

Off the Shelf

EVENT CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2024

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

Library Lovers' Month

Celebrate Library Lovers' Month by exploring some of our resources and events.

Grab a Movie for Date Night

You can stream or download thousands of movies to make your date night indoors perfect by using your library card to access **Hoopla** and **Kanopy**. You can also swing by Lawson McGhee's **Sights & Sounds** collection to check out a physical copy of your favorite movie to take home.



Stay Home and Read a Book Ball

Join Friends of the Library for the 4th Annual Stay Home and Read a Book Ball on **Saturday, February 17!** Have a ball reading a book at home and help raise funds for the Children's Festival of Reading by donating what you may have spent on a night out. Visit knoxfriends.org to RSVP or donate!



Fall in Love with Learning using Udemy

Udemy is an online learning platform for users who want to improve work-related skills or further develop a personal interest. Users can search through more than 9,000 continuously updated, on-demand video courses across 75 categories in business, technology, design, and more. All courses are taught by world-class instructors and offer a tailor-made learning experience. Access on the library's website under 'Research & Learn' and 'Learning & Career'.



Black History Month

February is Black History Month! If you'd like to learn about the history of African American religious life and culture between 1829 and 1922 check out the **African American Historical Series Collection**. Plus, check out the historical archive on **Newsbank** or **Ancestry.com Library Edition** to learn more about family history with primary sources! Access under 'Online Collections' on the library's website.



Read City: Daring Deeds — We Love a Challenge!

Read City has launched the first challenge of 2024: Daring Deeds! From now until **April 1**, tackle missions like reading, listening, drawing, and exploring. Every time you 'level up', you can take a trip to the 'loot box' at your local library location and collect a prize. Plus, unlock a bonus prize for leveling up five times, with a total high score of 25 completed missions. Pick up a gameboard to get started!



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	Thurs.	6:30
<i>First Thurs. of each month</i>		

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!

Cookbook Club		
Feb 3	Norwood	11:00 AM
Farragut Book Club		
Feb 5	Farragut	6:00 PM
Halls Literary Social Hour		
Feb 6	Halls	1:00 PM
All Over the Page		
Feb 12	Lawson McGhee	6:30 PM
Pop Culture Book Club		
Feb 20	Bearden	6:00 PM
Evening Reads		
Feb 26	Bearden	6:00 PM



On the Road with Ask a Librarian

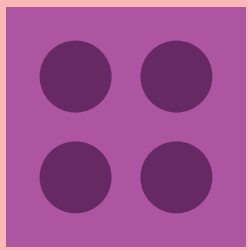
Looking for help navigating the library's website or catalog? Have a new tablet or device and want to take advantage of our free electronic resources? Reference Librarians are here to help!

3:00-5:00

FEBRUARY 14
BEARDEN

FEBRUARY 21
POWELL

FEBRUARY 28
HOWARD PINKSTON



LEGO® Clubs

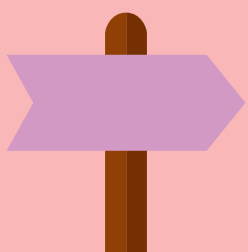
Look for building clubs at 5 library locations! (Bearden, Burlington, Howard Pinkston, Halls, and Karns). Search our online calendar for a time and location that suits your family.

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



Gale Presents: Udemy

Your library card can get you access to educational quizzes, exercises, and videos! Just visit the Gale Presents: Udemy 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

THUR FEB 1 **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.
Feb. 2 Halls 4:00 PM

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.

Feb. 3	Karns	Knox Kindermusik	11:00 AM
Feb. 10	South Knox	Miss Lynn	11:00 AM
Feb. 17	Carter	Ajeet Khalsa	11:00 AM
Feb. 24	Powell	Miss Lynn	11:00 AM



FEB 5-9 **Valentine's for the Community**
NORWOOD | ALL DAY
Stop by to make Valentine's Day cards to be given out to patrons the following week of February 12th.

TUES FEB 6 **Full STEAM Ahead: Valentine Science**
HALLS | 11:00 AM
Ages 3-5 | Activities and opportunities to explore STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) principles.

THUR FEB 8 **STEAM: Computer Coding for Beginners**
POWELL | 6:00 PM
Grades K-8 | Learn the principles of computer coding with hands-on activities and create a coding craft to take home.

ADULTS

THUR FEB 1 **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.

SUN FEB 4 **Music on the Mezzanine**
LAWSON MCGHEE | 2:00 PM
Taber Gable takes our series in a new direction with this exploration of Knoxville's diverse music scene.
This series is made possible by an Arts Build Communities grant from Arts & Culture Alliance and Tennessee Arts Commission.

