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Booktoberfest '22
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español

Trevin (heritage speaker)

Ian (conversational)

Logan (intermediate)

français

Heather (intermediate)

Lauren (advanced)

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Anita (heritage speaker)

हिन्दी

Anita (advanced)

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ABOUT US: Lawrence Public Library (LPL for short) is a community hub that believes in the power of connecting with each other through shared knowledge and resources. Located in the heart of Downtown Lawrence, Kansas, we're committed to providing a space where everyone can learn, connect, create, and grow through access to our vast collections, resources, services, programs, and knowledgeable staff. The library is supported by tax dollars, the LPL Friends & Foundation's record-breaking book sales and philanthropic efforts, and dedicated efforts of more than 300 volunteers.



We're celebrating the book (and book nerds)

Libraries do so many things these days, but for me, the essence of public libraries remains our commitment to unfettered access to — and the celebration of — *books*. Reading them, listening to them: books live at the heart of a library. As I write, I'm looking across my office to shelves filled with books of all sorts.

This October, we once again celebrate a new LPL tradition: Booktoberfest! As Polli notes later in this magazine, reading generally is a solitary pursuit. Reading touches on so many components of our mission: to imagine more and provide a place to learn, connect, create, and grow. Booktoberfest leans into connection; it's a time for readers to come together and share their passions about reading. Past "Book Nerd" events we've hosted have been lovely gatherings of Folks Who Read. Attending these events, I've seen communities immediately built on the connection of reading. It's an awesome thing.

So, join us as we celebrate the book this October. We're going to have a good time.

Happy reading!

Brad

BOOKTOBERFEST | FOR THE LOVE OF BOOKS

Spend sweater weather with us!



AUTHOR **Sara Paretsky**

PLUS

Haunted Stacks **Scavenger Hunt** • Book Club **Speed Dating**
The Dracula Daily's **Matt Kirkland** • The Book of Love: **A Very 70s Prom**

Books are a uniquely portable magic...

by Polli Kenn | Readers' Services Coordinator



Reading is generally a solitary activity. Autumnal reading, admiring the changing leaves, tucked away with a warm blanket, a crackling fire, a nice cuppa.

But reading's a solitary activity with the peculiar ability to connect us to every other human who ever lived or will live. To every other creature and world and scenario that can be thought up. Reading pushes our imagination as individuals, but also what we can create and learn together.

Books offer us many things: Solace. Hope. Recognition. Perspective. Joy. The power of story to transform and transcend has never been more important, and the power to unite us through story, that is the most special of all.

The library's second annual Booktoberfest is on the horizon and with it, the ability to declare yourself a Book Nerd and find your people!

The inimitable Stephen King gave us the title of this article and if you believe it like I do, then we have a month for YOU!

October 1st kicks us off with a crowd favorite from last year, the Haunted Stacks scavenger hunt for adults, one with fun and nostalgia in store. Our ever-popular Book Club Speed Dating returns, along with new and exciting events featuring the incredible (and former Chesty Lion) Sara Paretsky and local blogger Matt Kirkland may just entice you to give Dracula another look. There will be opportunities to share favorite books with neighbors all month long, plus something extra special for the 50th Anniversary of the Friends & Foundation. (It's 1972 — do you know where your blue ruffled tuxedo is? You might keep an eye out because the Book of Love Prom is coming to LPL!)

As we come together to celebrate Booktoberfest, the opportunity is upon us again to rejoice in and reflect on the stories of others. LPL welcomes you to find yourself in good company this October! 🍷

Booktoberfest

GET EVENT DETAILS ON **PAGE 13**

We decided we'd have a book sale and brazenly asked people to donate books. And they did! It was incredible!

—Mary Burchill

Founding member of the Friends of the Library



Celebrate with Friends!

by Kathleen O'Leary Morgan | Director of Development & Community Partnerships



One of the most anticipated Booktoberfest events this year is the 50th Anniversary celebration of the Friends of the Lawrence Public Library. This amazing organization, founded by three Lawrence women, planted the seeds for LPL's fundraising efforts. We'll be celebrating in a big way with a 1972-themed prom, so dust off that powder blue tux and plan to attend on Friday, October 28 at 1235 Venue in North Lawrence (see page 13 for details.)

Nearly 50 years ago on December 5, 1972, the Carnegie Association for the Lawrence Library (CALL) was created in order to help "develop and advance the operation of Lawrence Public Library." Founded by Chie Craig, Mary Malinowsky Burchill, and Evelyn Hastings, this organization grew to become the Friends of the Library.

Mary Burchill recalls, "Our purpose would be to raise money...not for salaries, but for extra things the library needed. We decided we'd have a book sale and brazenly asked people to donate books. And they did! It was incredible!"

The very first book sale held on June 14, 1973 raised \$1,748—a massive success for the time. From there, the book sales became bigger and more organized. What began as a simple fiction versus nonfiction selection grew into 10,000 books in 14 categories just one year later. By its fifth anniversary in 1977, the Friends of the Library had adopted its new name. By the tenth anniversary, the Friends counted 645 members and set a record of \$8,500 raised for the library.

Year after year, the Friends continued to break fundraising records and became a game-changing resource for Lawrence Public Library. In 2020, the Friends merged with the Library Foundation to become the LPL Friends & Foundation. The name may have changed, but the awesomeness continues, with a thriving online operation, multiple on-site book sales, and personal book shopping appointments.

All of this is possible thanks to our wonderful volunteers, our generous donors, and loyal library advocates. Thank you for being a Friend. 🇺🇸



NEW DONOR

PERK

Become a monthly library donor and get this limited edition Dottie mug!

(\$10 monthly minimum)

Donate now at LPLFF.org/give

BELATED BANNED BOOKS

BINGO

with host **Deja Brooks**



WED | Oct 5 | 7 PM | Arterra Event Gallery
(2161 Quail Creek Drive)

Join us for a special round of Drag Bingo. Play 8-10 games of themed bingo, win bookish prizes, and support the library while you're at it. Cost is \$10 at the door; LPLFF donors get in free. Light snacks and drinks available for purchase.



BANNED BOOKS WEEK

September 18 - 24, 2022
bannedbooksweek.org



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You can also make a gift online at LPLFF.org/give

Invest in Your Library

The Lawrence Public Library Friends & Foundation (LPLFF) is a non-profit organization that works to strengthen and supplement the public's investment in the library. Even in a city like Lawrence, tax dollars aren't enough to provide all the important resources that people need. Together, **we give, we volunteer, and we advocate** so the library can connect and inspire everyone in our community.

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ADDRESS

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● Make a **one-time gift** by check or credit/debit card:

- ☐ \$25 — Short Story
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- ☐ \$100 — Bestseller
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● **YES! Send me information about:**

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Snip and send this form to:

LPL Friends & Foundation
PO Box 973
Lawrence, KS 66044

Thank you.

