

NEW PROGRAMS & CLASSES AT KPL

THE INSIDER

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PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Library of the Year

LOCATIONS AND HOURS

SOUTHWEST LIBRARY

7979-38th Avenue

Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday
12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

NORTHSIDE LIBRARY

1500-27th Avenue

Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday
12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Closed Sundays
Memorial Day -
Labor Day

SIMMONS LIBRARY

711-59th Place

Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday
Closed

UPTOWN LIBRARY

2419-63rd Street

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sunday
Closed

DISCOVERY BUS

Check our website
for schedules and
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www.mykpl.info

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General Information: 262-564-6100

Youth Services: 262-564-6150

Adult Services: 262-564-6130

Bookmobile: 262-564-6190



In Service to You



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*Director
Kenosha Public Library*

Here at KPL we've spent the last couple of years taking a hard look at the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on our community and aligning our programs and services to help us all get back on track together. As we collectively sigh over low reading proficiency and watch our neighbors struggle with personal finance, the library is taking action.

- + We've increased children's access to books by installing children's book vending machines at the YMCA and the Boys and Girls Club. Just scan your library card and select the book of your choice, then return the book to the same location.
- + We've secured a \$50,000 grant from the FINRA Foundation to offer financial literacy education to our community for two years through the More Than Money program (pg.13) that will not only provide group classes, but a free financial coach to those who want a more personal experience.
- + We're preparing to purchase a new hybrid-powered bookmobile to specifically serve young families and prepare their preschoolers for learning success.
- + Perhaps most exciting of all, we're planning a new 7,700 sq. ft. Children's Library we're calling KPL KIDS @ Uptown. Serving all children from birth through 5th grade, the new library space on 22nd Ave. will combine interactive learning areas with community spaces for after school tutoring and mentoring, nutrition education, and, of course, lots and lots of books. We'll be intentionally focused on sparking kids' natural love of learning and discovery for a lifetime of curiosity. The new space is targeted to open spring 2024.

At KPL, everything we do is in service to you- our community. As you leaf through this new program calendar, I hope you find a program that sparks your interest. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Barbara Brattin

Kids Programs



CLASSES FOR BABIES, TODDLERS AND PRESCHOOLERS (ADULT ATTENDANCE REQUIRED)

WHEN REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, CALL YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES AT (262) 564-6150.

BABY STORYTIME

Baby storytime is for infants (0-12 months) who are not yet walking and their caregivers. Join us for 15 minutes of books, songs, and rhymes, followed by 15 minutes of interactive play.

Mondays: January 23 - May 8
10:30-11:00 AM
Southwest Library

Tuesdays: January 17 - May 9
10:30-11:00 AM
Northside Library

BABY BUDDIES PLAYTIME

Join us after Baby Storytime for extended play and peer socialization - great for babies and grown-ups alike!

Mondays: January 23 - May 8
11:00-11:30 AM
Southwest Library

Tuesdays: January 17 - May 9
11:00-11:30 AM
Northside Library

PARENTS: WE'VE GOT CLASSES JUST FOR YOU!

See *Growing KPL Kids* on page 13.



TODDLER STORYTIME

Toddler storytime is for walking one and two-year-old children and their caregivers. Early listening and literacy skills are developed during 20 minutes of books, fingerplays, and songs.

Mondays: January 23 - May 8
9:30-10:00 AM
Southwest Library

Tuesdays: January 17 - May 9
9:30-10:00 AM
Northside Library

Fridays: January 20 - May 12
10:30-11:00 AM
Northside Library

NO NAPTIME HULLABALOO



This active storytime is geared towards toddlers and preschoolers who would rather dance than nap. There will be stories, songs, rhymes, and of course, dancing!

Wednesdays: January 18 - May 10
2:00-2:30 PM
Southwest Library

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Preschool Storytime is designed for three to five-year-old children. Children enjoy 30 minutes of books, songs, fingerplays, and more during this classic storytime.

Mondays: January 23 - May 8
10:00-10:30 AM
Simmons Library

Tuesdays: January 17 - May 9
10:00-10:30 AM
Uptown Library

Thursdays: January 19 - May 11
10:00-10:30 AM
Northside Library

Fridays: January 20 - May 12
10:30-11:00 AM
Southwest Library

FAMILY STORYTIME

The whole family is invited to storytime! Come read stories, sing songs, and have fun!

Mondays: January 23 - May 8
6:00-6:30 PM
Southwest Library

ONCE UPON A CUENTO

¡Bienvenidos! Welcome to our storytime bilingüe. We will read libros and sing canciones!

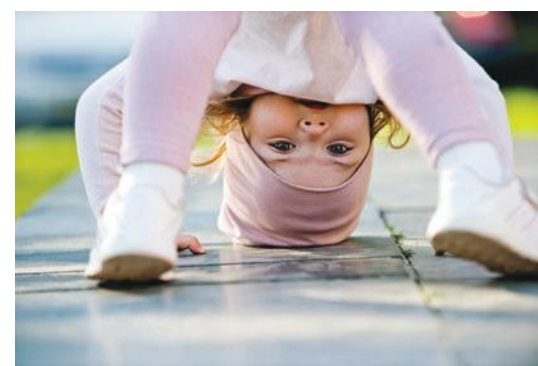
Fridays: January 20, February 10, March 17, April 21, May 19
9:30-10:00 AM
Southwest Library

BEACH PARTY

Beat the winter blues at this indoor beach party. Play, craft, and most importantly: stay warm!

Saturday, January 7
10:30-11:30 AM
Uptown Library
Ages 3-5

KPL PRESCHOOL YOGA



Shake, sing, and be silly while learning basic yoga poses, mindfulness, and meditation! Join us for a fun and engaging practice for young yogis, led by a KPL staff member who is a certified children's yoga teacher. Signed waiver required before class begins.

Registration and signed waiver required before class begins. Registration opens 1 week before each class.

Wednesdays: January 18, March 15, May 17
10:00-10:45 AM
Northside Library
Ages 3-5

Wednesdays: February 15, April 19
10:00-10:45 AM
Southwest Library
Ages 3-5

STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

Have you ever wondered what happens when the library is closed? Send your favorite stuffed animal to a sleepover at the library, and come back in the morning to see what they did all night! **Registration Required.**

Drop off: Friday, January 20, 3:00-5:30 PM
Pick up: Saturday, January 21, 10:00-11:00 AM
 Northside Library
 Ages 3-5

POTS AND PANS BAND

Clang! Ting! If you have ever wanted to hear a bunch of babies recreate the pots and pans instrumental break from Led Zeppelin's *Whole Lotta Love*, this is for you. Bring your under-2s to join in a kitchen tools musical extravaganza.

Saturday, January 21
 10:30-11:30 AM
 Southwest Library
 Ages 0-2

SNOWY DAY PLAY

Wouldn't it be awesome to play with snow that wasn't cold? Help us make fake snow and create mini snow friends. Weather permitting, we will play with and compare real snow to the fake kind!

Tuesday, January 24
 4:30-5:30 PM
 Simmons Library
 Ages 3-5

Thursday, January 26
 3:30-4:30 PM
 Uptown Library
 Ages 3-5

PUZZLING PALOOZA



Search high and low to help us find the puzzle pieces to complete our giant puzzle! Play with all kinds of puzzles, mazes, and mysteries. Make your own puzzle to take home!

