries. Marlene, on behalf of your daughters Mary and Amy, the library customers you helped, the library staff members who worked with you, the library board members with whom you served, and the citizens of Lincoln who have benefitted from your innumerable contributions to Lincoln City Libraries, we thank you!

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

ALL AGES

Bingo!

Are you feeling lucky? Bring the family and your outdoor voice for another rousing round of bingo!

09/17 SUN 6:30-7:30 EIS

Pumpkins in Print

All ages are invited to join the Eiseley Branch Library Pumpkin in Print contest! Decorate a pumpkin like your favorite book character or theme. Decorated pumpkins will be accepted at the Eiseley Branch Library from October 15 through October 22. No carved pumpkins please. Public voting will occur October 23 through October 30. Prizes will be awarded on October 31. Please visit or contact the Eiseley Branch Library for complete entry rules.

10/15-10/30 EIS

ALL AGES Continued

Board Games Galore!

Be bored no more! Spend the afternoon gaming away. We will have a variety of board games available for your amusement.

10/15 SUN 1:00-5:00 EIS

KIDS

Tailgate Storytime

We're kicking off our first storytime with a tailgate party! Put on your favorite Husker gear and join us for a family event. We will have a photo booth and crafts available before our storytime.

09/05 TUE 6:30-7:30 EIS

Heavy Equipment Encounter

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09/07 THU 10:30-11:30 EIS

Reading Education Assistance Dogs - Snickers

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09/11-10/16 MON 6:00-7:00 EIS

Masquerade Party Storytime

Calling all boos and ghouls! Join us for this costumed event. We will have a photo booth and crafts available before our storytime.

10/03 TUE 6:30-7:30 EIS

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10/17 TUE 7:00-7:45 EIS

KIDS Continued

Badges and Books

Come meet some of the officers from your neighborhood Police Department. Learn about how they do their jobs, what it takes to become a police officer, and how to keep safe from crime. There will be a short storytime as well and children can choose a free book.

11/05 SUN 2:00-2:45 EIS

Harvest Celebration Storytime

Join us for a celebration of all the things we're thankful for at the library. We will have a photo booth and crafts available before our storytime.

11/07 TUE 6:30-7:30 EIS

TEENS

Wacky Wednesday

Join us afterschool for a variety of events.

WEDNESDAYS 3:15-4:30 EIS

Create Your Own Cemetary (Cemetary+Terrarium)

Calling all boos and ghouls! Whether you prefer the grave or a crypt, become your own cemetery caretaker.

10/29 SUN 2:00-3:00 EIS

ADULTS

Plant Parenting 101 plus Plant Swap

Learn about the basic care of houseplants. Bring some disease and pest-free plants or cuttings to share and take new ones home.

09/10 SUN 2:00-3:00 EIS

Once Upon a Crime Book Group

Do you love True Crime and local mysteries? Join us for all things criminal the second Tuesday of every month at Eiseley Branch where we will discuss our current crime obsessions. Bring your favorite stories to share and get sentenced to FUN!

Prohibition Ambition

09/12 TUE 6:30-7:45 EIS

Halloween Homicides

10/10 TUE 6:30-7:45 EIS

All in the Family

11/14 TUE 6:30-7:45 EIS

Paint Yourself Spooky

Channel your inner Wednesday by painting a spooky scene!

10/05 THU 6:30-7:30 EIS

ALL AGES

Family Fun Night

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

09/05 TUE 5:30-7:00 GERE

Family Fun Night: Reptile Awareness

Meet live snakes and learn about Nebraska's native reptile species from Nebraska Game and Parks staff. There will be crafts and activities for the whole family, including the chance to read to a reptile.

10/03 TUE 5:30-7:00 GERE

The Super Mario Bros. Movie Screening

Join us Monday afternoon for a showing of The Super Mario Bros. movie. You are welcome to bring a blanket or pillow to sit on. Popcorn and lemonade will be provided. The doors will open at 1:15 and the movie will start at 1:30.