1,115,400

total items circulated

248,564

Digital Audio, Video & eBooks



252,659

total in-person visits

496,655

total website visits

23,364

public computer sessions

14,762 / 4,649

Ask Desk / Book Help Desk
questions answered

48,518

cardholders

3,942

new cards made

40,000

library blog page views

5,620

Seed Library packs made
and picked up by patrons



Every **60** minutes, we...

CATALOG

8 new items

ANSWER

24 questions

PREP

62 holds

CHECK IN

180 items



762 free library events



21,890 humans

attended free library events



813 fun-seekers

partied at Summer Reading Kick-Off



15,203 minds

grew at kid & teen programs



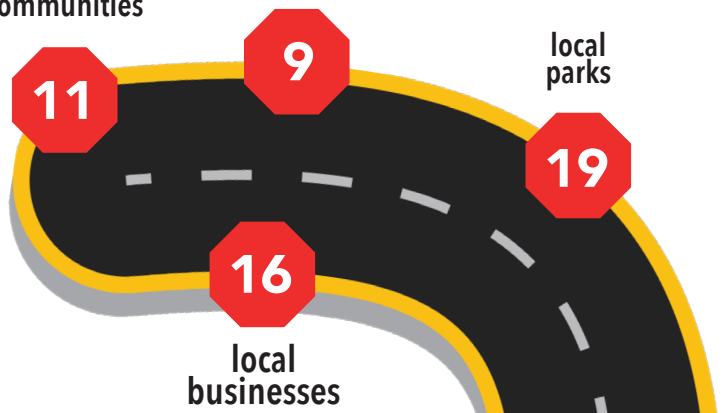
7,035 storytimes

were watched virtually online

retirement
communities

nonprofits

local
parks



local
businesses

Outreach by the numbers

Our mobile librarians were busy!



2021 ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT | SUCCESS STORIES

How the library helped Lawrence learn, connect, create, and grow...

Equipped Meeting Room A and the Auditorium for hybrid meetings and remote participation in library programs

Received a \$5,000 grant from the Kansas Library Association to devote to staff health and wellness.

Received nearly \$100,000 in IMLS grant money to fund a pilot pipeline program that aims to break down barriers for entering the library profession. Our two recipients received a paid internship and full ride to library school. Ours was one of 39 projects chosen out of 71 applications. We were one of only 3 public libraries to receive funding in 2021.

Partnered with 22 different organizations and agencies for our Social Service Office Hours and Community Resource Clinics to help our community stay informed about and connect to resources that can help individuals meet their basic needs.

Provided 1,500 child and 18,000+ adult individually bagged masks to patrons.

Provided library account support and library card sign-up at 25 community outreach events.

Raised over \$6,000 via Kids' Action Club for Lawrence Community Shelter with a raffle fundraiser featuring Newbery Medalist Kwame Alexander.

Improved patron Media Room experience by alphabetizing our video collection, tweaking our CD collection for better browsing, revamping our Staff Picks display to be more personal, and moving the video game collection to a more visible location.

Provided 186 patrons with 191 laptop checkouts and 242 wireless hotspots via the CARES Act-funded Digital Equity Project.

Maintained a safe, clean, and accessible library in the pandemic.

Gave 160 art kits to kids with CASA and the Willow through Kids' Action Club efforts.

Registered 46 households for 1 year of free internet through our CARES Act-funded Digital Equity Project.

Provided 715 Book Club in a Bag kits, 86 book club meetings, and 771 online personalized reading recommendations.

Hosted 481 youth programs for 15,203 kids and teens.

Read all summer long! Kids and teens clocked 2,720,661 minutes, earned 27,217 badges, and registered 2,466 times for programs. 1,287 finished Summer Reading and 1,207 prizes were claimed.

Friends & Foundation
LAWRENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

\$436,000

2021 total given to the library – a new annual record – from generous private gifts and library book sales

REVENUES

Intergovernmental	5,126,565
Charges for Services	10,152
Fees & Lost Items	22,151
Donations & Grants	533,899
Other	11,049

Total Revenues \$5,703,816

EXPENDITURES

Salaries & Fringe Benefits	3,774,377
Library Materials	700,439
Library Programs	321,714
General Operations & Bldg Maintenance	665,875
Capital Improvement	180,174

Total Expenditures \$5,642,579

Figures are based on the 2021 audited Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

FREE EVENTS AT-A-GLANCE

How to join online events

- 1 – Go to lplks.org
- 2 – Search event name
- 3 – Click to join event
- 4 – Registration required? We'll send a link!

Library events are subject to change.
See lplks.org to confirm dates and times.

SEPTEMBER

THU 1

CLOSED Staff Development Day

FRI 2

10 AM RBC Coffee Break
4 PM Tween Club
5 PM SMART Recovery

SAT 3

10:30 AM Cuentacuentos
2 PM Chess Club

SUN 4

CLOSED Labor Day

MON 5

CLOSED Labor Day

TUE 6

10:30 AM Library Storytime
6 PM Books & Babies

WED 7

9 AM 1 Million Cups
10:30 AM Books & Babies
2 PM Teen Zone Expanded
4 PM Kids' Action Club
4 PM Midwest Genealogy Center
5 PM SMART Recovery
6 PM Toddler Storytime
6:30 PM Parent Support Group

THU 8

10:30 AM Toddler Storytime
4 PM Tech Club
4:30 PM S+V Studio Basics
6:30 PM Library Storytime

FRI 9

10 AM RBC Coffee Break
10:30 AM Library Storytime
4 PM Karaoke
5 PM SMART Recovery

SAT 10

10 AM Book Sale
10:30 AM Tail Wagging Readers
2 PM Gaming Tournament

SUN 11

1 PM Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
2 PM Repair Studio
3:30 PM Multicultural Storytime
4 PM Social Justice Book Club

MON 12

12 PM Community Expungement Clinic
4 PM Rainbow Club
6 PM Aging Parent 101
6:30 PM Sing & Rhyme Storytime

TUE 13

10:30 AM Library Storytime
6 PM Books & Babies
6:30 PM Nature Book Club
7 PM Speculative Fiction Book Club

WED 14

9 AM 1 Million Cups
10:30 AM Books & Babies
11 AM Homeschool Lego Club
2 PM Teen Zone Expanded
5 PM SMART Recovery
6 PM Toddler Storytime
6:30 PM KU Author Dr. Randal Jelks
6:30 PM Parent Support Group

THU 15

10 AM KPR Live Day
10:30 AM Toddler Storytime
5 PM RBC Wine Around the World
6:30 PM Library Storytime
7 PM Thriller Thursday Book Club

FRI 16

10 AM RBC Coffee Break
10:30 AM Library Storytime
4 PM Tween Club
5 PM SMART Recovery

SAT 17

10:30 AM Cuentacuentos

SUN 18

1:30 PM Mysterious Mustache Book Club
1:30 PM Mystery Book Club

MON 19

6:30 PM Sing & Rhyme Storytime

TUE 20

10:30 AM Library Storytime
3 PM Community Resource Clinic
6 PM Books & Babies
7 PM BYOB
7 PM RBC Dessert & A Movie

WED 21

9 AM 1 Million Cups
10:30 AM Books & Babies
2 PM Right to Read Celebration
5 PM SMART Recovery
6 PM Toddler Storytime
6:30 PM Parent Support Group