Saturday, February 11
 10:30-11:30 AM
 Southwest Library
 Ages 3-5

BABY AND ME YOGA

Stretch, sing, and play while connecting emotionally and physically with your baby. Participants will practice interactive beginner yoga poses, mindful breathing, and infant massage. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.**

Saturdays: February 18, April 15
 10:30-10:45 AM
 Northside Library
 Ages 3-13 Months

BALANCING BAMBINOS

Do you have what it takes to complete our balance challenges? Try your hand at balancing letters on the mini alphabet tree and strut your stuff on the balance beam!

Tuesday, February 21
 4:30-5:30 PM
 Simmons Library
 Ages 3-5

Thursday, February 23
 3:30-4:30 PM
 Uptown Library
 Ages 3-5

TWINKLE TWINKLE



Bring your baby to the library and dazzle them with all things shiny and bright!

Saturday, March 4
 10:30-11:30 AM
 Southwest Library
 Ages 0-2

WRECKING BALLS AND PENDULUMS

What will you wreck? Experiment with big balls, small balls, light up balls and more while you knock down block towers, stacked cups, and cardboard box pyramids.

Saturday, March 18
 10:30-11:30 AM
 Northside Library
 Ages 3-5

PLANES, TRAINS, AND AUTOMOBILES



Zoom to the library for fun on wheels! Paint your own vehicle, build a cardboard garage, and test out planes, trains, and automobiles on ramps. **Registration Required.**

Tuesday, March 21
 4:30-5:30 PM
 Simmons Library
 Ages 3-5

Thursday, March 23
 3:30-4:30 PM
 Uptown Library
 Ages 3-5

FAIRYTALE FUN



Calling all princesses, knights, fairies, and elves! Complete the hero training obstacle course, search for dragon eggs, brew a witch's potion, and join in fairytale-themed games & crafts. Costumes encouraged!

Saturday, April 22
 10:30-11:30 AM
 Southwest Library
 Ages 3-5

MARVELOUS MAGNETS

Explore the world of magnets! Come test out different objects to see if they are magnetic and play with magnificent magnetic toys.

Tuesday, April 25
 4:30-5:30 PM
 Simmons Library
 Ages 3-5

Thursday, April 27
 3:30-4:30 PM
 Uptown Library
 Ages 3-5

BAM! CRASH! SMASH!

Crash trucks through a "brick" wall, smash playdough with a variety of unique kitchen utensils, crush chalk with a mortar and pestle, pound nails into styrofoam with a mallet, and more.

Saturday, May 13
 10:30-11:30 AM
 Northside Library
 Ages 3-5

UNBELEAFABLE ART!

Create your own botanical prints through the magic of crayon rubbings! We will use a variety of plants and leaves to create unique, kid friendly art.

Tuesday, May 23
 4:30-5:30 PM
 Simmons Library
 Ages 3-5

Thursday, May 25
 3:30-4:30 PM
 Uptown Library
 Ages 3-5

BABY ZOO

Life with under-2s is a zoo! Meet other parents and let your littles explore zoo-themed puppets and toys.

Saturday, May 27
 10:30-11:30 AM
 Southwest Library
 Ages 0-2

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 5-9 (ADULT ATTENDANCE OPTIONAL)

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ANIMALS IN THE SNOW

Paint a blizzard with a comb, splatter snowflakes with a stick, and use other found objects to paint a snowy scene. Then, alter a photo of an animal to layer onto your painting and make a mixed media masterpiece!

Thursday, January 12
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

Tuesday, January 24
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

POTIONS AND PLAY DOUGH

Mix up a chemical reaction and see what you can create with our playdough tinker trays.

SNOW FUN

Wednesday, February 8
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

SLIPPERY, SPARKLY SCIENCE

Tuesday, February 28
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

GIANT CARDBOARD DOUGHNUTS

Paint a giant donut with delicious colors, glue on sprinkles, and have a little donut snack while you learn about dessert-painting artist Wayne Thiebaud. **Registration Required.**

Friday, March 10
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

Tuesday, March 28
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

ELEMENTARY ART CAMP

Take a crash course on the main elements of art by replicating the methods of famous artists. Each participant will create a final project incorporating everything they learn! This program is part of a multi day series. When registering, you are signing up for all three days of the program. **Registration Required.**

Wednesday April 11, Thursday April 12,
Friday April 13
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Northside Library

WHAT WILL HATCH?



Baby chicks hatching are adorable! But what about baby snakes? Animals hatch from a variety of beautiful eggs. Explore animal habitats, play a matching game, create a creature, and design their egg.

Tuesday, April 25
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

Friday, April 28
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

DOLLS & DINOS TEA PARTY

Bring your favorite doll or dinosaur toy along for a one-of-a-kind tea party. We will learn about etiquette, and when it's okay to break the rules and just have fun. Dressing up is welcome!

Saturday, May 6
10:30-11:30 AM
Southwest Library

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 9-12 (ADULT ATTENDANCE OPTIONAL)

WHEN REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, CALL YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES AT (262) 564-6150.

8-BIT ART



Video game fans: take virtual to reality in this pixelated art program. Transform Perler beads into 8-bit works of art inspired by Minecraft, Super Mario, and Pokémon.

Wednesday, January 4
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

SENSATIONAL STATUES

We will be making cool sculptures of people in motion made with aluminum foil in the style of the artist Alberto Giacometti.

Thursday, January 5
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

OZOBOTS

Code without a computer! Use colors and lines to make an Ozobot stop, start, change speed, spin, turn, and more. Can you program the Ozobot to make it through an obstacle course? **Registration Required.**

Friday, January 6
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

Friday, January 27
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

CHESS CLUB



Curious about chess? Come to this informal and fun chess club! We will play games to strengthen your knowledge of the basics, and encourage each player at their own level, whether you know how to capture *en passant* or you only know knights as the "horse"!

Wednesdays: January 18, February 15,
March 22, April 19, May 24
5:30-6:30 PM
Southwest Library

GRAPHIC NOVEL BOOK CLUB

Read an awesome Graphic Novel and then let's come together to talk about it! The first 6 participants to register will receive their own copy of the book to keep (limited to one book per household). Books are available for pickup at the Southwest Library unless you call to request it for pickup at another branch. **Registration required.**

Thursdays: January 26, February 23, March 23, April 27
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

MINECRAFT MONDAYS

Zombies and Creepers and Pigs! Oh my! Hop into the KPL Minecraft Server and let's go exploring! Every month we will meet for a different Minecraft adventure and explore a new map or spend time doing a building challenge. You must have a Minecraft account and play on Xbox One, Nintendo Switch, Android Phone, iPhone, iPad, Windows 10, Windows Phone, Amazon Fire tablets, or Gear VR. You cannot be playing on the Java version. You will be emailed how to access the server the day before the program. We will also meet over Zoom so that we can talk as we play. After registering, check your email for confirmation, which will include a link to the Zoom event. Check your spam folder and call the library if you don't receive it. **Registration Required.**

Mondays: February 6, March 6, April 3, May 1
4:30-5:30 PM
Zoom

CHOCOLATE OLYMPICS

Compete in challenges that are super sweet and chock full of chocolate! Who will be the champion of our Chocolate Olympic games? **Registration Required.**

Friday, February 10
3:00-4:00 PM
Northside Library

STITCH A STORY

Learn a few basic stitches and use pieces of fabric to sew a scene on a bookmark. Learn about quilt codes and how quilts were used along the Underground Railroad to guide enslaved people to freedom.

Wednesday, February 22
5:30-6:30 PM
Southwest Library

Friday, February 24
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

CREEPY CRAWLY ROBOTS

Create and program a variety of cute-as-a-bug robots with our Bee-Bots, littleBits, and Bristlebots.

