

Off the Shelf

EVENT CALENDAR

MARCH 2023



Laura Cansler
(1846-1926) first public school teacher in Knoxville



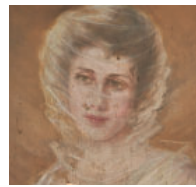
Frances Hodgson Burnett
(1849-1924), Author of *The Secret Garden* and *Little Lord Fauntleroy*



Lizzie Crozier French
(1851-1926) Social reformer, Suffragist, Advocate for prison rights



Mary Boyce Temple
(1856-1929) Preserved Blount Mansion, Co-founded League of Women Voters



Adelia Armstrong Lutz
(1859-1931) Artist, Founder of the Nicolson Art League



Anne Armstrong
(1872-1958) Influential writer of *The Seas of God* (1915) and *This Day and Time* (1930)



Anne M. Davis
(1875-1957) Mother of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park; 3rd woman to serve in TN legislature



Bertha Walburn Clark
(1882-1972) Founder and first conductor of the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra



Mary Utopia Rothrock
(1890-1976) First chief librarian of the free Lawson McGhee Library



Ethel Beck
(1897-1970) Influential member of the Black community. Established Home for Colored Orphans (1919)

HISTORY-MAKING WOMEN OF KNOXVILLE

During Women's History Month, we're paying homage to our influential sisters born in the 19th century. To learn more about these incredible trailblazers, join us for an in-person **walking tour** Sunday, March 12 ("Walking with Women Who Made History", top right), pick up a **Literary Walking Guide** at Lawson McGhee Library, or explore images and artifacts in our **historical digital collection**.

HISTORY & GENEALOGY

SUNDAY
MAR 12

Walking with Women Who Made History

LAWSON MCGHEE | 2:00-4:00 PM
Registration required. | Walk in the footsteps of Knoxville's history-making women with historian and storyteller, Laura Still. Meet Anne Armstrong, Frances Hodgson Burnett, Mary Boyce Temple, Lizzie Crozier French and many others. Knox County Public Library card required.

SATURDAY
MAR 25

Genealogy Workshop: Finding Her Story through Genealogy

EAST TN HISTORY CENTER | 1:00-3:00 PM

This workshop will explore resources for researching, documenting, and interpreting women's stories, as well as hints on how to overcome challenges inherent to women's history. *Instructor: Lisa Norwood Oakley, Vice President/Curator of Education, East Tennessee Historical Society*

The Library's Calvin M. McClung Digital Collection makes it easy and fun to research and view compelling digital images and artifacts from our East Tennessee history, including those documenting the rich and varied experiences, accomplishments, and legacies of women. Explore now at cmdc.knoxlib.org

READ CITY



As part of Read City's **Find Your Voice** reading challenge, now through April 8, special programs will focus on music and self-expression. Find out more or join at www.knoxcountylibrary.org/readcity

THURSDAY
MAR 09
Symphony Storytimes
KARNS | 10:30 AM
This program of the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra combines children's books with classical selections, sound effects, and hands-on learning for toddlers, preschoolers, and young students.

THURSDAY
MAR 09
Music Explorers Club
BEARDEN | 4:00 PM
Join Laura each month for a music-centered story hour that will include stories, games, making music, and crafts.

MAR
TUESDAY
14
Making Music: Rain Sticks
POWELL | 6:00 PM
Registration required. | Come learn how to create your own rain stick! This program will teach children how to make rain sticks out of materials provided. Kids, along with parents/caregivers, will also have a chance to decorate their new rain sticks!

WEDNESDAY
MAR 15
Cigar Box Guitars
NORWOOD | 2:00 PM
Grades K-5 | We will make our instruments together while listening and playing along to samples of traditional Appalachian music. All supplies provided.

THURSDAY
MAR 23
Voices Display
SOUTH KNOXVILLE | 10:00-8:00
South Knoxville Branch is listening! Come help us to decorate our circulation desk and tell us what you love about our library.

LET'S PARTY

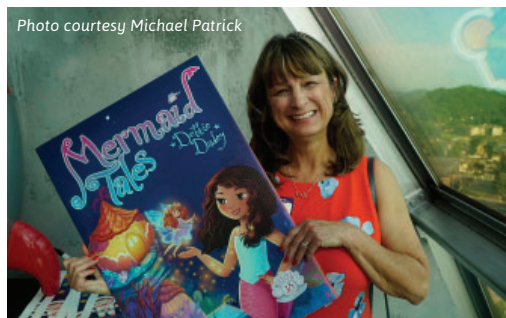


THURSDAY
MAR 02
Celebrate Seuss with the Mayor
CEDAR BLUFF | 10:30 AM
Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with stories, crafts, and Mayor Jacobs!