THU 22

ALL DAY Hobbit Take & Make
10:30 AM Toddler Storytime
6:30 PM Library Storytime
7 PM Author Nabil Ayers

FRI 23

10 AM RBC Coffee Break
10:30 AM Library Storytime
5 PM SMART Recovery

SAT 24

10 AM John Jervis Guitar School
2 PM Lego Club

SUN 25

1:30 PM Tail Wagging Readers
3:30 PM Multicultural Storytime

MON 26

6:30 PM Sing & Rhyme Storytime

TUE 27

10:30 AM Library Storytime
6 PM Books & Babies

WED 28

9 AM 1 Million Cups
10:30 AM Books & Babies
2 PM Teen Zone Expanded
4 PM Pokémon 101
5 PM SMART Recovery
6 PM Toddler Storytime
6:30 PM Parent Support Group
7 PM Last Wed Book Club

THU 29

6 PM Yoga Time

FRI 30

10 AM RBC Coffee Break
5 PM SMART Recovery

OCTOBER

SAT 1

10:30 AM Cuentacuentos
2 PM Chess Club
7 PM Booktoberfest Kickoff
STARTS Spooky Old Tree Hunt

SUN 2

1 PM Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
3:30 PM Deja's Reading Rainbow

MON 3

6:30 PM Sing & Rhyme Storytime

TUE 4

10:30 AM Library Storytime

6 PM Books & Babies

6:30 PM Kansas Mushrooms

WED 5

9 AM 1 Million Cups

10:30 AM Books & Babies

2 PM Teen Zone Expanded

4 PM Kids' Action Summit

5 PM Homebuyers Workshop

5 PM SMART Recovery

6 PM Toddler Storytime

6:30 PM Parent Support Group

7 PM Belated Banned Books Bingo

THU 6

10:30 AM Toddler Storytime

12 PM Community Blood Drive

4 PM D&D Club

4 PM Tech Club

4:30 PM Modular Synth 101

6:30 PM Library Storytime

FRI 7

10 AM RBC Coffee Break

10:30 AM Library Storytime

4 PM Tween Club

5 PM SMART Recovery

SAT 8

10:30 AM Tail Wagging Readers

11 AM Craft Club

2 PM Gaming Tournament

SUN 9

1 PM Music at Your Library

2:30 PM Repair Studio

3:30 PM Multicultural Storytime

4 PM Social Justice Book Club

MON 10

4 PM Rainbow Club

6:30 PM Sing & Rhyme Storytime

TUE 11

10:30 AM Take Me for A Ride Storytime

6 PM Books & Babies

7 PM Speculative Fiction Book Club

WED 12

9 AM 1 Million Cups

10:30 AM Books & Babies

11 AM Homeschool Lego Club

2 PM Teen Zone Expanded

4 PM Kids' Action Summit

5 PM SMART Recovery

6 PM Toddler Storytime

6:30 PM Parent Support Group

 7 PM Book Club Speed Dating

THU 13

10:30 AM Toddler Storytime

5 PM RBC Wine Around the World

6 PM Movie Night: *Willy Wonka*

6:30 PM Library Storytime

FRI 14

10 AM RBC Coffee Break

10:30 AM Take Me for A Ride Storytime

4 PM Karaoke

4 PM Pokémon Free Play

5 PM SMART Recovery

SAT 15

10:30 AM Cuentacuentos

7 PM Star Wars Trivia

SUN 16

1:30 PM Mysterious Mustache Book Club

MON 17

6:30 PM Sing & Rhyme Storytime

TUE 18

10:30 AM Library Storytime

6 PM Books & Babies

7 PM BYOB

WED 19

9 AM 1 Million Cups

10:30 AM Books & Babies

2 PM Teen Zone Expanded

4 PM Kids' Action Summit

4 PM Genealogy/Local History Resources

5 PM SMART Recovery

6 PM Toddler Storytime

6:30 PM Parent Support Group

7 PM RBC Dessert & A Movie

THU 20

10:30 AM Toddler Storytime

4 PM D&D Club

6:30 PM Library Storytime

7 PM Thriller Thursday Book Club

 7 PM The Dracula Daily

FRI 21

10 AM RBC Coffee Break

10 AM Fall Book Sale

10:30 AM Library Storytime

2 PM Pet World: Creepy Crawlies

4 PM Tween Club

5 PM SMART Recovery

SAT 22

10 AM Fall Book Sale

2 PM Lego Club

SUN 23

12 PM Fall Book Sale

1 PM Tail Wagging Readers

3:30 PM Multicultural Storytime

MON 24

2 PM Movie: *Kiki's Delivery Service*

6:30 PM Sing & Rhyme Storytime

TUE 25

10:30 AM Library Storytime

6 PM Books & Babies

WED 26

9 AM 1 Million Cups

10:30 AM Books & Babies

2 PM Teen Zone Expanded

4 PM Kids' Action Summit

5 PM SMART Recovery

6 PM Toddler Storytime

6:30 PM Parent Support Group

7 PM Last Wed Book Club

 7 PM Author Sara Paretsky

THU 27

10:30 AM Toddler Storytime

6 PM Yoga Time

6:30 PM Library Storytime

FRI 28

10 AM RBC Coffee Break

10:30 AM Library Storytime

5 PM SMART Recovery

 7 PM Book of Love: A Very 70s Prom

SAT 29

10 AM John Jervis Guitar School

11:30 AM Just Cook

4 PM Halloween Party

MON 31

10:30 AM Spooky Dance Party

4 PM Library Trick-or-Treat

6:30 PM Sing & Rhyme Storytime

ENDS Spooky Old Tree Hunt

NOVEMBER

TUE 1

10:30 AM Library Storytime

6 PM Books & Babies

WED 2

9 AM 1 Million Cups

10:30 AM Books & Babies

2 PM Teen Zone Expanded

4 PM Kids' Action Club

5 PM SMART Recovery

6 PM Toddler Storytime

6:30 PM Parent Support Group

THU 3

10:30 AM Toddler Storytime

3 PM Tech Club

4 PM D&D Club

6:30 PM Library Storytime

7 PM 780s Series: David Lowery

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FRI 4

10 AM RBC Coffee Break
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 5 PM SMART Recovery

SAT 5

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 2 PM Chess Club

SUN 6

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 5 PM SMART Recovery

SAT 12

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 11 AM Craft Club
 2 PM Gming Tournament

SUN 13

1 PM Music at Your Library
 2:30 PM Repair Studio
 3:30 PM Multicultural Storytime
 4 PM Social Justice Book Club
 STARTS KS Reads to Pre-K Story Stroll

MON 14

10:30 AM Dance Party for Littles
 4 PM Rainbow Club
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THU 24

CLOSED Thanksgiving

FRI 25

CLOSED Thanksgiving

SAT 26

2 PM Lego Club

SUN 27

1 PM Tail Wagging Readers

MON 28

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WED 30

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 6:30 PM Parent Support Group
 7 PM Last Wed Book Club

ALL AGES

Second Saturday Sale

SAT | Sep 10 | 10 AM–4 PM
 LPLFF Garage (7th & Kentucky)

Cozy reading season is coming! Browse books, CDs, DVDs and audiobooks – all priced \$2 and under. Check LPLFF.org for details.

