

# **APRIL**<sup>8</sup> PROGRAMS & EVENTS



**© REGISTRATION REQUIRED** Register online, at the library, or call 608-758-6585

# **FOR KIDS & FAMILIES**

# **STORYTIMES**

April 2 - May 2

No registration necessary.

#### **BABIES IN THE LIBRARY**

Wednesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m. • April 2-30 PROGRAM ROOM

#### WIGGLE AND RHYME STORYTIME

Thursdays at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m. • April 3-May 1 **PROGRAM ROOM** 

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#### **SENSE-ATIONAL STORYTIME**

Fridays at 9:45 a.m. • April 4 - May 2

**PROGRAM ROOM** 

#### WE PLAY: FARKLE for kids ages 8-11 Thursday, April 3, 3:30-5 p.m.

CHILDREN'S ROOM

Stop in to learn and play our new KidSpace games! Participants may join or leave at any time.

#### **READ-IN WITH MARY** for kids

Mondays from 3:30-5 p.m.

April 7-28

CHILDREN'S ROOM

Settle in for some cozy silent reading with Mary the Comfort Dog.

#### **COMMUNITY EXPLORERS** for kids ages 6-12

Mondays at 4 p.m.

**April 7: FIREFIGHTERS & PARAMEDICS** 

**April 14: SANITATION WORKERS** 

LAB 316

Meet real-life heroes from the City of Janesville and learn about how they spend their days helping our community and explore what they drive to do it. Bring your questions with you and be ready to explore! Great for children aged 6-12 but all ages and families are welcome.

#### **OTWEEN TEAM:**

**COLOR OUR WORLD - ART!** for ages 9-12 Monday, April 21, from 3:30-5 p.m.

**PROGRAM ROOM** 

Create art for the Children's Room to display during our Summer Library Challenge.

#### **COLOR OUR WORLD**

**ART CAMP** for kids ages 5-11

Monday, April 28, 3:30-5 p.m.

**PROGRAM ROOM** 

Create art for the Children's Room to display during our Summer Library Challenge. Dress for mess!

# SPRING READING **CHALLENGE** for ages 5-12



#### **READING MENAGERIE: MEET THE DRAGONS**

April 1 - May 24

Start building your magical creature menagerie!

For every 30 minutes of reading you'll earn a Dragon egg card. Keep reading to evolve your egg.

Pick up your Reading Tracker at the Children's Desk and start collecting cards.

Four new dragons introduced each month!

#### **READING MENAGERIE: TOURNAMENT DAY**

Thursday, April 24, 3:30 p.m.

CHILDREN'S ROOM

Test your skills using your Dragon Cards and keep all the cards you earn. You must have at least three cards to participate.

# **AT OUR BRANCH**

**HPL Express at Uptown Janesville** 2500 Milton Avenue

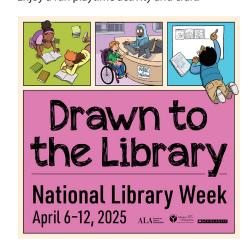
**NEW! MONDAY MEET-UP:** 

**PLAYTIME & CRAFT** for kids & families

Mondays from 11-11:30 a.m. • April 7-28

**HPL EXPRESS** 

Enjoy a fun playtime activity and craft.



# **FOR ALL AGES**

#### **WOOD CARVING DEMO** Saturday, April 5, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Visit with the members of the Rock River Valley Woodcarvers and learn the skills of their craft.

#### **CHESS CLUB**

Saturdays from 1-3 p.m. • April 5-26

WOODRUFF ROOM

Play, learn, or watch with Peter Webster, a chess life-master and former WI State Champion. Chess sets available or bring your own.

#### **BOOKMOBILE MEET & GREET** Wednesday, April 9, 9-11 a.m.

LIBRARY CIRCLE DRIVE

Visit HPL's Bookmobile in celebration of National Library Outreach Day. Tour inside the bookmobile and learn where we will be visiting this summer.

#### **ADOPT-A-PET AT THE LIBRARY**

Wednesday, April 9, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Meet adorable adoptable pets from the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin.

#### PEEPS®-O-RAMA for all ages Saturday, April 12, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

**PROGRAM ROOM** 

Create a diorama using Peeps® mallow treats and drop it off starting April 9! Dioramas must be turned in by 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 12. Vote for your favorites on April 12! Favorites in each category will receive a Peeps® themed award (more than one entry is welcome). Find details on our website!

#### **SUSTAINABLE LIVING FAIR** Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

in partnership with the CoJ Sustainable Janesville Committee

Learn about sustainable and healthy living with hands-on learning and activities for kids and giveaways. For details contact Kate Jackson at jacksonk@ci.janesville.wi.us or call 608-373-6035.

#### **COMMUNITY BOOK BLANKET**

Crochet a granny square inspired by a book you read in 2025 and we'll turn it into a beautiful blanket! Squares are due November 29. For all ages!

Don't know how to crochet

or you're short on supplies? Drop in to a **Casual Crafters** program for help!



# **FOR TEENS & ADULTS**



**REGISTRATION REQUIRED** Register online, at the library, or call 608-758-6600.

#### **POETRY PATHWAY** for teens & adults April 1-30

in partnership with City of Janesville Recreation Division Celebrate National Poetry Month! Submit an original poem for a chance to be featured in the new installation this summer along the Ice Age Trail in Palmer Park. Visit our website to submit your poem online, or stop in to pick up an entry form.

#### **CHAIR YOGA** for teens & adults

# Wednesday, April 2, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Join us for a gentle yoga class perfect for anyone with mobility or balance challenges, or for those who work while seated. Chair provided.

