January

The Jacksonville Public Library will be closed on Monday, January 1st for New Years Day

Wednesday, January 3rd -

Adult Craft Night: Snowflake Hangers at 6 pm

Stop in at the library on Wednesday, January 3rd at 6 pm for our next craft! We'll be making snowflakes from plastic hangers! Registration is limited - call 217.243.5435 ext 235 or email ajones@jaxpl.org to register! Hope to see you there!

Tuesday, January 9th -

Young Adult Book Club at 5 pm

Do you enjoy reading and want a like-minded group of people to discuss books with? Join the Young Adult Book Club at JPL. This month we will be meeting on January 9th at 5 pm.

Wednesday, January 10th -

Adult Book Club at 6 pm

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The Jacksonville Public Library Page Turners will be discussing "Before We Were Yours" by Lisa Wingate at this month's Adult Book Club meeting on Wednesday, January 10th at 6 pm - please join us for a fun evening of great conversation!

Thursday, January 11th -

Speculating Our Al Future Panel with Corry Doctrow, Ken Liu, and Martha Wells at 7 pm

Join us for a panel discussion featuring three best selling science fiction writers, Cory Doctorow, Ken Liu, and Martha Wells. They will discuss the promise, perils, and possible impacts that AI will have on our future, as well as AI in contemporary and future science fiction writing.

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.

Friday, January 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 January 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 penguin!

The Jacksonville Public Library will be closed on Monday, January 15th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Wednesday, January 17th -

Movie Night: Selma at 6 pm

Join us on Wednesday, January 17th at 6 pm for a showing of Selma! Snacks and water will be provided. Admission is free.

Rated PG-13 for brief strong language, a suggestive moment, disturbing thematic material, and violence.

Sunday, January 21st -

Music Under the Dome: Ensemble D'Amici at 4 pm

The Jacksonville Public Library is pleased to host the Ensemble D'Amici for our next Music Under the Dome! Join us on Sunday, January 21st at 4 pm under the dome.

Wednesday, January 24th -

Author Event with Philip Bradshaw: Your Food, My Adventure – One Farmer's Journey to Feed the World at 6 pm Join us as local author Philip Bradshaw discusses his book, Your Food, My Adventure on January 24th at 6pm in the JPL Meeting Room. Admission is free, make sure to stop by and listen as Phil shares his stories!

Wednesday, January 31st -Author Event with Tom Emery at 6:30 pm

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Join us on January 31st at 6:30pm as Carlinville, Illinois freelance writer and historical researcher Tom Emery discusses his upcoming title: The Morgan County History Reader. An accomplished freelance writer, articles with Emery's byline have appeared in over 150 newspapers. The recipient of fifteen awards from the Illinois State Historical Society, Tom is developing several large-scale historical projects, including a full-length anthology of the major Civil War battles of Missouri. We hope to see you there!

Teen Advisory Board - What do you want to see at your library? Join TAB to help us make the library a better place for teens! We'll be meeting every other Thursday at 5 pm! In January we'll be meeting on the 4th and the 18th. 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 January 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.