Thursday, March 2
5:30-6:30 PM
Northside Library

Friday, March 3
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

PROJECT PETWAY

Can you take stuffed animal fashion to the next level? Create an outfit for your favorite stuffed pet using the materials provided in this fun fashion design challenge.

Friday, March 31
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

LLAMA LOOM

We will have fun making a warm and woolly llama and then weave an adorable mini blanket for the cold weather.

Thursday, April 6
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library
Ages 9-12

DA VINCI CAMP

Discover the many interesting things about artist, scientist and inventor Leonardo da Vinci. Bring his genius to life by building catapults, flying machines, and da Vinci-inspired art! This program is part of a multi day series. When registering, you are signing up for all three days of the program. **Registration Required.**

Monday April 10, Tuesday April 11, Wednesday April 12
3:00-4:00 PM
Southwest Library

EASY BREEZY WIND CHIMES

Create unique wind chimes to hang up outdoors or decorate your room. See what you can create with recycled materials and craft supplies. **Registration Required.**

Monday, April 17
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

Wednesday, April 26
5:30-6:30 PM
Southwest Library

WOODWORKING

Learn to use tools safely while practicing basic woodworking skills. Get creative with a variety of materials. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins. Parent or guardian supervision required for the duration of the class.**

BOOKENDS

Monday, May 15
5:30-6:30 PM
Southwest Library

SELF PORTRAIT

Wednesday, May 17
5:30-6:30 PM
Northside Library

ULTIMATE CHEF CHALLENGE

Contestants will have 45 minutes to make a delicious dish featuring a mystery ingredient. Our judges will do a taste test to decide who is the Ultimate Chef in this fun cooking challenge. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.**

Wednesday, May 31
5:30-6:30 PM
Southwest Library

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 5-12 (ADULT ATTENDANCE ENCOURAGED)

WHEN REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, CALL YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES AT (262) 564-6150.

TAILS 'N TALES: READ TO A DOG!

Sign up for a 15-minute reading session with one of the certified reading education assistance dogs from Kenosha's Dogs of Endearment. **Call Youth and Family Services at 262-564-6150 to register, or visit the children's desk at one of our branches. Registration Required.**

Saturdays: January 7, March 4, May 6
10:00 - 11:00 AM
Northside Library

Saturdays: February 4, April 1
10:00 - 11:00 AM
Southwest Library

KPL KIDS YOGA

Shake, sing, and be silly while learning basic yoga poses, mindfulness, and meditation! Join us for a fun and engaging practice for young yogis, led by a KPL staff member who is a certified children's yoga teacher. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins. Arrive 5-10 minutes early, as class will begin promptly. Latecomers will not be admitted.**

Mondays: January 9, March 13
4:30 - 5:15 PM
Southwest Library

Mondays: February 13, April 10
4:30 - 5:15 PM
Northside Library

KID KITCHEN: PANCAKE PARTY

Calling all pancake enthusiasts! Make a delicious twist on traditional pancakes and then sample your culinary masterpiece. Allergens: Milk, eggs. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.**

Monday, January 9
4:30-5:30 PM
6:00-7:00 PM
Northside Library

GROOVY LAVA LAMPS



Light up your life with lava lamps! Learn about density as you create your own lava lamp to take home. **Registration Required.**

Tuesday, January 10
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, January 12
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

POKÉMON CLUB

Calling all Pokémon trainers! Join us each month for a different Pokémon themed activity!

Fridays: January 20,
March 17, April 21, May 19
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

KID KITCHEN: COOKIES!

Scrumptious cookies that are gluten-free and don't require baking? Yes, please! Join us to make chocolate chip cookies without turning on the oven! Allergens: Milk. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.**

Wednesday, February 1
4:30-5:30 PM
6:00-7:00 PM
Southwest Library

BLEEDING HEARTS

We will have a wonderful time using tissue paper to paint our piece of art.

Thursday, February 2
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

WEATHER WATCHERS

Have you ever wanted your own cloud? You can make one! Join us to create your own cloud in a jar. **Registration Required.**

Tuesday, February 7
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, February 9
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

ART IN GEORGIA O'KEEFE'S GARDEN

Get lost in the flowers! Join us to create your own unique masterpiece based on the artwork of famous Wisconsinite Georgia O'Keefe. **Registration Required.**

Tuesday, March 7
5:30-6:30 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, March 9
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

KID KITCHEN: CHILI

Are you still cold from the long winter? Warm up at the Northside Library with vegetarian chili. Do you like it extra spicy? No problem! You will add the spices and toppings to make it your own. Allergens: Milk (for optional toppings only). **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.**

Friday, March 24
1:00-2:00 PM
3:00-4:00 PM
Northside Library

MINECRAFT UNPLUGGED

Join us offline for a celebration of all things Minecraft! Complete a scavenger hunt for a golden apple recipe, play a Minecraft game, and create your own Creeper Craft!

Friday, March 24
2:00-3:00 PM
Southwest Library

KID KITCHEN: SCRUMPTIOUS SMOOTHIES



Calling all fruit lovers! Get creative to make your own delicious (and healthy) smoothies! Allergens: Milk. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.**

Tuesday, March 28
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, March 30
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

SLIME TIME

Customize your own batch of extra-gooey slime with glitter and other mix-ins. Don't miss out on oodles of oozy fun!

Tuesday, April 11
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, April 13
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

GAMER PARTY

Unplugged and plugged in! Video games, board games, giant yard games—we will have it all! Try at least 6 games to earn a Gamer crown and the right to brag to all your friends about your superior gaming skills.

Friday, April 14
1:30-3:30 PM
Northside Library

MAY FLOWERS

April showers bring May flowers! We will let our imaginations create some unique flowers with different watercolor techniques.

Thursday, May 4
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

CHILDREN'S DAY CARP KITES



Celebrate Japan and Children's Day! Learn about the history and traditions of carp kites while making one of your very own. **Registration Required.**

Tuesday, May 9
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, May 11
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

WEAVING 101

Learn about the rich history of Cambodian mat weaving, practice several weaving techniques, and create a woven coaster to take home. **Registration Required.**

Friday, May 12
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

Tuesday, May 23
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

TRY IT: TAEKWONDO!

Join the U. S. Taekwondo Academy at the Library! This introductory class will teach you the basics of taekwondo, including kicks and punches! **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.**

Saturday, May 13
10:00-11:00 AM
Southwest Library

Saturday, May 20
10:00-11:00 AM
Northside Library

KID KITCHEN: FLOWER GARDEN GRAHAM CRACKERS

Create an edible flower garden snack! We will practice kitchen safety and our cutting skills when we use a variety of fruits and seeds to make flower designs on graham crackers. Allergens: Milk, Wheat. **Registration and signed waiver required before class begins.**

Thursday, May 25
4:30-5:30 PM
6:00-7:00 PM
Northside Library

EVENTS FOR FAMILIES

WHEN REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, CALL YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES AT (262) 564-6150.

LEGOS @ THE LIBRARY

Build with LEGOs and display your creation at the library. Best for families with children ages 5 and up.

Tuesdays: January 3, January 31, February 28, April 4, May 2
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursdays: January 5, February 2, March 2, April 6, May 4
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

FAMILY READING CLUB

Read a book together as a family, then discuss it with others at the library! The first 6 families to register for each event will receive their own copy of the book to keep. Books will be made available 1 month in advance of the program. Check the events calendar at mykpl.info for book titles. **Registration Required.**

Sundays: January 8, February 5, March 19, April 16, May 7
2:00-3:00 PM
Southwest Library

HOMESCHOOL CLUB

Gather and socialize with other local homeschooling families while trying different STEM activities for homeschoolers of all ages.

