The Library Lineup

LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES | SUMMER READING CHALLENGE PROGRAM GUIDE



- 🐦 Open to ALL AGES and full of fun reads, activities and prizes!
- Sign up and get a free Saltdogs baseball game ticket and a free entry to any City of Lincoln pool.
- It's simple: read for 10 hours, track your time in Beanstack or on a paper log and visit your library.
- Complete the challenge to earn free food, local activity coupons and a chance at grand prizes.



Join us at these places in the Lincoln area for storytimes featuring stories, movement, music and more.

All sessions are 30 minutes. Storytimes are geared toward children ages 5 and under, but all ages are welcome.

Prairie Pines Nature Preserve

Join us outside at Prairie Pines Nature Preserve, 3100 N 112th Street. You are welcome to bring blankets or towels for more comfortable seating. After storytime, attendees are invited to explore the trails and Nature Ninja Course. Admission to Prairie Pines is free.

06/06 FRI 10:30-11:00

International Quilt Museum

Join us at the International Quilt Museum, 1523 N 33rd Street, for a storytime that will explore the colors, shapes, texture and themes in quilts. Admission is free for storytime attendees.

06/12 THU 10:30-11:00

Sheldon Museum of Art

Join us inside the Sheldon, 12th & R Street, for an art-inspired storytime. Attendees are welcome to explore galleries after storytime. Admission to the Sheldon is free.

07/11 FRI 10:30–11:00

Larsen Tractor Museum

Join us at the Larsen Tractor Museum, 35th & Fair Street, for a tractor and farm-themed storytime. Admission is free for storytime attendees.

07/25 FRI 10:30-11:00

Splish Splash Storytime

Join us for storytime at a City of Lincoln pool! We'll read, sing, and dance together (like usual), then enjoy a half hour of free swim fun. Geared for ages five and under with their adult. This program is co-sponsored by City of Lincoln Libraries and Lincoln Parks and Recreation. Children two and under must wear a swim diaper. Children five and under must be within arm's reach of a parent or guardian. All children must be accompanied by someone 16 years of age or older.

Highlands Aquatic Center

5511 NW 12th Street

06/06 FRIDAY 10:00-11:00

Woods Spray Park

3200 J Street

06/13 FRIDAY 10:00-11:00

Ballard Pool

3901 N 66th Street

06/20 FRIDAY 10:00-11:00

Arnold Heights Pool

4000 NW 46th Street

06/27 FRIDAY 10:00-11:00

Star City Shores

4375 S 33rd Court

07/11 FRIDAY 10:00-11:00

University Place Aquatic Center

2000 N 48th Street

07/18 FRIDAY 10:00-11:00

Eden Pool

4400 Antelope Creek Road

07/25 FRIDAY 10:00-11:00

Irvingdale Pool

1900 Van Dorn Street

08/01 FRIDAY 10:00-11:00



Teen Paperback Swap

Looking for a new read? Join us for the teen paperback swap and bring your gently used books to trade! We'll have paperbacks to trade, awesome library swag, and information about summer reading.

University Place Park

2000 N 48th Street

06/18 WED 2:00-4:00

Irvingdale Pool

1900 Van Dorn Street

07/23 WED 2:00-4:00



YOUTH

Edgerton Explorit Center: Amazing Bubbles

Bubbles are lots of fun and educational! There will be no lack of bubble making and revealing the science of bubbleology. What are bubbles made of and why can't we make them out of plain water? What shapes do they come in? And best of all, have you ever been inside a bubble? Would you like to be?

06/03 TUE 1:30-2:15 ANDR 06/03 TUE 2:30-3:15 ANDR

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06/24 TUE 1:30-2:15 ANDR

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YOUTH Continued

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07/15 TUE 1:30-2:15 ANDR 07/15 TUE 2:30-3:15 ANDR

Ukes for You

The Lincoln Ukulele Group, aka The LugNuts, will perform a family-friendly concert featuring some of their most colorful selections.

07/24 THU 6:00-7:00 ANDR

Ukuleles can be checked out from Lincoln City Libraries!

Art in the Park

We're wrapping up Summer Reading at Lincoln City Libraries. Join us outside of the library for lots of arts, crafts, music, dance, and fun. Don't forget to pick up your Summer Reading prize coupons while you're here!

07/29 TUE 2:30-4:00 ANDR

TEENS

Teen Trivia

Think you know it all? Prove it! Join us for an afternoon of fun, challenging questions, and friendly competition...plus snacks!

06/02 MON 1:30-3:00 ANDR

Balloon Art for Teens

Erin, a balloon-folding expert, will show you the twists and turns to make your very own balloon art!

06/09 MON 1:30-3:00 ANDR

Teen Tie Dye

Let's color your world...well at least your pillowcase! All materials are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required. 06/23 MON 1:30–3:00 ANDR

Teen Button Making

Need some flair to add to your bag? A pin to say exactly how you feel? Use our button maker and your creativity to make your own perfect button!

06/30 MON 1:30-3:00 ANDR

TEENS Continued

Teen Food Frenzy

Back by popular demand: our food summer games! Jelly beans, donuts, and whip cream pies! Who will win the Gold this year? Space is limited. Registration is required.

