

February 2024

Tuesday, February 6th -

Bring Your Own Book Club at 5 pm

Want to share your favorite books or 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 February 6th at 5 pm.

A Conversation with Jerry Craft: From Mama's Boyz to New Kid and Beyond (Zoom event) at 7 pm

Learn about life, art, and telling your story with bestselling author, illustrator, and syndicated cartoonist, Jerry Craft. Join us for a conversation about his works and journey to success, including a drawing demo that will be fun for the whole family! To register, call 217-243-5435. Or you can join us in the Jacksonville Public Library meeting room where we will be hosting a live viewing of the stream.

Wednesday, February 7th -

Adult Craft Night: Air Dry Clay Gnomes at 6 pm

Join us Wednesday, February 7th at 6 pm for a fun night of crafting just for adults! We will be making gnomes with air dry clay. We hope you stop by! Registration for this event has closed due to all spots being filled. Be on the lookout for another great craft night in March!

Friday, February 9th -

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 February 9th to show off your Lego skills. Stop in anytime between 2:30 and 5:00 PM. This month's challenge is to build a cupcake!

Wednesday, February 14th

Adult Book Club at 6 pm

The Jacksonville Public Library Page Turners will be discussing "The River We Remember" by William Kent Krueger at this month's Adult Book Club meeting on Wednesday, February 14th at 6 pm - please join us for a fun evening of great conversation!

Teen Murder Mystery Party from 6-8 pm

You've been invited to the Heart's Valentine's Day Soirée at the Jacksonville Public Library! Join us on Wednesday, February 14th at 6 pm for a night of intrigue! For grades 6-12. Registration is limited. Please call 217-245-5345 or email Courtney at clangdon@jaxpl.org to register.

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Saturday, February 17th -

Young Explorers Club: Fossils from Illinois' Ancient Seas at 11 am
Learn how fossils are formed and how to identify fossils commonly found in our area. Students will see and handle fossils found in Illinois and take home a make-your-own fossil kit. Saturday, February 17th at 11 am at the Jacksonville Public Library.

The Jacksonville Public Library will be closed on Monday, February 19th for Presidents' Day

Tuesday, February 20th -

Romance & Regency with Bridgerton's Julia Quinn (Zoom Event) at 7 pm:
Join us on Tuesday, February 20th at 7 pm for a conversation with Julia Quinn! Julia Quinn, the #1 New York Times bestselling and award-winning romance author, has written close to 40 novels including her popular series about the Bridgerton family which was adapted into an Emmy-nominated series on Netflix. Her newest novel, Queen Charlotte, is co-written with television pioneer Shonda Rhimes. It's a powerful and romantic novel of Bridgerton's Queen Charlotte and King George III's great love story and how it sparked a societal shift.

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Thursday, February 22nd -

Movie Night: The Princess Bride at 6 pm

Stop in for our next movie night on Thursday, February 22nd at 6pm! We'll be watching The Princess Bride (rated PG). Popcorn and water will be provided! We hope to see you there! Rated PG for Mild themes, violence, sexual references and coarse language.

Saturday, February 24th -

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!

Sunday, February 25th -

Music Under the Dome: The Hilltop Collective at 4 pm

Join us for our next Music Under the Dome guests, The Hilltop Collective, on Sunday, February 25th at 4 pm under the Dome at the Jacksonville Public Library!

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Basic Computer Skills Class - Join us for a free series of workshops designed to teach you basic computer skills and vocabulary needed to help you advance in your education, employment, and daily life. Classes will be held on February 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th at 6pm in the Lincoln Land Community College satellite campus at 32 N Central Park. Registration is required as space is limited. Please call 217-243-5435 ext. 235 or email ajones@jaxpl.org to register.

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 February we'll be meeting on the 1st, 15th, and the 29th. 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 February 5th, 12th, and 26th 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.