Wednesdays: January 11, February 1, March 1, April 5, May 3
10:00-11:00 AM
Southwest Library

STUPENDOUS SUNCATCHERS



Design a beautiful suncatcher using flowers, leaves, seeds, and grasses.

Tuesday, January 17
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, January 19
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

BROWN BAG MOVIES

Bring your lunch or some movie snacks to eat while watching a fun family film on the big screen.

Fridays: January 20, March 17
12:00-2:00 PM
Northside Library

Fridays: February 10, April 7
12:00-2:00 PM
Southwest Library

January: *Minions: The Rise of Gru*
February: *Space Jam: A New Legacy*
March: *DC League of Super-Pets*
April: *Lightyear*

GLORIOUS GUITARS



Did you know that Robert Flemming Jr. invented a type of guitar called the Euphonica? Join us to learn more, make a guitar, and have a homemade instrument jam session.

Tuesday, February 14
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, February 16
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

POKÉMON DAY

Catch 'em all at Northside Library and celebrate National Pokémon Day with games, crafts, 3D printing, movies, and more! All ages will love pika-choosing which activities to jump into! Costumes and other Pokémon-wear encouraged. **Check our website for a detailed list of activities and times.**

Monday, February 27
9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Northside Library

PARENTS: WE'VE GOT CLASSES JUST FOR YOU!

See *Growing KPL Kids* on page 13.



TRASH TO TREASURE

Let's celebrate our planet by transforming recyclables into beautiful treasures!

Tuesday, March 14
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, March 16
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

PEEP-O-RAMA

Families are invited to enter our Annual Peep-O-Rama contest! Create a diorama at home using everyone's favorite marshmallow treat. Entries must include at least one marshmallow peep or bunny in the diorama, which must be based on a book. The diorama must be appropriate for all and use a standard size shoebox. **Dioramas must be dropped off at the Youth Services desk at the Southwest Library by 2:00 PM on Saturday, March 18th.** Everyone is invited to cast a vote for their favorite dioramas at the Southwest Library from Monday, March 20th until Sunday, March 26th!

Saturday, March 18
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Southwest Library

YOU'VE GOT THE BEAT

Join us to learn about the beautiful Goblet Drums used throughout the Arab world, as you design, create, and paint your own drum.

Tuesday, April 18
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, April 20
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

STAR WARS FAMILY NIGHT



May the Fourth Be With You! Join us to celebrate all things Star Wars with the whole family!

Thursday, May 4
5:00-6:00 PM
Southwest Library

IT'S GAME NIGHT!

Revisit board game classics or explore one you've never tried before in this cozy, family-friendly game night.

Tuesday, May 16
5:00-6:00 PM
Simmons Library

Thursday, May 18
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

NOCHE DE PINTURA FAMILIAR



Ven a la biblioteca por una noche pintando con toda la familia. Crearás una obra con las huellas de sus manos que todas las edades pueden hacer.

Monday, May 22
5:00-6:00 PM
Southwest Library

Teen Programs



EVENTS FOR TEENS (AGES 12-19)

WHEN REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, CALL YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES AT (262) 564-6150.

TWEEN ANIME CLUB @ NORTHSIDE

Love watching Yuugo learn how to milk a cow, helping Ash catch 'em all, and camping with Rin and Nadeshiko? Come watch anime, talk about manga, eat Japanese snacks, and enjoy fun activities! Whether you are an avid anime fan or just starting out, this club is perfect for you!

Tuesdays: January 3, March 7, May 2
Wednesday, February 1
Thursday, April 6
5:00-6:00 PM
Northside Library
Ages 10-14

KENOSHA KITCHEN: VEGGIE SPRING ROLLS



It may still be winter, but we're starting the year off right with these delicious spring rolls! Learn how easy it can be to make a quick and healthy afterschool meal. **Registration required. A completed Cooking Class Permission Slip & Waiver signed by a parent/guardian is required before class begins.**

Wednesday, January 4
5:30-6:30 PM
Southwest Library

HOMESCHOOL HOURS @ THE TEEN SPACE

Break away from the younger siblings and hang out in the Teen Space during special Homeschool Hours! Game, craft, and participate in special pop-up programs and activities.

Wednesdays: January 11, February 1,
March 1, April 5, May 3
10:00 AM-12:00 PM
Southwest Library

TEEN TECH: VIRTUAL REALITY HEADSETS



Play games and experience different simulations using our VR headsets! Whether you are an old pro or want to try them out for the first time, this program is for you!

Wednesday, January 18
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library
Ages 13-19

NIA PATHWAYS & PURPOSE FOR THE FUTURE

Searching for an answer to the question, "What do I want to be when I grow up?" Nia is here to help! Nia is a career and college exploration program for BIPOC youth in 6th-12th grade, designed to prepare you for the working world. Meet local business owners and community leaders, participate in skill building workshops, and take trips to local colleges and organizations to explore career paths. **Nia is a partnership between Kenosha Public Library and UW-Madison Division of Extension.**

Thursdays: January 19, February 16,
March 16, May 18
4:30-6:00 PM
Southwest Library

TEEN SPACE @ NORTHSIDE

Start your weekend off at the library! Watch a movie, play games, and hang out with your friends! We will have pop-up activities available at this drop-in program.

Fridays: January 20,
February 17, March 17
3:00-5:30 PM
Northside Library

TEEN SPACE MOVIE NIGHTS

Bring some snacks and some friends to take in a flick in the Southwest Library Teen Space during our special movie nights. Movie titles will be announced online one week before the showing.

Friday, January 20
Monday, April 10
3:00-5:00 PM
Southwest Library

DICE & ADVICE



Need to bend the ear of another Dungeons & Dragons or RPG player? Never played the game before and not sure where to begin? This is the perfect social group for you! Get insight from other teens (and Librarians) who play on character building, campaign creating, dungeon mastering and more. D&D resources and books will be provided, just bring your enthusiasm and curiosity.

Mondays: January 23, February 20,
March 27, April 24, May 22
5:00-6:30 PM
Southwest Library

MAGIC: THE GATHERING CLUB



Whether you are a well-traveled Planeswalker or MTG newbie, you won't want to miss our new monthly club! This tabletop card game is perfect for fans of Pokémon or Dungeons & Dragons looking to branch out into a new game. Ages 10-19 are welcome. **Registration encouraged.**

Tuesdays: January 24, February 21, March 21, April 18, May 23
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

Looking for an opportunity to give back and get involved in your community? Need service hours? Join the Library's Teen Advisory Council! In TAC, you'll get to share ideas about teen library programs and services, participate in service projects, and earn volunteer service hours.

Thursdays: January 26, February 23, March 30, April 27, May 25
6:30-7:30 PM
Southwest Library

TEEN CRAFT: CONVERSATION HEART KEYCHAIN

Need a quick (but heartfelt) Valentine's gift? Want to declare your independence with a quirky take on the conversation heart? We'll supply all the materials and know-how to create a one-of-a-kind Valentine's keepsake.

Thursday, February 2
4:30-5:30 PM
Simmons Library

TEEN ART SPARKS: WATERCOLOR FANTASY WORLDS



Explore unique and easy watercolor techniques to create fantastical landscapes limited only by your imagination!