MON FEB 5 **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.

THUR FEB 8 **Paper Art**
BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM
Join us in making crafts like quilling, jewelry-making, book folding, baskets.



THUR FEB 8 **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!

THUR FEB 8 **Travel Smart Series: Author Kristen Combs**
NORWOOD | 6:00 PM
Join local author Kristen Combs to discuss her book, *100 Things to Do in Knoxville Before You Die*.

MON FEB 12 **Museum Mondays: Art Robots**
HALLS | 3:00 PM
Grades K-3 | The Children's Museum of Oak Ridge will be presenting Art Robots.

MON FEB 12 **Bubble Painting**
SEQUOYAH | 6:00 PM
Paint with bubbles to create a unique piece of art.

Special Storytimes
Join us for these unique storytime events. Look for weekly storytimes on the front page or online.
Feb. 13 Murphy Symphony Orchestra 11:00 AM



TUES FEB 13 **Slime Science: Valenslime**
HALLS | 3:00 PM
Ages 5-12 | Come join us for making Valentine's-themed slime that you can take home!



TUES FEB 13 **Decorating Clay Hearts**
HOWARD PINKSTON | 4:00 PM
Ages 4+ | Decorate clay hearts with beads, sequins, glitter - get creative and give one to a loved one for Valentine's Day!

THUR FEB 15 **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.



THUR FEB 15 **Heart-Shaped Bird Feeders**
HALLS | 5:00 PM
Mix and make a heart-shaped hanging bird feeder!

TUES FEB 20 **Painting Rock Animals**
HOWARD PINKSTON | 6:00 PM
Ages 7+ | Choose multiple rocks to paint and create your own cool animal!

TUES FEB 20 **Family Book Character Bingo**
KARNs | 6:00 PM
B-I-N-G-O! Gather as a team or play solo at our book bingo night. The prizes are, you guessed it, B-O-O-K-S!

THUR FEB 22 **Muse @ the Library**
BEARDEN | 6:00 PM
Collaborate with other kids to complete a set of engineering challenges.



THUR FEB 22 **Winter Stuffy Sleepover**
POWELL | 6:30 PM
Brrrrr! Put on your warmest pajamas and bring your snuggliest stuffed friend and let them spend the night in the library! Stuffies will be dropped off on Thursday night after a cozy storytime and they may be picked up on Saturday along with a scrapbook of all their winter adventures!

TUES FEB 27 **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.



FRI FEB 9 **Bookish Rose Craft**
BEARDEN | 3:00 PM
Surprise a loved one with your very own handcrafted rose bouquet made from recycled book pages.



THUR FEB 15 **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.

SAT FEB 17 **Ask A Master Gardener**
NORWOOD | 10:00 AM
Stop by and learn about gardening with a Knox County Master Gardener!

SAT FEB 17 **WORKSHOP: Genealogy and Maps - Where They Intersect**
EAST TN HISTORY CENTER | 1:00 PM
Participants will learn about various maps and primary sources for use in researching their family history.

SUN FEB 18 **Daytime Docs Film Series - Toni Morrison: The Pieces I Am**
LAWSON MCGHEE | 1:30 PM
Daytime Docs Film Series is a monthly film series featuring diverse perspectives and life experiences. In honor of Black History Month and Toni Morrison's birthday, we will be viewing and discussing *Toni Morrison: The Pieces I Am* (2019).

SUN FEB 25 **Going to Mars: The Nikki Giovanni Project Premiere**
CENTRAL CINEMA | 3:30 PM
The local premiere of the critically-acclaimed 2023 documentary on Knoxville native and poet Nikki Giovanni that includes historic footage from the Tennessee Archive of Moving Image and Sound (TAMIS).

TUES FEB 27 **Brush Hour: Be Your Self with Beauford Delaney**
KARNs | 6:00 PM
Brush Hour is a no skills necessary painting class for teens and adults. In February we will explore abstract self portraits inspired by Knoxville born artist, Beauford Delaney.

TEENS



SAT FEB 10 **Teens Create More in '24 Writing Workshop**
FARRAGUT | 10:30 AM
Participate in a writing workshop, led by local author Meghan Palmer! Learn, create, and eat pizza together!

TUES FEB 13 **Teen Book Club**
HALLS | 5:00 PM
Come join us for an hour of talking about your favorite reads.

SAT FEB 24 **Teen Advisory Board Meeting**
BEARDEN | 1:00 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!

TUES FEB 27 **K-Pop Party!**
HALLS | 6:00 PM
Hang out with other fans while crafting bias bracelets and decorating photocard toppers!