THURSDAY
MAR 02
Dr. Seuss Birthday Party
HALLS | 11:00 AM
Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with stories, crafts, snacks, and guest Kim Hansard from STAR 102.1.

THURSDAY
MAR 02
Let's Celebrate Reading with the Cat in the Hat!
KARNS | 4:00 PM
Celebrate Read Across America Day with the beloved character Cat in the Hat with stories, crafts, and a snack.

TUESDAY
MAR 14
Pi Party
SOUTH KNOXVILLE | 4:00 PM
March 14 (3/14) is Pi Day! Come celebrate pi by visiting our mathtivity station for fun with numbers.



WEDNESDAY
MAR 29
Mermaids & Monsters Party with author Debbie Dadey
HALLS | 3:30 PM
Come meet author Debbie Dadey, who writes your favorite book series' *Mermaid Tales* and *The Bailey School Kids!* Dress as a mermaid or monster and create some fun crafts with us.

BOOKS & AUTHORS



TUESDAY
MAR 07
Halls Literary Social Hour
HALLS | 1:00 PM
Book lovers, join us to talk about books. Share your favorites and get recommendations from others.

MONDAY
MAR 13
All Over the Page
The School for Good Mothers
LAWSON MCGHEE | 6:30 PM
The School for Good Mothers by Jessamine Chan | Facilitated by Nicole Barajas. Because of one moment of poor judgement, the government will now determine if Frida is a candidate for a Big Brother-like institution that measures a mother's devotion.

THURSDAY
MAR 16
Cedar Bluff Book Circle
CEDAR BLUFF | 1:00 PM
A book club for people to discuss what they are reading and to make recommendations to fellow readers.

TUESDAY
MAR 28
Book It!
HOWARD PINKSTON | 6:00 PM
Read a book recently you would like to share with others? Join us for an informal discussion of books you love. Snacks provided.

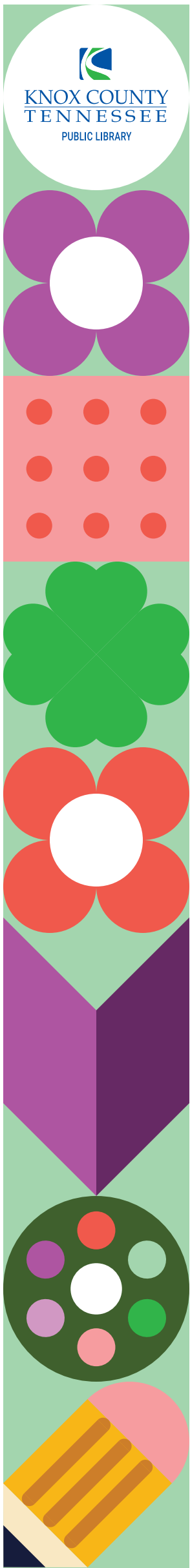
MONDAY
MAR 20
Evening Reads
BEARDEN | 6:00 PM
1Q84 by Haruki Murakami | A club perfect for busy adults trying to catch up on the best in literature and unable to attend daytime book discussions.

Friends of the Library Used Book Sales
Proceeds benefit Knox County Public Library.

March 11 Powell Branch 10:00-5:00
March 23-25 Spring Sale* 10:00-5:00**

*Spring Used Book Sale at Central United Methodist Church. **March 23 is Members' Only Day, 3:00-7:00

OUR FULL EVENT CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE.



CHILDREN & FAMILY

Special Storytimes

Join us for these once-a-month storytimes. Look for 30+ regular weekly storytimes online.