10/16 MON 1:15-3:00 GERE

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11/07 TUE 5:30-7:00 GERE

KIDS

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09/05 TUE 10:45-12:00 GERE

Reading Education Assistance Dogs - Wrench

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09/11-10/16 MON 6:00-7:30 GERE

KIDS Continued

Reading Education Assistance Dogs - Rainy the Cat

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09/12-10/17 TUE 6:30-7:30 GERE

Reading Education Assistance Dogs - Sooky

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09/13-10/18 WED 6:30-7:30 GERE

Reptile Art for K-12

Draw, paint, or sculpt an entry for the 2023 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.

10/17 TUE 1:00-3:00 GERE

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10/18 WED 10:00-11:00 GERE

TEENS

Random Fandom Club

Calling all fans! 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.

09/11 MON 6:00-7:00 GERE

10/09 MON 6:00-7:00 GERE

11/13 MON 6:00-7:00 GERE

ADULTS

Swap Meet

Trade, exchange or take items at no charge, a swap meet is a great way to get rid of some items you no longer need. Tables will be set up so available items can be displayed. At the end of the hour all left over items must be removed from the library property.

09/16 SAT 2:30-3:30 GERE

Playhouse Post-Show Discussion - Little Shop of Horrors

Join our friends from the Lincoln Community Playhouse for a post-show discussion of the main stage production. Please note: Show tickets are not included with this program and must be purchased separately through the Lincoln Community Playhouse.

09/24 SUN 4:00-6:00 GERE

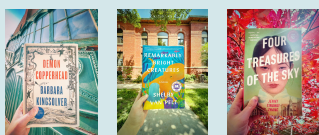
Playhouse Post-Show Discussion - Over the River and Through the Woods

Join our friends from the Lincoln Community Playhouse for a post-show discussion of the main stage production. Please note: Show tickets are not included with this program and must be purchased separately through the Lincoln Community Playhouse.

10/22 SUN 4:00-6:00 GERE



Teen Advisory Boards - Your chance to advise library staff about materials, programs and services you would like to see in the library.



The One Book One Lincoln winner is announced on Labor Day!

Did you read the Top Three Selections?

Stay tuned for information about programs planned for the winning title!

KIDS

Heavy Equipment Encounter

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09/06 WED 10:30–11:30 SOUTH

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10/21 SAT 10:30–11:30 SOUTH

ADULTS

Crafternoon - Origami

Learn how to fold a crane, a lotus flower, and a simple box. All supplies are provided. Registration is required.

09/17 SUN 2:00–3:30 SOUTH

Crafternoon - Make Your Own Bookmarks

Create two bookmarks! One bookmark will be made with ribbon and a button and require a little sewing. The other one will be made of wood and allow you to explore your painting/drawing skills. All supplies are provided. Registration is required.

10/15 SUN 2:00–3:30 SOUTH

Crafternoon - Watercolor Painting

Create a simple winter scene using watercolor paints. Watercolor paint can stain so please wear old clothes. All supplies are provided. Registration is required.

11/19 SUN 2:00–3:30 SOUTH

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

ALL AGES

Bluey Family Night

For real life, your family can join the Heeler family as we play some of Bluey's favorite games and enjoy crafts too! Wackadoo!

09/14 THU 5:30–7:30 WALT

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!

10/01 SUN 4:00–5:30 WALT

ALL AGES Continued

Literary Pumpkin Parade

Join the literary pumpkin parade at Walt Branch. 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. Please visit or contact Walt Branch Library for complete entry rules.

10/01–10/22 WALT

Family Fun Night

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

10/12 THU 5:30–7:00 WALT

11/09 THU 5:30–7:00 WALT

Family Trivia Night: Hispanic Heritage Edition!

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at the Walt Library! Impress your friends and learn a few new facts at this family friendly 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 teams welcome, but space is limited.

10/15 SUN 6:00–7:30 WALT

Frankentoys!

Muster your creativity and craftiness to assemble a one-of-a-kind creation from recycled parts. We will provide the laboratory of supplies and parts for you to engineer your very own lovable mutant. Some cutting and hand-sewing will be required.

