

A decorative header for the month of April 2024. It features a central oval containing the text "April 2024" in a dark green font. The oval is surrounded by various floral and leaf motifs in shades of green, pink, orange, and white, including daisies, tulips, and oak leaves.

April 2024

Tuesday, April 2nd -

Teen Bring Your Own Book Club at 5 pm

Want to share your favorite books of what you're currently reading with others? Join the Bring Your Own Book Club! For grades 6-12. BYO Book Club meets monthly on the first Tuesday of each month at 5 pm. This month we will be meeting on April 2nd.

Wednesday, April 3rd -

Adult Craft Night: Paper Bird Garland at 6 pm

We invite you to join us for our April Craft Night on Wednesday, April 3rd at 6 pm. We'll be making Paper Bird Garlands. Registration is limited, so please email Ali Jones at ajones@jaxpl.org or call 217-243-5435 ext. 235 to register!

The Hidden Gifts of Visual Thinkers with Dr. Temple Grandin (Zoom Event) at 7 pm

Join us for a zoom event with Dr. Grandin, one of the world's most accomplished and well-known adults with autism. Dr. Grandin will be speaking on Wednesday, April 3rd at 7 pm on Zoom and there will be an in-person viewing of the stream at the JPL. Call 217-243-5435 to register.

Sunday, April 7th -


Music Under the Dome: Alex Malaimare, Barbara Hedlund, & Tatiana Shustova at 4 pm

The Jacksonville Public Library is pleased to be hosting Alex Malaimare, Barbara Hedlund, & Tatiana Shustova for a string trio recital on Sunday, April 7th at 4 pm under the Dome! We hope you'll join us!

Monday, April 8th -

Solar Eclipse from 12:30 - 3:30 pm

Please join us in viewing the solar eclipse on April 8th! Viewers will be provided at the event while supplies last. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This program will start at 12:30 and last until 3:30. We hope to see you then!

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Wednesday, April 10th -

Adult Book Club at 6 pm

The Jacksonville Public Library Page Turners will be discussing "The Woman They Could Not Silence" by Kate Moore at this month's Adult Book Club meeting on Wednesday, April 10th at 6 pm. The Woman They Could Not Silence is a local harrowing true story of a woman wrongfully committed to the Jacksonville State Asylum in the 1860s. Stop by the library and check out your copy today!

Friday, April 12th -

Lego Club from 2:30 - 5 pm

Calling all builders! This month's Lego Club meeting is coming up! Join us at the library on April 12th to show off your Lego skills. Stop in anytime between 2:30 and 5:00 PM. This month's challenge is to build a rocket ship!

Saturday, April 13th -

Bluey Party from 10 am - 12 pm

Wackadoo! Join us on Saturday, April 13th from 10 am to 12 pm for a for real life Bluey Party. We'll have Keepy Uppy, Featherwand, fairy bread, and more Bluey-themed fun! We hope to see you there!

Wednesday, April 17th -

Movie Night: 42 at 6 pm

Join us on Wednesday, April 17th at 6 pm to help the Jacksonville Public Library kick off the 2024 baseball season with a viewing of 42 - a movie about the great Jackie Robinson (Chadwick Boseman) and the legendary Brooklyn Dodgers manager Branch Rickey (Harrison Ford) -- whose brave stand against prejudice forever changed the world by changing the game of baseball. Let's PLAY BALL!

Rated PG-13 for thematic elements including violence, drug use, and language.



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Thursday, April 18th -

Author of the Year Reception at 7 pm

The Friends of the Jacksonville Public Library invite you to join us when we announce our Author of the Year contest winners on Thursday, April 18th at 7 pm in the Jacksonville Public Library meeting room. The winners will read their winning poetry and prose and light refreshments will be served.

Thursday, April 25th -

Forest Park Owls: Hidden in Plain Sight at 6:30 pm

Join us on Thursday, April 25th at 6:30 pm for a special program, Forest Park Owls: Hiding in Plain Sight with Mark H.X. Glenshaw. Mark H.X. Glenshaw is an award-winning naturalist who has closely observed and documented the lives of Great Horned Owls in Forest Park, a large urban park in St. Louis, Missouri, since December 2005. Mark's talk will cover how he found these owls, basic facts about the species, and uses many of his photos and videos to illustrate the amazing behaviors of these beautiful birds. Admission is free! Hope to see you there!

Saturday, April 27th -

Saturday Storytime at 10 am

The Jacksonville Public Library is adding a special storytime at 10 am on the last Saturday of each month! Join us for stories, songs, and crafts! This month, Saturday Storytime will be on April 27th!

Sunday, April 28th -

Music Under the Dome: Nichol DelGiorno at 4 pm

Join us for our next Music Under the Dome as we welcome back Nichol DelGiorno on Sunday, April 28th at 4 pm under the rotunda! She will be performing works written or adapted for a small, one-manual pipe organ. The concert will feature the 4-stop Brunzema Prortative Organ, or "Kisten Orgel" - a small pipe organ with a single manual keyboard. The program will include works by Sweelinck, Brahms, and Bach, as well as, Renaissance dance music and other selections.



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Teen Advisory Board - Join TAB to help us make the library a better place for teens! We'll be meeting every other Thursday at 5 pm! In April we're meeting on the 11th and 25th. Please email Courtney at clangdon@jaxpl.org or Brittany at boverby@jaxpl.org with questions!

Mindful Movement - Grab a towel and join Jeannie Hemphill for a mindful movement class. Learn the basics of mindful movement with an introduction to balance, finger/wrist exercises, shoulder rolls and more. As long as there's enough interest, this class will continue so don't hesitate to stop by! This month classes will be held on April 1st, 15th, 22nd, and 29th from 4:30 - 5:30 pm in the meeting room.

Storytime - Join us for stories and a craft every Wednesday morning at 10 AM and every Wednesday afternoon at 3PM unless otherwise posted!

Baby Storytime - Join us at the library every Friday at 10 AM for Baby Storytime! This program, for caregivers and babies 0-24 months, is designed to encourage baby's early literacy skills through stories, songs, rhymes, and movement.