Wednesday, February 15
4:30-5:30 PM
Northside Library

ALMOST ADULTING: TEEN BUDGETING BASICS



Life is expensive and money matters can be overwhelming, especially for teens! Whether you are applying for your first job soon or moving out on your own, learning how to budget is essential to make sure your bills are covered (and leave a little extra for fun)! Join us for budgeting basics and learn about different apps and tools to help you balance it all.

Wednesday, March 1
6:00-7:00 PM
Northside Library

FELT CUTE: KAWAII CONCHAS



A layer of felt, a dash of glue, and a sprig of thread is all it takes to craft yourself the cutest little concha! Add a magnet to turn it into the perfect pan dulce locker buddy.

Tuesday, March 14
4:30-5:30 PM
Uptown Library

TEEN AFTER-HOURS: NOVEL NOSHERS

Your Friday night is booked! Join us for book bingo (with prizes!) and book-themed crafts as we celebrate National Reading Month! Best of all? You'll nosh on snacks as you flip through personalized reading recommendations from your favorite Teen Librarians! **Registration required. Completed permission slip & waiver must be filled out and turned in before 5:00 PM on 03/24/2023.**

Friday, March 24
6:00-8:00 PM
Northside Library

TEEN WRITERS' TIME: NATIONAL POETRY MONTH



April is National Poetry Month! Whether you consider yourself a poet or are looking to break into the genre, come join us to create your own Blackout Poetry out of old books and recycled newspapers.

Monday, April 3
6:00-7:00 PM
Northside Library

Wednesday, April 19
4:30-5:30 PM
Simmons Library

TEEN ART SPARKS: KAWAII ANIMAL MINIATURES

Create adorable Kawaii charms out of polymer clay. Turn your charm into jewelry or a lucky charm for your backpack or keys!

Thursday, April 20
4:30-5:30 PM
Southwest Library

ESCAPE THE SPIDER-VERSE



Uh oh! You're stuck in another dimension and you need to help Spider-Man find a way to send you home. Can you escape in time or will your fate be sealed? Prepare for a new Spider-Verse movie with this short Miles Morales-themed escape room.

Wednesday, May 17
4:30-4:50 PM
5:00-5:20 PM
Uptown Library

Adult Programs



BOOK CLUBS AND WRITING

MYSTERY LOVERS BOOK CLUB



Do you love a good mystery? Join us to discuss what mysteries you've been reading, learn about new authors, or just come listen. No specific books are designated to read.

Mondays: January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10, May 8
2:00 - 3:00 PM
Northside Library

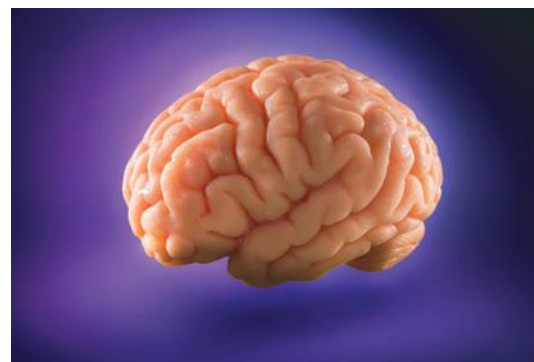
FANTASY/SCI-FI BOOK CLUB



Come talk with people who love fantasy and science fiction as much as you do! Tell us what you've been reading and discover other titles and authors. No specific books are designated to read.

Mondays: January 23, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 22
6:00 - 7:30 PM
Southwest Library

TOPICS & TALK BOOK CLUB



Reading is healthy! Studies show that reading improves memory, enhances empathy, and reduces stress. This book club reads titles selected and curated by the National Library of Medicine in a variety of topics, formats and genres. Two books will be offered each month, read either or both! Then come ready to listen, learn and discuss.

Thursdays

February 16: *This Heart of Mine* by C. C. Hunter (fiction) or *The Open Heart Club: A story about birth and death and cardiac surgery* by Gabriel Brownstein (non-fiction)

April 20: NEA Big Read selection: *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi (fiction) or *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot (non-fiction)

6:30 - 7:30 PM
Northside Library

CALL-IN BOOK CLUB

If you have a hard time getting out of the house, try this unique book club over the phone. Just call in to hear the whole group! To register and get the call-in phone number, contact Kenosha Area Family and Aging Services (KAFASI) at 262-658-3508 (ext. 110 or 118). For more information, contact Emily Kastelic at ekastelic@mykpl.info or call 262-564-6130.

Tuesdays: January 10, February 14, March 14, April 11, May 9
2:00 - 3:00 PM
Call-In Party Line

CLASSIC NOVELS BOOK CLUB

What defines a classic novel? Is it time, quality, or that indefinable something that makes us want to read a book over and over? Choose something you consider classic for our monthly theme and we'll discuss what makes a book special and which ones to add to our bucket lists.

Wednesdays

January 25: Read a classic novel with a name in it

February 22: Read a classic novel by an African-American author

March 22: Read a classic novel about a transgressive woman

April 26: Read a classic novel written in the 1950s

May 24: Read a classic detective novel

3:00 - 5:00 PM
Northside Library

THIS AND THAT BOOK CLUB

Have you been searching for a book club that reads a little bit of everything? Are you an avid reader looking to find other readers like yourself? Join us every month to explore a Fiction or Nonfiction title. Please contact Amy at akleintechert@mykpl.info with any questions!

Thursdays

January 12: *That Wild County* by Mark Kenyon

February 9: *Kitchens of the Great Midwest* by J. Ryan Stradal

March 9: *Endurance: Shackleton's Incredible Voyage* by Alfred Lansing

April 13: *Sea of Tranquility* by Emily St. John Mandel

May 11: *Crying in H-Mart* by Michelle Zauner

6:30-7:30 PM
Southwest Library

NANOWRIMO WRITERS GROUP



Whether you are a seasoned writer or a first-time author this is the workshop for you! Stop by to learn new tips and tricks and have time to write in the presence of other writers.

Sundays: January 8, 22, February 5, 19, March 5, 19, April 2, 16, May 7, 21
12:30-4:00 PM
Northside Library

SPARK CREATIVITY

IN STITCHES: A SEWING CLUB

Are you looking to brush up on your sewing skills? Have you always wanted to learn to sew, but weren't sure where to start? Let us help you! Join us every month to learn how to sew, work on your latest project, or start a new project in a relaxed environment. We will provide 6 sewing machines along with a simple pattern each session. If you would like to bring in your own machine and projects from home, please feel free. All skill levels welcome!

Registration Required.

Tuesdays: January 3, February 7, March 7, May 2
6:00-8:00 PM
Southwest Library

IN THE MAKING

Let's make ALL the things! Come on out to DIY, chat and reap the many benefits of crafting - stress relief, dexterity, and a sense of accomplishment, not to mention having something to take home with you.

Registration Required.

Tuesdays: January 17, February 28, March 21, April 18, May 16
6:00-8:00 PM
Southwest Library

FIBER ARTS COMPANY

Do you enjoy knitting, crocheting, cross-stitch, embroidery, or other fiber art? Bring your work-in-progress, share some patterns, and enjoy the company of other makers.

Mondays: January 23, February 20, March 20, April 17, May 15
6:00 - 7:00 PM
Northside Library

DYE-O-RAMA: SNOW DYE

Learn about how to dye fabric using snow (or ice) and powder dye to create a watercolor effect. Please bring a 50% or higher blend fabric or garment to dye and we will provide the rest! **Registration Required.**

Thursday, February 2
6:30-7:30 PM
Southwest Library

ADULTS & CRAFTS: BOOK WREATHS

Love book decor? So do we! Join us this Valentine's Day and celebrate your love of books by creating your own beautiful hanging book wreath. Registration required.