Spooky Tree Scavenger Hunt

Oct 1–31 | Various locations

Do you dare go find the spooky old trees? Yes, you dare! This evening hunt will be sure to give you the shivers. Check our online calendar for details on Oct 1.

Music at Your Library

SUN | Oct 9, Nov 13 | 12–1 PM
 Auditorium

Free and open to the public! Students from the String Department of the KU School of Music will play pieces from their repertoire.

Movie Night: Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory

THU | Oct 13 | 6–10 PM
 Abe & Jake's Landing (8 E 6th Street)

Help us celebrate the Library Friends & Foundation's 50th Birthday with games, sweets, and a movie. Come dressed as your favorite book character for your chance to win a prize. Doors open at 6 PM; the movie starts at 7 PM. See LPLFF.org for details.



Movie Night was made possible thanks to the generous folks at Honey Bee Pediatric Dental Co.



STAR TRIVIA NIGHT WARS

Star Wars Trivia

All team types welcome!

SAT | Oct 15 | 7-9 PM | Auditorium

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Whether you're a Jedi Master, Rebel Leader, Sith Lord, or Padawan Learner, this family fun-filled trivia night will test you all! Play in teams or play Solo, and show off your knowledge of the Star Wars universe.

Fall Book Sale

FRI | Oct 21 | 10 AM-6 PM

SAT | Oct 22 | 10 AM-6 PM

SUN | Oct 23 | 12-4 PM

LPLFF Garage (7th & Kentucky)

Get your bookshelves ready for a long winter hibernation. All books, CDs, DVDs and Audiobooks are priced \$2 and under. Check LPLFF.org for details.



Just Cook

SAT | Oct 29 | 11:30 AM-1 PM

Auditorium

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Join Just Food for a casual cooking class and learn to cook healthy meals for under \$2 a serving. All participants get hands-on experience, a full serving of the dish, and any leftovers to take home.

Library Trick-or-Treating

MON | Oct 31 | 4-6 PM | Library-wide

Follow the friendly ghosts in the library to find special treats. You might have to do a few tricks along the way, too. First come, first served while supplies last. Costumes encouraged! You'll start in the lobby.

Community Resource Fair

FRI | Nov 18 | 2-6 PM | Auditorium

We all hit bumps in the road and need help from our friends and neighbors at times. Knowing where to turn can make all the difference. Stop by to see how many incredible services, supports, and resources are available in our community. Questions? Ask Marc: mveloz@lplks.org.

ADULTS

Booktoberfest

Haunted Stacks

SAT | Oct 1 | 7-9 PM | Library-wide

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833



Join us for (in our best ghostly voice) Boooooo! and Boooooze! after-hours party at the library. We're kicking off Booktoberfest with a celebration of reading that's a little bit spooky and a whole lot of fun. A variety of activities will be on tap, plus tasty treats and maybe a few tricks. Questions? Email Polli: pkenn@lplks.org.

Book Club Speed Dating

WED | Oct 12 | 7-9 PM | Arterra

(2161 Quail Creek Drive)

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833



Come listen as we highlight new and popular reads, great for book clubs and beyond. Leave with dozens of hot numbers vetted by your friendly neighborhood Book Squad, plus have an opportunity to reserve the hottest titles before they're available to the rest of the dating pool. Tasty treats will be on hand and the bar will be open for business. When cruising for books, you'll always come up a winner with your librarian as matchmaker! Email Polli with questions: pkenn@lplks.org.



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The Dracula Daily

THU | Oct 20 | 7-8:30 PM | Auditorium

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833



In 2020, Matt Kirkland – a local Lawrencean – started a wee blog called *The Dracula Daily*, in which bite-sized (get it?) chunks of Bram Stoker's *Dracula* were delivered to your inbox to digest over the course of six months. Today it's an internet sensation, with a few hundred thousand followers, spawning memes galore. Come hear Matt discuss the project, along with help from some of the characters in the book. Email Polli with any questions: pkenn@lplks.org.

An Evening with Author Sara Paretsky

WED | Oct 26 | 7-8:30 PM | Auditorium

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833



Sara Paretsky is special to us, having grown up here in Lawrence. But more than that, Sara changed the mystery genre forever, creating strong female characters that became the heroes, rather than the victims, in her blockbuster best-sellers. She began Sisters in Crime, a worldwide organization to advocate for women crime writers, and she's informed by her passion for social justice. Sara will talk about her recent novel *Overboard*, and the influences on her work and writing. Email Polli for more info: pkenn@lplks.org.

The Book of Love: A Very 70s Prom

FRI | Oct 28 | 7-9 PM

Venue 1235 (1235 N 3rd Street)

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833



In 1972, LPL Friends & Foundation (those amazing volunteers who raise all the funds that make LPL a fantastic library) was born. To celebrate, you're cordially invited to The Book of Love Prom! Dress in your best (or worst!) 70s attire, take the requisite fancy Prom Pics and generally have a groovy time. A night of nostalgia, literary libations, and a whole lot of Hustle await. Come celebrate 50 years of the Friends and the end of Booktoberfest '22 with us! Email any questions to Polli: pkenn@lplks.org.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Meet KU Authors: Dr. Randal Jelks

WED | Sep 14 | 6:30-7:30 PM
Auditorium

Join us for Meet KU Authors, a program presented in partnership with the Hall Center for Humanities where we highlight the scholarship and work of authors at the University of Kansas. For September, Dr. Randal Jelks, Professor of American Studies, will talk about his latest book, *Letters to Martin: Meditations on Democracy in Black America*. Evoking Martin Luther King Jr.'s Letter from Birmingham Jail, these meditations, written in the form of letters to King, speak specifically to the many public issues we presently confront in the United States – economic inequality, freedom of assembly, police brutality, ongoing social class conflicts, and geopolitics.

Nabil Ayers in conversation with LPL Director, Brad Allen

THU | Sep 22 | 7-8:30 PM
Auditorium

Drummer, entrepreneur, record executive, and essayist Nabil Ayers discusses his memoir, *My Life in the Sunshine: Searching for my Father and Discovering My Family*. In 1971, a white, Jewish, former ballerina chose to have a child with the famous Black jazz musician Roy Ayers, fully expecting and agreeing to his absenteeism. Ayers recounts a life spent living with the aftermath of that decision, and his journey to build an identity of his own despite his father's absence. Co-sponsored by KU's School of Music and Departments of American Studies and African and African American Studies. The Raven Book Store will bring copies of the book for sale.