10/29 SUN 2:00–4:00 WALT

Puzzle Fest

How about a room full of puzzles to wind down the holiday weekend? Puzzles for all ages and a wide range of complexities will be available. Bring a friend or make a new one at Puzzle Fest!

11/25 SAT 2:00–6:00 WALT

11/26 SUN 12:00–7:00 WALT

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09/05 TUE 2:00–3:00 WALT

KIDS Continued

Reading Education Assistance Dogs - Xena

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09/11–10/16 MON 6:00–7:30 WALT

Reading Education Assistance Dogs - Walter

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09/13–10/18 WED 6:00–7:30 WALT

Tiempo de cuentos

Niños y familias, join us for storytime in Spanish. Learn Spanish words from stories and songs. Stay for a craft to celebrate the start of Hispanic Heritage Month.

09/30 SAT 10:30–11:00 WALT

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11/04 SAT 2:00–2:45 WALT

TEENS

Button Maker Lab

Buttons for your backpack! Design your own button using the library's button maker to create one-of-a-kind buttons for yourself or friends. All supplies are provided.

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

Manga/Anime Club

We'll read, watch and discuss manga and anime on the second Monday of the month. Register online or by calling 402-441-4460.

09/11 MON 6:00-7:30 WALT

10/09 MON 6:00-7:30 WALT

11/13 MON 6:00-7:30 WALT

Teen 3D Printer Training

Learn how to use a 3D printer and software! Come be trained on Walt's Lulzbot mini 3D printer and 3D design software like AutoCAD Fusion 360 and Tinkercad. Registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4460.

09/16 SAT 1:00-3:00 WALT

Dice Guild

Come one and all! Players of all levels! A guild for adventurers, mystery-seekers and pathfinders of imagination! Featuring: Dungeons and Dragons. We gather on the last Wednesday of the month.

09/27 WED 5:30-7:30 WALT

10/25 WED 5:30-7:30 WALT

11/29 WED 5:30-7:30 WALT

ADULTS

The Theology of Louise Penny

Attention fans of Louise Penny! We invite you to join as we travel to Three Pines through a presentation about the theology of this series presented by Pastor Jen Davidson.

09/07 THU 6:30-7:30 WALT

Circle of Friends

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

09/12 TUE 1:00-2:30 WALT

09/26 TUE 1:00-2:30 WALT

10/10 TUE 1:00-2:30 WALT

10/24 TUE 1:00-2:30 WALT

11/14 TUE 1:00-2:30 WALT

11/28 TUE 1:00-2:30 WALT

ADULTS

Dog Obedience Training

Do you have a furry family member that could use a little work on their manners? Join us for a three-part obedience class provided by Greater Lincoln Obedience Club. Space is limited. Registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4460. **This training will take place at Densmore Park next to Walt Branch Library.**

Session one will include: absolutely necessary behaviors, come when called, loose lead walking, leave it, and answering behavior questions.

09/14 THU 6:30-7:30 WALT

Session two will include: practice previous behaviors, sit, down, stay, and coming away from distractions.

09/21 THU 6:30-7:30 WALT

Session three will include: practice previous behaviors, learn some tricks.

09/28 THU 6:30-7:30 WALT

Crafternoon - Macramé

Macramé is back with a modern twist. Learn the basic knots to create beautiful macramé projects. Materials to make a plant hanger or bookmark will be provided. Registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4460.

09/17 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

Memory Café

Memory Café is a welcoming place for those experiencing mild memory loss. Have fun, reminisce and enjoy a variety of activities with a focus on staying engaged and socially connected. No cafe is complete without snacks. Refreshments will be provided! Registration is appreciated online or by calling 402-441-4461, but walk-ins are welcome.

09/19 TUE 1:00-2:30 WALT

10/17 TUE 1:00-2:30 WALT

11/21 TUE 1:00-2:30 WALT

B.Y.O.B(ook) Club

This is not your traditional book club! Join us with a title from your own reading life that follows the monthly discussion prompt and add to your own to-be read list, with recommendations from the group.

September prompt: Your favorite book with a rural setting.