March 2	Powell	Pajamarama	6:30 PM
March 18	Norwood	Outdoor	11:00 AM
March 24	Farragut	Once Upon	10:30 AM
March 27	Farragut	Family Pajama	6:00 PM

- MONDAY**
MAR 02
Family Game Night
BURLINGTON | 5:30-7:30 PM
We've got something for everyone: board games, card games, PS4, and Wii games. Bring a favorite game from home to play with old friends or learn something fresh and make new acquaintances. Each month we teach a new game. March: Clue!
- FRIDAY**
MAR 03
Crafternoons
HALLS | 4:00 PM
Ages 3 & up | Come make a craft chosen by library staff. All materials provided.
- MONDAY**
MAR 06
After School Story Hour: Ella the Elegant Elephant
FARRAGUT | 3:30 PM
Ages 4-8 | At our special after school story hour we'll read about Ella then enjoy a snack and craft.
- THURSDAY**
MAR 16
The Puzzle Hour
BURLINGTON | 5:00 PM
Love puzzles? Then join our new puzzle club! Puzzling can help relieve stress and anxiety. For those who seek a challenge, we also have Scramble Squares. Whether you are 3 or 103, we have a variety of puzzles for every age and skill level. Come play!
- THURSDAY**
MAR 16
World of Folktales: Australia
BEARDEN | 6:00 PM
Globe trotters, prepare for an adventure! Jessica will share Australian Aboriginal stories as retold by James Vance Marshall in his *Stories from the Billabong*. Then, learn the technique of Aboriginal dot art and create your own.
- FRIDAY**
MAR 17
Crafternoons
CEDAR BLUFF | 3:30 PM
This program is a safe place for kids to gather, work on social and motor skills, and just have fun. Crafts can be done onsite or taken home.
- FRIDAY**
MAR 17
Crafternoons
HALLS | 4:00 PM
Ages 3 & up | Come make a craft chosen by library staff. All materials provided.
- FRIDAY**
MAR 17
Saint Patrick's Day Bingo
NORWOOD | 4:00 PM
All ages, play a few rounds of Saint Patrick's Day Bingo. Participants will have a chance to win a lucky prize.
- THURSDAY**
MAR 23
Watercolor Kids
BEARDEN | 4:30 PM
Each month Jessica will lead young artists (ages 6-12) through a new watercolor technique, looking at examples in nature and children's literature.

TEENS



Students, here's your chance to meet face-to-face with representatives from area colleges and universities, all in one place! Ask all the questions you want, from academics to campus life, or just pick up general information. Refreshments will be provided. Check online for attending colleges.

FULL STEAM AHEAD

LEGO® & Mega Bloks® Clubs

Look for building clubs at 7 library locations! (Bearden, Burlington, Farragut, Halls, Howard Pinkston, and Karns). Search "LEGO" in our online calendar for a time and location that suits your family. www.knoxcountylibrary.org/events

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

- TUESDAY**
MAR 07
Center of Gravity
HALLS | 11:00 AM
Registration Required. | Book sharing, hands-on experiments and activities, and opportunities for preschoolers, ages 3-5, to explore STEAM principles.
- THURSDAY**
MAR 09
STEM Structures with The Muse
HALLS | 2:00 PM
Students grades K-4 will attempt several building challenges using simple materials like sticks, cubes, and cups and will collaborate with a small group to create a solution.
- TUESDAY**
MAR 07
Kids Garden
SOUTH KNOXVILLE | 4:00 PM
Kids Garden will give children the opportunity to decorate their very own biodegradable paper pot and start some seeds for the garden this year.
- MAR 07**
MAR 23
MAR 28
Build a Leprechaun Trap
POWELL | 6:00 PM
Registration required. | This program will encourage K-8 children to use engineering concepts, critical thinking, and their own creativity to create a trap from various supplied items that can capture a leprechaun!
- MONDAY**
MAR 13
Recycled Newspaper Kites
KARNS | 11:00 AM
Join us for some high-flying speculative STEM-based fun! We will build and decorate kites and then try to fly them outside (weather permitting). Supplies provided. Ideal for older children and preteens.
- TUESDAY**
MAR 14
Fantastic Flight
CARTER | 6:00 PM
Take flight! Come learn how to make your own paper flier or show off what you can already do. All "pilots" are welcome no matter what the skill level.
- MONDAY**
MAR 27
To the Moon and Beyond
Adventures in Astronomy
NORWOOD | 6:00-8:00
Presented by the Smoky Mountain Astronomical Society, we will cover telescopes, stars and constellations, and moon phases, as well as highlights of the Apollo moon missions and the Artemis missions. This program is designed for elementary age children and teens and their families.
- TUESDAY**
MAR 28
How Plants Grow
KARNS | 4:00 PM
How does a garden grow? One seed at a time! Join us as we learn how seeds turn into sprouts, and how plants fuel our world. Attendees will get their own tiny seed to plant and take home to grow. Sign ups are required. Parents must attend with children.