Tuesday, February 14
2:00 - 3:30 PM
Northside Library

KINDNESS WEEK COMMUNITY ART PROJECT

What is your life's blueprint? What is your own somebodiness? What is your worth? Join us in celebrating Martin Luther King's life and speech "What is your life's blueprint?" with a community art project. Stop by any KPL location to participate, simply pick up a kit, create your blueprint and return it to any location to be featured in our community art project. All ages welcome!

All KPL Locations

Kit Pick-Up: December 15-31

Art Drop-Off: January 1-12

Art Show: January 13-20 (NS Display Case)

LIBRARY LOVE LETTERS

Celebrate Library Lover's Month by writing a love letter to the community of Kenosha. Share what makes Kenosha special to you - perhaps it is a poem for your favorite breakfast place, or a letter of appreciation for the best tree in a park, your favorite library or book store - now is your chance to profess your love! Pick up a letter writing kit or use materials within your reach. Submit your letter by January 31 to be featured in our compilation album. Please refrain from including identifying information, if you would like to sign your name please sign with your first name only.

All KPL Locations

Kit Pick-Up: January 1 - 31

Letter Drop Off: by January 31

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

HOW TO KEEP A NATURE JOURNAL

Keeping a nature journal is a fantastic way to sharpen your observation skills while allowing room to explore the excitement, wonder, and curiosity about the nature around you, whether it is your favorite hiking trail, a new setting or even your own backyard. Learn how to start your own nature journal in this class, we will provide the journals, you bring the curiosity.

Wednesday, January 25
6:30-7:30 PM
Southwest Library

Tuesday, March 28
6:30-7:30 PM
Northside Library

THE JOY OF BIRDING

Did you know that bird watching is the number one recreational activity in the United States? Join other bird watchers and enthusiasts for this special presentation. Learn how to encourage and assist birds to visit your yard, play a naming game to learn types of birds and finish with a visit from a live owl from the Schlitz Audubon Nature Center. **Registration Required.**

Tuesday, January 31
5:00-6:00 PM
Southwest Library

FUNDAMENTALS OF PLANT DISEASE

Learn about disease-causing organisms and the symptoms they cause, as well as information on environmental factors that favor disease development.

Register at www.mykpl.us/plants

Wednesday, January 25
6:30-9:00 PM
Virtual

GROWING HEALTHY PLANTS

BASICS IN PLANT DISEASE MANAGEMENT

Learn about common methods for disease control, their pros and cons, and how you can adapt these techniques for use in your own home garden. **Register at www.mykpl.us/plants**

Wednesday, February 22
6:30-8:30 PM
Virtual

DR. DEATH'S PLANT DISEASE PREDICTIONS FOR 2023

Learn about Brian Hudelson's predictions of what diseases will be prevalent and of importance in 2023. Keep in mind however, that if Brian were actually able to predict accurately, he would be relaxing on a beach, drink in hand, having made millions on the stock market. **Register at www.mykpl.us/plants**

Wednesday, March 22
6:30-8:30 PM
Virtual

THE SCIENCE (AND ART) OF PLANT DISEASE DIAGNOSIS



Learn about the fascinating and complex process involved in identifying plant diseases. Learn about how to visually assess plant disease symptoms, as well as the range of lab tests that are often needed to confirm the identity of plant diseases. **Register at www.mykpl.us/plants**

Wednesday, April 26
6:30-8:30 PM
Virtual

NEW AND EMERGING PLANT DISEASES

Learn about plant diseases that have recently arrived in Wisconsin and have potential economic and/or regulatory impact, as well as more established diseases that have the potential to significantly impact the state in the near future. **Register at www.mykpl.us/plants**

Wednesday, May 24
6:30-8:30 PM
Virtual

KPL CLASSICS

CHESS NIGHT

Play chess in the company of fellow enthusiasts and the Kenosha Chess Association! Everyone is welcome: beginners to experts of all ages (kids under 9 must be accompanied by an adult). Bring your own chess set or use one of ours. Visit the KCA at www.kenosha-chess.org

Wednesdays: January 4, 18, February 1, 15, March 1, 15, April 5, 19, May 3, 17
6:30-8:00 PM
Southwest Library

WINTER CHESS TOURNAMENT

Join us for an all-day chess fun fest for all ages! Play chess along with fellow players and the Kenosha Chess Association to win big! Children under 9 must be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday, January 14
9:30 AM-4:00 PM
Southwest Library

BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR OF THE SIMMONS LIBRARY

Enjoy a peek behind the scenes of our local historic treasure: Simmons Library! Learn about Zalmon Simmons, Daniel H. Burnham, and the history of this beautiful building. This tour involves significant stair climbing. Everyone is welcome! **Due to the historic nature of the Simmons Library, the building is not equipped with a ramp for entrance. This event requires the use of a spiral staircase.**

Saturdays: January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13
2:30-3:30 PM
Simmons Library

OLD WEIRD AMERICA

Join historian Cathy Polovina as she follows her curiosity and explores "Old Weird America," to look a bit closer at a variety of adventurous, innovative, and unusual characters throughout American history.

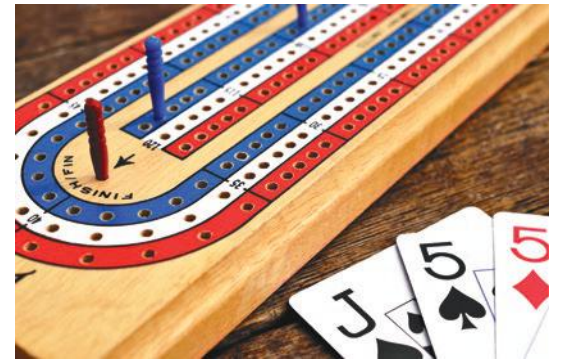
Thursdays
February 9: *The Rock'in Life of Little Richard Penniman*
March 9: *"Vice is Nice": The World of Dorothy Parker*
April 13: *The Pop Life of Andy Warhol*
May 11: *The Murder of Grace Brown, An American Tragedy*
6:00-7:00 PM
Northside Library & Virtual

NORTHSIDE AFTERNOON MOVIE

Every first and third Thursday afternoon of the month, settle in at your Northside neighborhood branch and take in a movie. Screenings will range from highly-rated new releases to nostalgic throwback favorites. Doors open at 12:15pm, Movie begins at 12:30pm. Movie selections will be listed at mykpl.info when available.

Thursdays: January 5, 19, February 2, 16, March 2, 16, April 6, 20, May 4, 18
12:30 - 3:00 PM
Northside Library

CRIBBAGE CLUB



Players of all skill levels are welcome to join a fun new club at your local library. We'll supply the boards, pegs, and cards - you bring the game-winning strategy!

Thursdays: January 19, February 16, March 16, April 20, May 18
6:00 - 7:30 PM
Southwest Library

POKÉMON DAY

Catch 'em all at Northside Library as we celebrate National Pokémon Day with games, crafts, 3D printing, movies, and more. All ages will love pika-choosing which activities to jump into! Check our website for a detailed list of activities and times. You love to wear it, we love to see it! Costumes and other Pokémon-wear encouraged.