780s Series presents David Lowery

THU | Nov 3 | 7-9 PM

Lawrence Arts Center (940 New Hampshire)

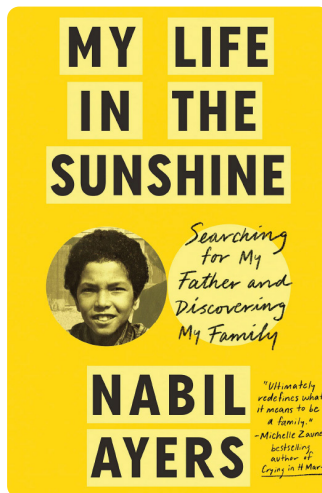
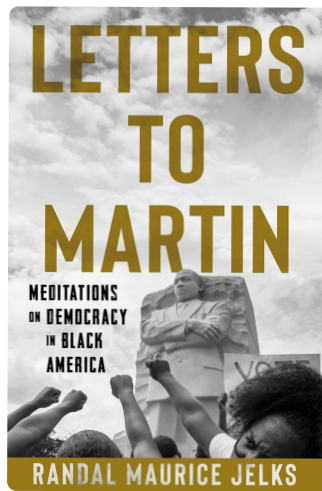
Our music storyteller series is back with our first event since 2019! David Lowery, singer-songwriter of legendary college rock bands Cracker and Camper Van Beethoven, will discuss his career in music and musician rights activism. This event is co-sponsored by the Lawrence Arts Center with support from the Harrison Family Fund.

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GENERAL EVENTS

1 Million Cups Lawrence

WED | 9-10 AM | Auditorium

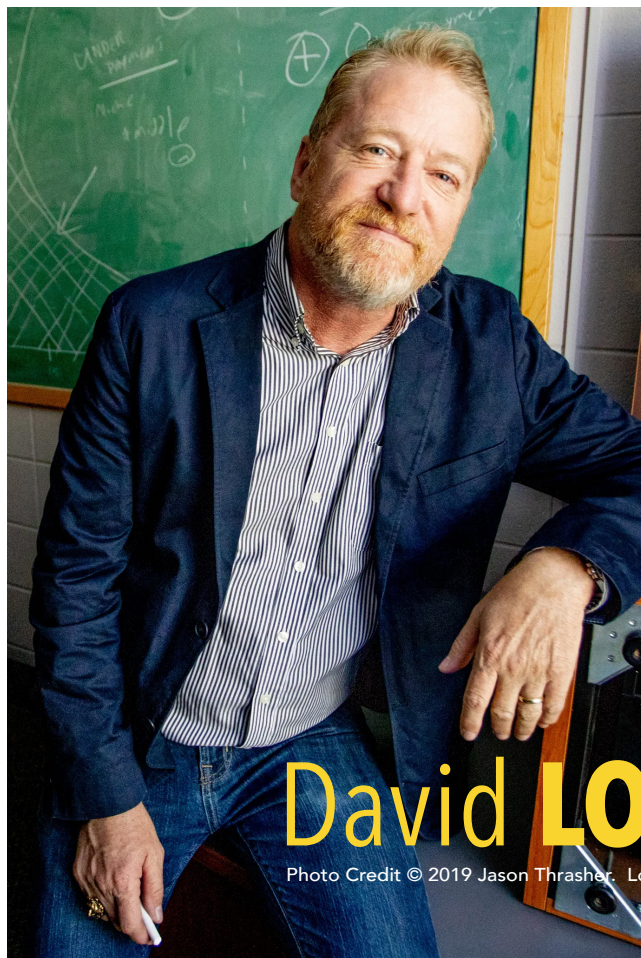
We believe that conversations taking place over one million cups of coffee can make a measurable impact on the entrepreneur ecosystem and economics of Lawrence, KS. Each week, the 1MC program offers local startups an opportunity to present their companies to a diverse audience of mentors, advisors, and entrepreneurs. Come join us, and help us reach our goal of 1 Million Cups! Questions? Contact Miles Bassett: miles@wildmanweb.com.



Civic Engagement 101

Dates & topics TBD | Auditorium & Zoom

In partnership with the League of Women Voters, we are bringing you a series on civic engagement. Learn more about local government and how to engage with civic leaders on issues that matter to you! Check lplks.org for more details.



David LOWERY

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Genealogy & Local History Spotlight: Midwest Genealogy Center

WED | Sep 7 | 4–5 PM

Zoom & Mtg Rm A

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Researching your house's history, delving into genealogy, or exploring Kansas's storied past? Join us to get acquainted with resources for digging into local and family history. Staff from the Midwest Genealogy Center will join us via Zoom to share information about their resources as well as the basics of getting started with genealogy. Questions? Ask Melissa: mfisherisaacs@lplks.org.

Repair Studio

SUN | Sep 11, Oct 9, Nov 13 | 2–4 PM

Auditorium

Bring broken items and torn clothing to our repair mentors at the library's monthly workshop for stuff in need of fixing. They can even bring things back to life! While we can't guarantee we can save everything, we can promise a fun time tinkering and learning about how things work. Questions? Want to be a Repair Mentor? Email Hazlett: repairstudio8@gmail.com.

John Jervis Memorial Guitar School

SAT | Sep 24, Oct 29, Nov 19 | 10 AM–3 PM
Study Room 5

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Lawrence guitar legend, John Jervis (1944–2021), lived by a willingness to share his talents – and expected nothing in return. In this spirit, local shop Guitarma is offering free, 25-minute guitar and ukulele lessons at the library. Just sign up as either a Novice, Intermediate, or Advanced player and get to learning in John's memory.



Book Launch: A New Guide to Kansas Mushrooms

TUE | Oct 4 | 6:30–8 PM | Auditorium

We're hosting a book launch with Sherry Kay, Benjamin Sikes, and Caleb Morse. The Raven Bookstore will sell books and you can get yours signed after the talk. Plus, we'll have a fungal show-and-tell! Questions? Ask Jake: jvail@lplks.org.

Homebuyers Workshop

WED | Oct 5 | 5–8 PM | Auditorium

REGISTER AT THIS LINK:

tenants-to-homeowners.org/homebuyer-workshop

Join Tenants to Homeowners (TTH) and learn about the steps to buying a home, why credit matters, the types of mortgage loans available, and more. The workshop is sponsored in part with US Bank. A HUD approved workshop certificate will be issued upon completion of the workshop. Attending a workshop is a requirement of the TTH Home Purchase Program.

Craft Club

SAT | Oct 8, Nov 12 | 11 AM–12 PM

Location TBD at time of registration

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

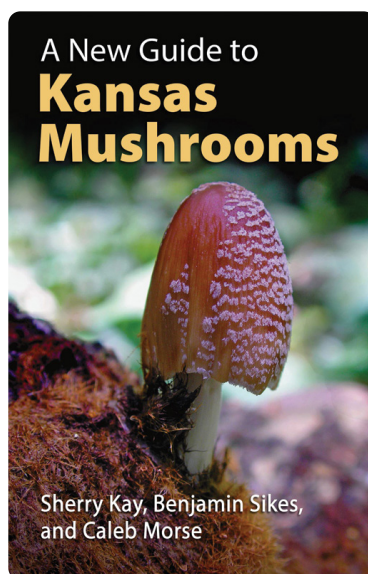
Join us monthly for a low-stakes creative project. Build community and meet other crafters, makers, and artists. No art skills required! Please register in advance so we can ensure that there are supplies for everyone. Email Ruby with questions at: rmackinnonlove@lplks.org.

