

OCTOBER 2024

Tuesday, October 1st

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 October 1st at 5 pm.

Wednesday, October 2nd

Adult Craft Night: DIY Book Witch at 6 pm -

It's spooky season! Join us for a special Halloween Adult Craft Night on Wednesday, October 2nd at 6 pm where we will be making witches out of books! We hope to see you there! Registration for this event is limited. Please email Ali Jones at ajones@jaxpl.org or call 217-243-5435 ext. 235 to register.

Tuesday, October 8th

Adult Book Club: Dracula at 6:30 pm -

The Jacksonville Public Library Page Turners will be discussing "Dracula" by Bram Stoker at this month's Adult Book Club meeting on Tuesday, October 8th at 6:30 pm - please join us for a fun evening of great conversation!

Wednesday, October 9th

Being Imperfect with Erika Sánchez (Zoom Event) at 7 pm -

Wednesday, October 9th at 7 pm on Zoom or there will be an in-person viewing of the stream at the Jacksonville Public Library. To register for Zoom at home, please contact the Jacksonville Public Library at 217-243-5435.

Friday, October 11th

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 October 11th to show off your Lego skills. Stop in anytime between 2:30 and 5:00 PM. This month's challenge is to build something spooky!

The Jacksonville Public Library will be closed on Monday, October 14th for Indigenous Peoples' Day!

Wednesday, October 16th

Author Book Signing Event with John C. Dailey at 7 pm -

Join us as we host local author John C. Dailey as he discusses his book, The Story of Gunnar Hansen. This event will be held on Wednesday, October 16th at 6 pm. Admission is free - hope to see you there!



Monday, October 21st

The Land and the People Hold Memories with Dr. Hallwas at 6 pm -
Join us on Monday, October 21st at 6pm for a special event with Dr. Hallwas. Admission is free, hope to see you there!

Tuesday, October 22nd

Raise Your Voice with Jason Reynolds at 7 pm -
Tuesday, October 22nd at 7 pm on Zoom or there will be an in-person viewing of the stream at the Jacksonville Public Library. To register for Zoom at home, please contact the Jacksonville Public Library at 217-243-5435.

Wednesday, October 23rd

Common Scams & ID Theft at 6 pm
Join Attorney General Kwame Raoul's Community Outreach Team for the presentation: Common Scams & Identity Theft, on Wednesday, October 23rd at 6 pm at the Jacksonville Public Library.

Saturday, October 26th

Sensory Sensitive Storytime at 10 pm -
This month on Saturday, October 26 at 10 am, the Jacksonville Public Library is offering a monthly storytime program that caters to children who might enjoy a more relaxed and slower-paced storytime. This program is designed specifically for neurodiverse children or those with sensory processing challenges, but all families are welcome to attend. This program is best suited for ages 3-7. Registration is required. Please email Courtney at clangdon@jaxpl.org or call the library at 217-243-5435 to register.

Encore Craft Class: DIY Book Witch at 2 pm -

Couldn't make it to craft class on Wednesday? No problem! Join us for a special Halloween Adult Craft Night on Saturday, October 26th at 2 pm where we will be making witches out of books! We hope to see you there! Registration for this event is limited. Please email Ali Jones at ajones@jaxpl.org or call 217-243-5435 ext. 235 to register.

Teen Fright Night at 6 pm -

Viewer beware you're in for a scare! Join us for a special after hours horror movie double feature for teens on Saturday, October 26th at 6 pm. All films are rated PG-13. Movies TBA!

Tuesday, October 29th

A Daunting Night of Monsters and Murder for Teens from 6-8 pm -

You're cordially invited to attend a Daunting Night of Monsters and Murder at the Jacksonville Public Library! Join us on Tuesday, October 29th 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.

Wednesday, October 30th

Dead People of Illinois with John Lynn at 6 pm -

Dead people - you can't live with them, and you can't live without them. Searching for dead people in all the right places, this "underground" presentation explores hundreds of Illinois cemeteries to find interesting graves and headstones, intriguing lives and deaths, and lots and "plots" of funny names. It's an opportunity for mortals to not only whistle past the graveyard, but to pause and enjoy the oddities of life and death while we're still on the right side of history. Warning: grave subject matter. Expiration date: inevitable. Services: pending.

D&D Club from 4 - 6 pm

Well met, traveler! The Jacksonville Public Library is looking for brave adventurers to join our party!

Group 1 meets: October 4th

Group 2 meets: October 18th

Our current session of D&D Club is full! Check our social media for updates or email Blaine at blainecoultas@gmail.com with questions regarding future sessions.

Teen Advisory Board - Join TAB to help us make the library a better place for teens! In October we will meet on the 3rd, 17th, and 31st! 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 October 7th and 21st 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.