09/21 THU 11:30-12:30 WALT

October prompt: A book you wish had ended differently.

10/19 THU 11:30-12:30 WALT

November prompt: A book published in 2023.

11/16 THU 11:30-12:30 WALT

ADULTS

Crafternoon - Paint Pouring

Pour your heart out! Come learn the techniques needed to create your own masterpiece. Space is limited. Registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4461.

10/08 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

How To Get Your Band Seen: Press Kits, Websites, and Booking!

Mike Semrad (The Bottle Tops, The Riverhawks, Jazz in June, Nebraska Performing Arts Hall of Fame) looks forward to strengthening our younger music community by offering insight on press kits, websites, band management, and beneficial ways to operate in an ever-changing entertainment industry landscape.

11/05 SUN 2:00-3:00 WALT

Crafternoon - Woodland Creature Wall Hanging

Construct a wooden wall hanging using natural elements and add adorable owls, foxes or any other woodland creature that might be calling to you. Space is limited. Register online or call 402-441-4460 to reserve your spot!

11/12 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

Introduction to the Cricut

Curious about the Cricut? Join us for an introduction to these crafty cutting machines and become approved to use the library machine. Space is limited. Register online or by calling 402-441-4461. Must be 19+ or attend with a guardian.

11/15 WED 5:30-7:00 WALT

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

KIDS

The Pigeon Flies In!

The cranky, stubborn Pigeon has won the hearts of children and adults alike in his many adventures since his debut in 2003 in *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus*. Caldecott and Emmy award-winning author Mo Willems created the iconic avian and now you can meet the Pigeon at Lincoln City Libraries. Shake a wing or a tail feather. Enjoy stories, art, and games all about the Pigeon.

10/19 THU 10:30-11:30 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 and Tuesday: 4–8 PM
Wednesday and Thursday: 10 AM–6 PM
Friday, Saturday and Sunday: 1–6 PM



Join Read Aloud Lincoln at these parks and places in the Lincoln area for storytimes — featuring stories, movement, music and more. All sessions are 30 minutes. Storytimes are geared toward children ages 5 and under, but all ages are welcome. Look for the LNKLibraries feather flag!

Around Town Storytime: Sunken Gardens

Let's soak up the last bits of summer as we read, sing, dance, and enjoy Sunken Gardens at storytime. This outdoor storytime will take place near the gazebo so feel free to bring a blanket or cushion to sit on. Enter the garden and look for the Lincoln City Libraries feather flag. Around Town Storytimes are geared toward children ages 5 and under but all ages are welcome.

09/08 FRI 10:30–11:00

Around Town Storytime: Picnic Hill Orchard

Join us at Picnic Hill Orchard (10500 Yankee Hill Road) for an apple-themed storytime with movement, music, and more. Storytime will be held inside the orchard, and admission is free. Around Town Storytimes are geared toward childrens ages 5 and under, but all ages are welcome.

10/13 FRI 10:30–11:00

Around Town Storytime: Lincoln Children's Museum

Join us at the Lincoln Children's Museum (LCM) for a play-themed storytime with movement, music, and more! Those who attend will be granted free admission to LCM following storytime - make sure to mention to the front desk staff that you're attending storytime! Around Town Storytimes are geared toward children ages 5 and under but all ages are welcome!

11/10 FRI 10:30–11:00



Explore all of our
Storytimes at
LincolnLibraries.org!



"Reading and literacy can happen anywhere! You don't have to have a perfect or quiet environment for reading—you can read at the mall, the park, the farmers market, an apple orchard — wherever!"

— Ali B.

Read Aloud Lincoln Advocate



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

The team brings books, movies, audiobooks, video games and more to a location near you! Computers with Internet access are also available for on-board use.

The Bookmobile goes to:

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

The Bookmobile serves:

- Youth, with emphasis on children at risk
- Seniors
- Everyone!

HOLIDAYS CLOSINGS

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

Sunday, September 3, 2023
Monday, September 4, 2023

VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY

Friday, November 10
Saturday, November 11

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Thursday, November 23, 2023
Friday, November 24, 2023