Genealogy & Local History: Research Resources

WED | Oct 19 | 4–5 PM | Mtg Room A

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Researching house history, delving into genealogy, or exploring Lawrence's storied past? Come learn how to use the library's digital resources for digging into local and family history, like Ancestry Library Edition, NewspaperARCHIVE, and Sanborn Maps. We'll wrap up with a brief tour of our local history room. Email Melissa with any questions at: mfisherisaacs@lplks.org.



BOOK CLUBS

Nature Book Club

TUE | Sep 13 | 6:30–8 PM | Mtg Room A

We discuss fiction and nonfiction books connected to the natural world. Come share what you're reading and get new recommendations from Jake and Shirley. Shirley has info: sbraunlich@lplks.org.

Mystery Book Club

SUN | Sep 18, Nov 20 | 1:30–3:30 PM
Auditorium

We look at different mystery subgenres at each meeting. Reserve a spot, pick a title from our list, and join a lively chat about each others' books. Email Shirley for info: sbraunlich@lplks.org.

Sep 18 | *Own Voices Mysteries (diverse authors who share an identity with their sleuths)*

Nov 20 | *Award Winners & Classics*

Social Justice Book Club

2nd SUN | 4–5 PM | Mtg Room A

This book club gets us thinking and talking about inequality and injustice in the U.S. Through nonfiction, novels, memoirs, and more, we seek multiple perspectives with multiple points of entry, and we work to center voices of marginalized communities and people throughout our exploration. Email Polli pkenn@lplks.org for info.

Sep 11 | *The School for Good Mothers*

Oct 9 | *Razorblade Tears*

Nov 13 | *The Trayvon Generation*

Speculative Fiction Book Club

2nd TUE | 7–8 PM | Mtg Rm C

Do you like world-building fantasy, eerie dystopias, far-out sci-fi, or just want to talk about weird books and improbable what-ifs with cool people? Email Leah for info: lnewton@lplks.org.

Sep 13 | *The World That We Knew*

Oct 11 | *Kill Creek*

Nov 8 | *The Book Thief*

BYOBB (BYO Book & Beverage)

3rd TUE | 7–8:30 PM | Zoom

Come unwind with the #BookSquad. We'll be sipping tea, whiskey, wine, and the sorts while we talk books. We'd love to see 'ya and hear what you've been reading (and watching) these days! Join digitally. Email Polli for the link: pkenn@lplks.org.

Last Wednesday Book Club

Last WED | 7–8 PM | Mtg Rm A

Join the library's longest-running adult book club! Selections range from beloved classics to modern favorites. Anyone who's read the current month's book is invited to participate. Contact Polli for more info: pkenn@lplks.org.

Sep 28 | *Maid*

Oct 26 | *Mexican Gothic*

Nov 30 | *The Great Alone*

Second Thursday Book Club

2nd THU | 7–8 PM | Lawrence Beer Co.
826 Pennsylvania Street

Read and discuss a new title each month over food and cocktails. Email Polli for more info: pkenn@lplks.org.

Sep 8 | *Daughter of the Forest*

Oct 13 | *Cloud Cuckoo Land*

Nov 10 | *The Collected Stories*

Thriller Thursday Book Club

3rd THU | 7–8 PM | Mtg Room A

If you love chills, thrills, and bloody spills, join our fun group for deep dives into the macabre. We'll bounce back and forth between fun themes and popular titles, from horror to suspense to mystery thrillers. A reading and theme list is coming soon. Christina's got info: cjames@lplks.org.

Sep 15 | Theme: The House is Haunted

Oct 20 | Theme: Witchcraft

Nov 17 | The Collected Stories

HEALTH SPOT +

Community Expungement Clinic

MON | Sep 12 | 12–3 PM | Auditorium

The University of Kansas School of Law's Legal Aid Clinic, the Douglas County District Attorney's Office, and the Lawrence Public Library are partnering up to offer you an expungement clinic. Expungement seals an arrest record or conviction from public view, with certain exceptions. The Legal Aid Clinic will provide free legal representation to clients with income up to 250% of the federal poverty level seeking to expunge records in Douglas County District Court and/or Lawrence Municipal Court. Call the Legal Aid Clinic with any questions at (785) 864-5564.

So, You Have an Aging Parent 101

MON | Sep 12 | 6–8 PM | Auditorium

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Pizza dinner provided!

(\$5 suggested donation at the door)

Your parent is aging, you love them and want to help, but you aren't even sure what questions to ask. This 101-presentation will go over common issues, discuss definitions of concepts which may be new to you, and offer follow-up resources for digging deeper into the areas which pertain to you the most. Questions? Email Janet at jikenberry@yoursrc.org.

Community Resource Clinic

TUE | Sep 20 | 3–5 PM | Library Lobby

Drop in to the Lawrence Public Library for assistance with your critical needs and getting connected to community resources, such as legal assistance, transportation services, healthcare, and more! Each month will feature a different line-up of resource related topics and social service agencies. Questions? Ask Marc: mveloz@lplks.org.

Yoga Time

THU | Sep 29, Oct 27, Nov 17 | 6–7 PM
Auditorium

Sandy Beverly, owner of Bluestem Yoga, will guide us to stretch, strengthen, and breathe our way through yoga moves. (Bring your own mat, if you have one!) No registration or experience needed. Email Theresa if you have any questions at tbird@lplks.org.

Community Blood Drive

THU | Oct 6 | 12–4PM | Auditorium

Appointments preferred, but not required.

SIGN UP: savealifenow.org/group

ENTER CODE: TPU9

The Community Blood Center must collect almost 600 units of blood daily to meet the needs of area hospital patients. As there is no substitute for blood, they rely on volunteer donors like you to supply the life-saving blood and blood components to hospitals in Kansas and Missouri. If you have any questions, email Marc at: mveloz@lplks.org.

SMART Recovery

WED | 5–6:30 PM | Mtg Room C & Zoom

FRI | 5–6:30 PM | Zoom

Self Management and Recovery Training supports individuals who've chosen to abstain or are considering abstinence from any type of addictive behavior, such as

substance abuse or gambling addiction. Learn to change self-defeating thinking, emotions, and actions. Work towards long-term quality and satisfaction. No need to register. Email Theresa: tbird@lplks.org.

Medicare Open Enrollment Counselor Appointments

Oct 15–Dec 7 | Various locations

Appointment booking starts Oct 1

In 2021, our partners over at the Senior Resource Center saved 931 area residents \$548,000! Nearly everyone reported some individual savings and the SRC wants to help you save money, too. Meet with a counselor by phone, Zoom, or in person to review Part D Prescription Drug & Advantage Plans. Book appointments starting Oct 1 here:

ONLINE

YourSRCDouglasCo.as.me/OEP

EMAIL

Medicare@YourSRC.org

CALL

785-727-7872

IN PERSON

Senior Resource Center, 745 Vermont

TECHNOLOGY

Tech Club

THU | Sep 8, Oct 6 | 4–5 PM | Zoom

THU | Nov 3 | 3–4 PM | Zoom

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Join our Tech staff and have your pressing tech questions answered. Heads up! Our November program begins at 3 PM.