Monday, February 27
All Day
Northside Library

CONNECTING YOU

CAREER EXPLORATION WORKSHOP

Understanding yourself is essential to choosing a career. We've partnered up with Gateway Technical College and their Career Counseling department to bring you a Career Exploration Workshop! A career counselor will help you understand the different personality types and how yours can be used in the career-planning process.

Wednesday, January 11
10:30-11:30 AM
Northside Library

LEGAL ADVICE

Participants will have an opportunity to meet online for 30 minutes with a local attorney who can review completed Wisconsin forms before they are submitted to the courts. Participants will also be guided on correct forms needed to be completed and submitted to the courts to accomplish their legal goals. **To request a virtual appointment, visit any Kenosha Public Library location and fill out a legal advice intake form or call 262-564-6130.**

Wednesdays: Family Matters
10:30-12:00 PM
Virtual

Thursdays: Small claims, Renter's rights and Debt issues
12:00-1:30 PM
Virtual

PLOTS AND PANS



UNUSUAL GENEALOGICAL TREASURES

Calling all new and seasoned genealogists alike! Join us for a day of genealogy events with Eleanor Brinsko from Carlon Genealogical Services. Sign up for one, two, or all three events and spend the day with us digging into some new ways to learn more about those family roots. Visit us at mykpl.info or give us a call at 262-564-6140 to learn more about each event.

Registration Required.

Saturday, May 13
10:00 - 11:00 AM: *Sifting Through the Cookbooks for Our Female Ancestors*
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM: *BYO Brown Bag Lunch & Brick Walls Chat*
12:00 - 1:00 PM: *Our Black Sheep and Their Prison Records*
Northside Library

THE KENOSHA COUNTY AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW, WANT TO KNOW, AND SHOULD KNOW

Join us for an overview of the free and confidential services and support the ADRC provides Kenosha County residents. Topics will include the Power of Attorney for Health Care (why it's important for adults living in Wisconsin) and details about the Durable Medical Equipment Loan & Supply Closet. Presented by Paula Clark, Community Outreach Coordinator, Kenosha County ADRC.

Wednesday, May 31
2:00 - 3:00 PM
Northside Library

TECHNOLOGY

YOUR PRIVACY ONLINE

Your privacy matters, especially in an increasingly digital world. Online Privacy involves the ability to control what information you reveal about yourself over the internet, and to control who could access that information. This class will help you take control and teach you the five rules for online privacy. This program is available in-person or online. **Registration required for online participation.**

Monday, January 9
6:00 - 7:00 PM
Southwest Library

GOOGLE DRIVE 101

Learn about Google Drive, the free web-based alternative to Microsoft that lets you create documents, presentations, spreadsheets, and forms. This is a great opportunity for parents with students at KUSD to learn about the Google Apps that their students use at school. Participants will be required to set up a Gmail account, or bring your email and password if you already have a Gmail. Please bring your own devices. Up to six laptops will be provided on a first come-first served basis.

Tuesday, January 24
6:00 - 7:30 PM
Southwest Library

INTERNET NAVIGATION TIPS AND TRICKS

Start getting the internet to work the way you want while learning tips and tricks to make online navigation easier. Up to four computers are available on a first come-first serve basis.

Monday, February 20
1:30 - 2:30 PM
Uptown Library

BUILDING RESUMES WITH GOOGLE DOCS

Want to stand out in a sea of applicants? Learn how to use templates to give you a baseline place to get started building a stellar looking resume or cover letter. A Google account/Gmail account is required to use Google Docs.

Monday, March 6
6:00 - 7:00 PM
Northside Library

MANAGING HOME BUDGETS WITH GOOGLE SHEETS

Starting a budget is the first step - how do you stay on track? Let us show you how to use Google Sheets as a free resource to keep track of your finances. A Google account/Gmail is required to use Google Sheets.

Monday, March 13
6:00 - 7:00 PM
Northside Library

PROTECTING AND MANAGING YOUR PASSWORDS

Your password is the first and greatest protector of your privacy online. This workshop will help you to make great passwords, and introduce methods for managing them. This program is available in-person or online. **Registration required for online participation.**

Tuesday, April 11
6:00 - 7:00 PM
Southwest Library

ONLINE PAYMENTS MADE EASY

Venmo, Paypal, Cash App, Facebook Pay and more have become some of the primary ways people can ask for payments online. We will explore what digital payment options are, discuss how secure digital wallets are, and how they factor in the current digital world.

Monday, May 22
6:00 - 7:00 PM
Northside Library

LIBRARY 101

Your library card unlocks a world of opportunity. Join us on Tuesdays for a brief session to learn more about digital resources, services, and let us show you how to get started! Be sure to bring your library card and your device with you.

ALL ABOUT LIBBY

Join us to learn more about this free app that connects you to ebooks, audiobooks, and more!

Tuesday, January 3
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Southwest Library

Tuesday, January 10
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Northside Library

Tuesday, January 17
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Uptown Library

ALL ABOUT PRONUNCIATOR

Language learning at your fingertips! Join us to learn about this free resource with over 150 languages.

Tuesday, February 7
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Southwest Library

Tuesday, February 14
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Northside Library

Tuesday, February 21
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Uptown Library

ALL ABOUT LINKEDIN LEARNING

Looking for a free way to continue your professional development or learn a new skill? Join us to explore this free learning solution - including certified courses!

Tuesday, March 7
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Southwest Library

Tuesday, March 14
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Northside Library

Tuesday, March 21
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Uptown Library

ALL ABOUT ANCESTRYLIBRARY

Did you know that you can access Ancestry.com for free in the library with your library card? Let us show you how to get started.

Tuesday, April 4
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Southwest Library

Tuesday, April 11
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Northside Library

Tuesday, April 18
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Uptown Library

ALL ABOUT AUTO REPAIR SOURCE



Car trouble is never fun. Join us to learn about this free resource that can help diagnose, identify, or fix problems from the comfort of your house.

Tuesday, May 2
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Southwest Library

Tuesday, May 9
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Northside Library

Tuesday, May 16
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Uptown Library

MORE THAN MONEY:

LIFTING AND ENRICHING KENOSHANS THROUGH FINANCIAL LITERACY

Looking to expand your portfolio, understand budgeting basics, or work with a financial coach? Join us as we connect you to all the resources you need to understand, build, and create financial security and wealth. Visit www.mykpl.info/morethanmoney for a full lineup of events.

FINANCIAL LITERACY: INTRODUCTION TO CREDIT

Your credit has a major impact on your financial planning. Join us to learn about the different types of credit, how to build or fix your credit to help you achieve your financial goals. This program is brought to you by our partners at North Shore Bank.

Thursday, January 19
6:30-7:30 PM
Southwest Library

BUDGETING THAT WORKS

Learning how to budget is a great way to achieve your financial goals. Whether you are making a budget for yourself, your household or your business, we will show you how to manage and stick to your budget. This program is brought to you by our partners at WWBIC.

Thursday, March 16
6:30-7:30 PM
Southwest Library

PLANNING FOR A HEALTHY BUSINESS



Have you always dreamt of starting your own business, but weren't sure where to begin? Are you just starting out and want to keep your business healthy? Join us with a representative from North Shore Bank to learn tips and tricks to plan for the now and plan for the future of your business. This program is brought to you by our partners at North Shore Bank.

Thursday, May 15
6:30-7:30 PM
Southwest Library

SCAMS TARGETING SENIORS

Learn about common types of fraud and scams and how to prevent elder financial exploitation. Most importantly, discover ways to keep your information safe and secure through advanced planning. This program is brought to you by our partners at North Shore Bank.