- MONDAY**
MAR 13
An Evening with Matisse
NORWOOD | 6:00 PM
Registration required. | We will paint our own versions of Henri Matisse's *The Goldfish* (1912)! Materials provided.
- MONDAY**
MAR 13
Hole Punch Art
HALLS | 6:00 PM
Registration required. | Recreate classic works of art using a hole punch and lot of colorful paper.
- TUESDAY**
MAR 14
Movie Trivia Night
HALLS | 4:00 PM
Come join us and test your knowledge against other movie lovers at our Movie Trivia Night. All ages welcome!

Adulting: Home Repairs & Cleaning
March 14 Karns Branch 5:00 PM

Adulting: Create a Resume & Cover Letter
March 20 Halls Branch 6:00 PM

ADULTS

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!

March 6	Powell	11-1
March 17	Bearden	12-2
March 22	Howard Pinkston	12-2

- ALL MONTH**
MAR
Recipes to Take Home
HOWARD PINKSTON
Need some help invigorating your menu planning? Take home a recipe in a variety of categories and learn about the library's great cookbook collection.
- SATURDAY**
MAR 04
Master Gardeners
Don't Go Flat Broke!
CEDAR BLUFF | 1:30 PM
Master Gardeners Sheila McNeely and Ray Wenning will discuss which flowers the beneficial insects like best and how you can start them from seed yourself without spending a lot of money.
- MONDAY**
MAR 06
Lap Craft Club
FARRAGUT | 6:00 PM
Join us for a night of casual crafting, any craft you can do on your lap! Bring your own supplies. Books will be displayed and snacks will be provided.
- THURSDAY**
MAR 09
Beaded Jewelry Making
BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM
Registration required. | Ages 14 & up Life-long crafter Susan Bernard will demonstrate how to make a beaded chevron necklace that you can wear home. All materials provided.
- THURSDAY**
MAR 09
Garden Talk
NORWOOD | 6:00 PM
Beginners and experienced gardeners alike are invited to discuss planning and upkeeping their gardens for the coming season.
- TUESDAY**
MAR 14
Don't Get Scammed!
Elder Fraud & Money Mule Awareness
KARNS | 1:00 PM
Join us for a talk led by a special agent from the local office of the FBI about elder fraud and abuse, and how you can help prevent yourself or loved ones from being scammed.
- TUESDAY**
MAR 14
Mastering Medicare
CEDAR BLUFF | 1:00 PM
Gain an in-depth knowledge of Medicare options including when to enroll, the differences between Medicare supplement and Medicare advantage plans, prescription drug coverage, and more.
- WEDNESDAY**
MAR 15
TAMIS at 18
EAST TN HISTORY CENTER | 12:00
Join TAMIS archivists as they explore the history of the audio-visual division of the Calvin M. McClung Historical Collection. With audience favorite films and recently discovered footage, we explore the past, present and future of this unique institution.
- THURSDAY**
MAR 16
Monthly Cross-Stitch
NORWOOD | 6:00 PM
Beginners are welcome! Each month we will stitch a different design. All supplies provided. Adults & older teens.
- MONDAY**
MAR 20
Crafts for the Uncrafty
Beaded Garden Stakes
CEDAR BLUFF | 6:00 PM
Also known as fairy wands, these vibrant stakes will add color and whimsy to houseplants or gardens.
- TUESDAY**
MAR 21
Gluten-Free Baking
HOWARD PINKSTON | 6:00 PM
Curious about gluten-free baking? Learn the basics, share tips, and browse our gluten-free cookbook collection. Gluten-free bread will be provided.
- TUESDAY**
MAR 21
Spring Watercolors from the Library Garden
KARNS | 6:30 PM
Sketch, explore, and paint the tiny, beloved garden at Karns Branch. Supplies provided, no skill required. Tea and cookies will be served.
- SUNDAY**
MAR 26
Diabetes 101
LAWSON MCGHEE | 2:00 PM
To learn more about protecting yourself and your loved ones from this preventable disease, stop by the Diabetes Information Table to talk about causes and prevention with UT College of Pharmacy graduate students.

Indicates registration is required. Please call the participating location. Registration may be available online.

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