Sep 8 | iPhone FAQs

Oct 6 | Android FAQs

Nov 3 | Online contracts & eSignatures

SOUND+VISION Basics

THU, SUN | Sep 8, Nov 6 | 4:30–5:30 PM

S+V Studio

Did you know there's a free audio/visual recording studio at the library?! Take a tour and find out how to book a session. We'll cover microphones, popular A/V software, and lots more.

Modular Synthesis 101

THU | Oct 6 | 4:30–5:30 PM | S+V Studio

Check out the library's SOUND+VISION red custom synthesizer. Learn what the different modules do, how to connect them, and how to get started using this one-of-a-kind instrument.



RETIREMENT BOOT CAMP

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Coffee Break

FRI | Sep 2–Nov 18 | 10 AM | Zoom

No program Nov 25

Brew up a cup o' joe and hang out in our weekly coffee group via Zoom. There is no agenda, so topics can range from books to bierocks. It's a great place to get local suggestions and meet new friends. Sign up with Kathleen: kmorgan@lplks.org.

Tech Club

THU | Sep 8, Oct 6 | 4–5 PM | Zoom

THU | Nov 3 | 3–4 PM | Zoom

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Join our Tech staff and have your pressing tech questions answered. Heads up! Our November program begins at 3 PM.

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Nov 3 | Online contracts & eSignatures

Dessert & A Movie

TUE | Sep 20 | 7–8 PM

WED | Oct 19, Nov 9 | 7–8 PM

Zoom

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Whip up your favorite dessert and join friends to discuss the Kanopy film of the month. This cool movie streaming service is free with your library card. Many thanks to Jeff and Mary Weinberg for making Kanopy possible for all library patrons!

Wine Around the World

THU | Sep 15, Oct 13 | 5–6 PM | Zoom

WED | Nov 16 | 5–6 PM | Zoom

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Join the library's wildly popular wine-tasting group! Each month, we take a virtual tour of one of the world's wine regions with Steve Wilson of City Wine Market. Wine purchases are optional.

Gray Anatomy

DATES & TIMES TBA | Zoom

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Our popular series with LMH Health is back! Learn about what to expect as you age from a Lawrence medical expert. We talk about a new health topic each month.

Sep | Physical Therapy: Live Longer & Stronger

Oct | Teeth & Gums

Nov | LMH Patient Portal

Pop Up Programs!

DATES & TIMES TBA | In person

Join us for spur-of-the-moment field trips, bingo sessions, video game tournaments, and other fun stuff! It's a great way to get to know your community and make new friends. Questions? Email Kathleen for info: kmorgan@lplks.org.

TEENS

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zone

Teen events are for youth in grades 6–12

Discord

Grades 6–12 | Ongoing | Discord

The Teen Zone Discord server is a safe place where Lawrence teens can make new friends, share art and writing, and play games. It's a great way to visit the Teen Zone without leaving the house! Get an invite at lplks.org/teen-discord-server.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Grades 6–12

SUN | Sep 11, Oct 2, Nov 5 | 1–2 PM

Readers' Theater

Your voice matters! Join TAB to help make the Teen Zone an even better place for humans your age. We meet every first Sunday that the library is open. Apply: lplks.org/teen-advisory-board.

Teen Zone Expanded

Grades 6–12 | WED | 2–4 PM

Auditorium or Readers' Theater

On early-release Wednesdays, head to the library for gaming, movies, crafts, and STEAM activities. Check our online calendar for each week's events.

Rainbow Club

Grades 4–8 | 2nd MON | 4–5 PM

Readers' Theater

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Calling all LGBTQ+ kids and allies! Let's hang out, support each other, and build our community.

D&D Club

Grades 6–12 | 1st & 3rd THU | 4–6 PM

Readers' Theater

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

No session Sep 1

Hail and well met! Transform yourself into a magical character and join in the epic adventure for 5th edition D&D. All are welcome, from seasoned adventurers to

first-timers. A finished character sheet is required to play. Email Margo for more info: mmoore@lplks.org.

Chess Club

Ages 5–18

1st SAT | 2–3:30 PM | Readers' Theater

Learn the basics or practice for an upcoming tournament at our chess club. Children under 10 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. A limited supply of chess sets will be available.

Hobbit Party Take & Make

Grades 6–12

THU | Sep 22 | All day | TBD

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

It's time to party hobbit style and that means comfort. Celebrate Frodo and Bilbo's birthday with a cozy take-home craft and things all hobbits love: food, drink, and merriment.

Karaoke

Grades 6–12

FRI | Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov 11 | 4–5 PM

Auditorium or Readers' Theater

Are you good at singing? Terrible at singing? Mediocre, but just want to sing as loud as you can? This is the perfect place for you. Join Teen Services staff for a chance to belt out your favorite (library appropriate) tunes.

Gaming Tournament

Grades 6–12

SAT | Sept 10, Oct 8, Nov 12 | 2–4 PM

Readers' Theater

Compete against fellow gamers in our monthly gaming tournament with *Super Smash Bros. Ultimate*, *Mario Kart 8*, and more.

Right to Read Celebration

Grades 6–12

WED | Sep 21 | 2–4 PM | Auditorium

Explore the world of banned books with games, crafts, book giveaways, snacks, and more. We'll talk about some of the books that have been targeted and celebrate our freedom to read.

Teen Halloween Bash

Grades 6–12

SAT | Oct 29 | 4–6 PM | Auditorium

Join Teen Zone staff for the spooktacular event of the season! Show off your costume for a chance at a prize in our first-ever Halloween Costume contest. Make crafts, eat snacks, and enjoy an evening of creepy fun.

KIDS

SPECIAL EVENTS

NEW! Parent Support Group

Parents and kids ages 0-5

WED | 6:30-7:30 | Readers' Theater

Whether you want to make new parent friends, connect with resources, or just get out of the house, our weekly support group for parents with young kiddos is judgment free and full of empathy!



Right to Read Celebration

Ages 8-11

WED | Sep 21 | 2-4 PM | Auditorium

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Pokémon 101

Ages 6-12

WED | Sep 28 | 4-5:30 PM | Auditorium

Want to learn how to play the Pokémon card game? How about finding new friends to play with? Join us to learn the basics of the game and then play!



Kids' Action Club Summit

Ages 8-11

WED | Oct 5, 12, 19, 26 | 4-5 PM

Readers' Theater

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

We're welcoming new members and getting ready for the future with our first-ever Summit! If you want to help make life in Lawrence better, join us to meet local leaders and new friends, brainstorm, and carry out amazing service projects both big and small.

Pokémon Free Play

Ages 6-11

FRI | Oct 14 | 4-5:30 PM

WED | Nov 16 | 4-5:30 PM

Readers' Theater

Do you love playing the Pokémon? Join us to learn more about the game and have time to play!