#### TECHNOLOGY HELP **OFFICE HOURS** for adults

Thursdays at 11 a.m. & 12 p.m. April 3 & 17

HPL EXPRESS | UPTOWN JANESVILLE 2500 MILTON AVE.

#### Wednesdays at 10 & 11 a.m. **April 9 & 23**

STUDY ROOM 1

Get help with a new device, troubleshoot tech problems, or learn a new skill! Call 608-758-5833 to register. Walk-ins are welcome.

#### NEW! STORYTELLING CIRCLE for adults Saturday, April 5, 2-3:30 p.m.

FIREPLACE ROOM

Learn about storytelling, hear some tales, and have an opportunity to tell, all while having tea and cookies by the fireplace.

#### **MONDAY NIGHT MAGIC** for teens & adults Mondays from 5-7 p.m. • April 7 & 21 LAB 316

Play the popular game, Magic: The Gathering!

#### TEEN DUNGEONS & DRAGONS (YOUNG ADVENTURERS CAMPAIGN)

for ages 11-13

#### Tuesday, April 8, 4:30-6 p.m.

FRIENDS COMMUNITY ROOM

Learn the basics and play with friends!

#### **EVENING YOGA** for teens & adults Wednesday, April 9, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Enjoy beginner-friendly gentle Vinyasa Yoga. Bring your own mat, towel, props, and water.

# **CASUAL CRAFTERS** for teens & adults

#### Thursday, April 17, 5:30-7 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Bring your current project or start a new one, use library craft supplies, and meet other crafters.

#### **©** ESCAPE ROOM:

**ESCAPE FROM OZ** for teens & adults

Friday, April 18, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, April 19, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday, April 21, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

FRIENDS COMMUNITY ROOM

Grab your team of up to 8 and reserve your spot now!

## **MEW!** BREASTFEEDING VILLAGE: **EDUCATION & COMMUNITY FOR NEW MOMS**

Fridays from 12:30-2:30 p.m. April 18 & May 16

PROGRAM ROOM

presented by Rock County Nutrition Health Associates (WIC) Learn the 'How To's' of nursing and pumping. Register with Nutrition and Health Associates by phone at 608-754-3722.

## **ONEW! MEMORY CAFÉ** for adults 3rd Mondays from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. April 21 & May 19

PROGRAM ROOM

Individuals with memory loss and their care partners are invited to gather in a safe and welcoming space to connect, find support, and enjoy a sense of community and purpose. Register by calling ADRC's Dementia Care Specialist Karen Tennyson at 608-741-3615.

#### **GARDENING FOR HUMMINGBIRDS** for adults

Tuesday, April 22, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

presented by Julie Hill, Horticultural Outreach Specialist, UW-Madison, Division of Extension Unravel the secrets of attracting the "jewels of the garden."

#### **BORROWING BASICS: BUILDING AND FIXING YOUR CREDIT SCORE** for adults

Tuesday, April 29, 5:30 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

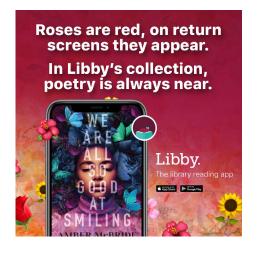
presented by Associated Bank

Learn valuable tips on how to establish a solid credit foundation, ways to repair a damaged credit score, and the essentials of borrowing responsibly.

#### **PICKLEBALL IS EVERYWHERE!** for adults Tuesday, April 29, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

presented by the Janesville Pickleball Club Explore the interesting history of this sport and its recent surge in popularity. Learn pickleball basics, including the rules and etiquette of the game.



# **BOOK CLUBS**



#### **WELLNESS BOOK CLUB** for teens & adults Monday, April 7, 6:30 p.m.

FIREPLACE ROOM *Try Softer* by Aundi Kolber

May title: Why Has Nobody Told Me This Before? by Julie Smith



#### **NON-FICTION KNOWS NO BOUNDS** for adults

Wednesday, April 16, 10 a.m. JP CULLEN ON DELAVAN DR. Eiffel's Tower by Jill Jonnes May title: Studying Wisconsin

by Martha Bergland



## **MONDAYS ARE MURDER** for adults Monday, April 21, 1:30 p.m. WOODRUFF ROOM

The Life We Bury by Allen Eskens May title: Better the Blood by Michael Bennett



#### **READING ON** THE ROCK for adults Thursday, April 24, 6:30 p.m. WOODRUFF ROOM Weyward by Emilia Hart May title: The Berry Pickers

by Amanda Peter





#### **COMING IN MAY: SAVOR THE BOOK COOKBOOK CLUB** for adults Tuesday, May 13, 6 p.m. PROGRAM ROOM

Come Hungry: Salads, Meals, and Sweets for People Who Live to Eat by Melissa Ben-Ishay CELEBRATE YOUR INNER CHEF! Test recipes, post pics of your success (don't forget to tag us!), then bring your favorites to share at our meetup.

# **HEDBERG HARMONY**

Enjoy live music from local musicians in the Fireplace Room. Visit our calendar for a full list.

**SOUTHERN WI DULCIMER CLUB** Saturday, April 12, 10 a.m.

**ROCK RIVER STRING BAND** Monday, April 21, 2 p.m.

# LIBRARY ART, EXHIBITS & DISPLAYS

Oil & Acrylics by Anthony DiNicola **Acrylic with Collage** by Alicia Reid

**China Painting** by the Capital Artists China Painting Club

Photography by Janesville Camera Club