Thursday, February 16
6:30-7:30 PM
Southwest Library

MANAGING DEBT

Understanding your debt is the first step to managing it. Joining us to learn about different kinds of debt and how to tackle them in a manageable way. This program is brought to you by our partners at North Shore Bank.

Thursday, April 20
6:30-7:30 PM
Southwest Library

ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

MAHJONG MONDAY

Stop by our beautiful Simmons branch and play a round of this classic Chinese game.

Monday, May 8
6:30-7:30 PM
Simmons Library

KPL COOKS: HOT POT

Join us for a live cooking demonstration, highlighting a traditional Chinese dish, Hot pot. We will be making a vegetarian version for this demonstration.

Saturday, May 13
2:00-3:00 PM
Southwest Library & Virtual

CHIGIRI-E TAKE HOME KIT

Learn about Chigiri-e, a Japanese art form from the comfort of your own home. Kits are available on a first come, first served basis.

All KPL Locations
May 1-31

GROWING KPL KIDS

JOIN US FOR A SERIES OF PROGRAMS FOCUSING ON TIPS, ADVICE, AND THE CONNECTIONS YOU NEED TO GROW HEALTHY AND HAPPY KIDS. THESE PROGRAMS ARE MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH A PARTNERSHIP WITH ADVOCATE AURORA HEALTH.

Q&A WITH A PEDIATRICIAN

How often should my newborn be eating? Should my toddler have one or two naps? What can I do to help with the transition to pre-school? Join us for a virtual Q&A with pediatrician, Dr. Soniya Shah. During this time, you can ask questions, connect with other parents and explore common parenting concerns.

Registration Required.

Monday, February 27
1:00-2:00 PM
Virtual

KEEPING MOM STRONG: PELVIC FLOOR HEALTH

Not only are you adjusting to a whole new lifestyle after your baby is born - you are also healing from bringing that life into the world. Join Stephanie Nielsen, PT to learn more about the symptoms of pelvic floor pain and issues that can range from incontinence, heaviness and bulging, and what you can do to help alleviate, improve and thrive.

Monday, March 6
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Northside Library

DEVELOPMENTAL TOYS 101

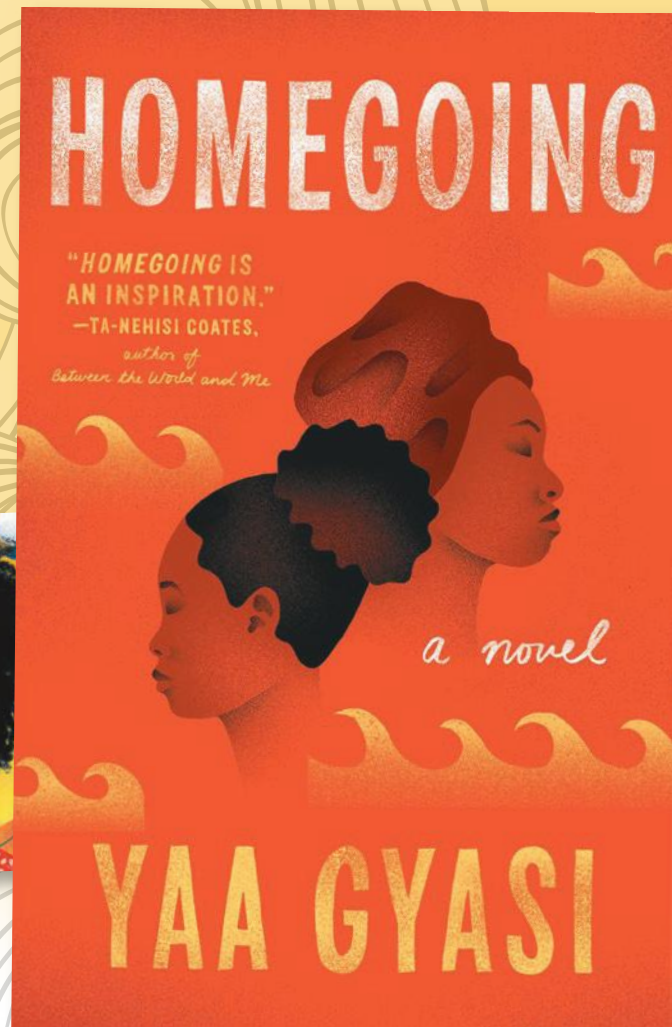
What toys are best for my 6 month old? What activities should I be doing with my 18 month old to help with development? Join Occupational Therapist, Adriana Marciniak OTR/L, to learn more about the childhood benefits of playing with developmentally appropriate toys and discover what educational toys the library has available for checkout. Children are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate with caregivers at this interactive session. Light snacks will be provided.

Monday, May 22
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Southwest Library

NEA BIG READ: HOMEGOING

The NEA Big Read is back! Join us in April for events, programs, and conversations around Yaa Gyasi's award-winning debut novel *Homegoing*. Visit www.mykpl.info/neabigread for events and book distribution information.

Save the date! Award-winning author Yaa Gyasi will be joining us for a virtual conversation as the NEA Big Read Keynote! Registration available soon.



**MONDAY, MAY 8
6:30-7:30 PM
VIRTUAL**

DON'T MISS OUR UPCOMING BOOK SALES!

Help support the Kenosha Public Library by stopping out, and buying a book. We have lots of titles and genres to choose from. Don't miss out; it's the best bargain around! The Friends of the Kenosha Public Library support the library in many ways, including the funding of programs for kids, teens, and adults.

February 10-12: Southwest Library

\$5 a Bag
Friday, 12:00-6:00 PM
Saturday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday, 12:00-4:00 PM

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LIBRARY
book sale

MEET OUR NEW LIBRARY SOCIAL WORKER: SAVANNAH BEZOTTE

Seeking social service information, assistance, referrals, advice, or need direction on your next steps? I am available at our Simmons and Uptown locations for assistance. Need more information? Email me with any questions- I am very flexible and very willing to help!

Find out more at
www.mykpl.us/socialwork

KENOSHA PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION

The Kenosha Public Library Foundation is a tax-exempt, private, nonprofit corporation, which exists to support the mission of the Kenosha Public Library. It is the Foundation's goal to enrich, not replace, traditional tax-based support for the Library through gifts from individuals and organizations. Your contribution to the Kenosha Public Library Foundation will help perpetuate the highest quality library resources for information, recreation, and lifelong learning for residents of all ages in the city and county of Kenosha.

Find out more about the Foundation on our website at www.mykpl.info/foundation



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Kenosha Public Library is a volunteer organization that provides support for the Library's improvement. Primary fundraisers of the Friends include book sales and the sale of reusable bags. From these funds, the Friends purchase equipment and materials as well as provide funding for programming and events at the Kenosha Public Library.

Look around the Kenosha Public Library and you will find many gifts from the Friends. These gifts are made possible by the support of people like you.

Want to become a Friend?

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www.mykpl.info/friends



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

NEW LENDING LIBRARIES

Did you know you can check out and return materials without ever visiting a branch? You heard right! We're making visiting the library easier than ever before, with our new lending libraries at both the Kenosha YMCA and Boys & Girls Club of Kenosha.

DISCOVER OUR LIBRARY OF THINGS

The Library of Things is a collection of non-traditional materials including gadgets, tools, games, kits, electronics, and more — all available to check out for free with your library card. Need something for a one-time project or want to try before you buy? Explore the collection and discover your next new Thing to borrow!

Find out more at
www.mykpl.us/libraryofthings