Pet World: Creepy Crawlies

Ages 5-11

FRI | Oct 21 | 2-3:30 PM | Auditorium

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Meet and learn about a variety of scaly, slimy, and unique critters from Pet World!

Movie: Kiki's Delivery Service

Ages 5-11

MON | Oct 24 | 2-4 PM | Auditorium

What better way to celebrate the spooky season than with this adorable Ghibli classic, cute snacks, and a chance to show off your Halloween costume?



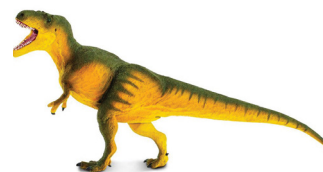
Spooky Dance Party for Littles

Ages 0-5

MON | Oct 31 | 10:30-11:30 AM

Auditorium

Fun tunes and spooky jams will fuel a costume-filled dance party! Dance with LPL storytellers with the perfect music for littles. Guaranteed to be boppy and hoppy. We encourage you to come in costume!



Dinovember with the KU Natural History Museum

Ages 5-11

WED | Nov 9 | 4-5 PM | Auditorium

Join the KU Natural History Museum for a look at how dinosaurs walk, use their claws, are named, and more. See and touch real dinosaur fossils and replicas. You can also make a cast of a fossil to take home!

KIDS' CLUBS

Rainbow Club

Grades 4-8

2nd MON | 4-5 PM | Readers' Theater

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

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Kids' Action Club

Ages 8-11

WED | Sep 7, Nov 2 | 4-5 PM

Readers' Theater

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Want to help make life in Lawrence better? Join Kids' Action Club to meet local leaders and new friends, and carry out some amazing service projects both big and small. Let's see what cool things we can do!

Lego Club

Ages 5-11

SAT | Sep 24, Oct 22, Nov 26 | 2-3:30 PM

Readers' Theater

Homeschool Sessions

WED | Sep 14, Oct 12, Nov 9 | 11 AM-12:30 PM

Auditorium

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Bring your imagination, build with our Legos, and display your creations at the library until the next session!

Tween Club

Grades 3-5

1st & 3rd FRI | 4-5 PM | **Readers' Theater**
Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

A club just for tweens where you meet up, hang out, play games, and craft with friends.

Chess Club

Ages 5-18

1st SAT | 2-3:30 PM | **Readers' Theater**
Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Learn the basics or practice for an upcoming tournament at our chess club. Kids under 10 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Available chess sets are limited.

Tail Wagging Readers

Ages 5-11

2nd SAT | 10:30-11:30 AM
4th SUN | 1-2 PM

Readers' Theater

Practice reading and build your reading confidence with a warm, furry friend from Loving Paws Animal Therapy. Bring your own book to read or pick one at the library.

Mysterious Mustache Book Club

Ages 8-11

SUN | Sep 18, Oct 16, Nov 20 | 1:30-2:30 PM
Readers' Theater

Free, but register online or at 785-843-3833

Love getting into the world of a book? Want to chat with other book lovers and be part of a book club? Get a copy of our book club title at the children's desk or email Jenny at jcook@lplks.org.

STORYTIMES

Starts Sep 3 and will be on break Sep 29-30

Kansas Reads to Preschoolers

Ages 0-5

We're bringing you special stories and a downtown Story Stroll to highlight the importance of reading to your kiddos. This year we're reading *Not a Box* by Antoinette Portis. If you register to participate on Beanstack, you'll be entered in a drawing for a gift certificate to The Toy Store.

**Nov 1-30 | Downtown Story Stroll
Library & Mass Street**

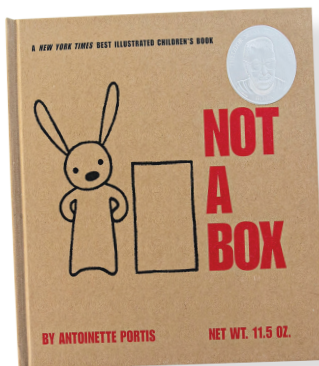
Start at the library and take a stroll downtown while you read *Not a Box* in store windows located on Mass Street. Pick up a map from the children's desk or grab one online.

Nov 13-19 | Storytimes Readers' Theater

Is a box just a box? Could it be a rocketship or castle? Discover the power of imagination at our storytimes this week and get your own copy of *Not a Box* by Antoinette Portis while supplies last.

Nov 14 | Dance Party for Littles 10:30-11:30 AM | Auditorium

Fun tunes and funky jams will fuel a dance party for the ages! Dance with LPL storytellers with the perfect music for littles!



Sing & Rhyme Storytime

All ages

MON | 6:30-7 PM | **Readers' Theater**
No session Sep 5

Explore movement, play, and the joy of active music-making with Singing Sarah.

Library Storytime

Ages 3+ with their families

TUE, FRI | 10:30-11:15 AM
THU | 6:30-7:15 PM

Readers' Theater

No sessions Sep 29-30 and Nov 24-25

Join Ms. Linda as she shares her favorite stories and rhymes.

Books & Babies

Birth-23 months with their families

TUE | 6-6:30 PM
WED | 10:30-11 AM
Readers' Theater

Bounce and sing to stories with Anita.

Toddler Storytime

Toddlers with their families

WED | 6-6:30 PM
THU | 10:30-11 AM
Readers' Theater

Stories, songs, and MORRISTHE MONKEY! The perfect wiggly storytime for toddlers.

Cuentacuentos/Spanish Storytime

All ages

Todas las edades son bienvenidas

1st SAT | 10-11 AM | **Various Parks**
3rd SAT | 10:30-11:15 AM | **Readers' Theater**

En el primer sábado de mesa, vamos a unirnos con Padres como Maestros en uno de nuestros parques locales. En el tercer sábado de mesa, nos reuniremos en la biblioteca. ¡Cualquiera que sea el lugar, disfruta de algunas historias y canciones en Español con Trevin y nuestros amigos de Padres como Maestros! Visite nuestro calendario en línea para lugares exactas. *(Whatever the place, enjoy some stories and songs in Spanish with Trevin and our friends from Parents as Teachers! Check our online calendar for exact locations.)*

Multicultural Storytime

All ages

2nd & 4th SUN | 3:30-4:30 PM
Readers' Theater

No session Nov 27

Stories and songs with guest presenters that highlight a featured language or culture.

Deja's Reading Rainbow

Parents and kids ages 0-5

SUN | Oct 2 | 3:30-4:30 PM | **Auditorium**

Join our host Deja Brooks as she reads and performs stories embracing our local LGBTQ+ community and celebrating families of all kinds. Deja's Reading Rainbow is about love and friendship, being different and belonging, being unique and accepted, colors, rainbows, and, of course, fun!

Take Me for A Ride Storytime

Ages 3+ with their families

TUE, FRI | Oct 11 & 14 | 10:30-11:30 AM
Auditorium

A special storytime all about the city bus! Come hear stories and songs, make a craft, and take a short ride around downtown on the T.



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