07/14 MON 1:30-3:00 ANDR

Teen Bingo

Call your cousins, bring your brother, find a friend, and join us for a fun afternoon of BINGO just for TEENS! There will be snacks!

07/21 MON 1:30-3:00 ANDR

ADULTS

MahJong 101

Tiles for miles! Come learn to play this ancient game that never seems to go out of style. Perfect for beginners or players of any level. This program works best if you can attend the entire four week series.

06/04	WED	2:00-4:00	ANDR
06/11	WED	2:00-4:00	ANDR
06/18	WED	2:00-4:00	ANDR
06/25	WED	2:00-4:00	ANDR

Speed Creating

You've heard of speed dating, now try speed creating! Join others to create a unique canvas by spending a few minutes adding your touch at each easel. Space is limited. Registration is required.

06/12 THU 2:00-3:30 ANDR 06/12 THU 6:00-7:30 ANDR

Recycled Book Art

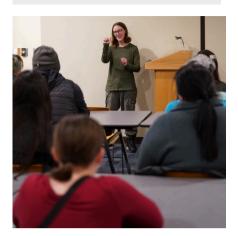
Join us this summer and let your creativity flourish! Turn old books into new pieces of art by folding, cutting, tearing, and painting: the possibilities are endless! We will provide a variety of supplies, books to be recycled, and ideas available for inspiration. We will be collecting the art through the Summer Reading Challenge at the end of July and showcase them at the libraries in August! Don't have the capacity to attend one of the in-person events? Ask about recycled books that you can take home to creatively remake yourself. Bring your finished product back to a library for participation in the art show. The art will be available for pickup after the showcase.

07/17 THU 6:00-7:00 ANDR



Downtown Parking is FREE:

- at meters on Sundays
- weekdays after 6 p.m.
- 1-hour free parking in Eagle Garage



ALL AGES

Beginner's American Sign Language (ASL)

Do you want to learn the third most commonly used language in the United States? Join library staff member, Shantell, on Saturday afternoons in June where she will teach the basics of American Sign Language. Participants will learn aspects of Deaf culture, sign formation, and fundamental grammar as well as how to sign the alphabet, numbers, personal information, basic conversational phrases, and more! Registration is required.

06/07	SAT	3:00-5:00	BMPL
06/14	SAT	3:00-5:00	BMPL
06/21	SAT	3:00-5:00	BMPL
06/28	SAT	3:00-5:00	BMPL

Storybook Character Bingo

Join us for Storybook Character Bingo, a fun-filled event for the whole family! Play bingo with a mix of classic and modern storybook characters, test your literary knowledge, and win prizes for all ages. Work together as a family to match beloved characters to their books while celebrating the joy of reading!

06/09 MON 6:00-7:00 BMPL

Songwriting/Composing Club — A Polley Music Library Program

Are you a songwriter or composer interested in sharing your work? Need help with writers block or a part that doesn't feel right? Join the Songwriting/Composing Club and meet other musicians in the area! Bring an instrument, your laptop, sheet music, lyrics, or just come to talk about what you're working on.

06/12	THU	6:00-7:00	BMPL
07/17	THU	6:00-7:00	BMPL

ALL AGES Continued

Kempcke/Wooden Duo Performance — A Polley Music Library Program

Guitarist Cole Kempcke and percussionist Kendall Wooden will visit the Polley Music Library to play a unique blend of jazz, metal, and experimental music. They'll also talk about their musical experiences and approach.

06/21 SAT 2:00-3:00 BMPL

Free Improvisation with Smith & Jessen — A Polley Music Library Program

Omaha's free improvising duo Smith & Jessen (drums and alto saxophone) will visit the Polley Music Library to lay down some hard-hitting improv. They'll talk about their musical approach and get into the improvisation scene in Nebraska and beyond.

07/19 SAT 2:00-3:00 BMPL



ALL AGES Continued

Family Board Game Night

Join us for Family Board Game Night! Enjoy a variety of games for all ages and skill levels, from classic favorites to exciting new challenges. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided. Bring the whole family for an evening of fun!

07/30 WED 5:00-7:00 BMPL

YOUTH

Build a Nest, Meet a Chick!

Join us for Build a Nest, Meet a Chick! A hands-on STEAM adventure where kids will learn how birds build nests, observe real baby chicks, and create their own cozy nests. Perfect for preschool and early elementary learners!

05/28 WED 6:00-7:00 BMPL

Edgerton Explorit Center: Sparks

Sparks fly and so does the fun when program attendees meet the Van de Graaff generator during this exploration of static electricity. Participants will learn how energy moves in simple experiments, some of which are even a little "shocking" and "hair-raising"...but always fun! 06/05 THU 10:30–11:15 BMPL

BETTER TOGETHER!

YOUTH

Our interactive storytime walk and Music Studio LNK's hands-on music exploration make a perfect pair for little learners! Families can enjoy a morning of movement, stories and songs during our downtown stroll, then head inside to discover the joy of rhythm and sound. With both programs running back-to-back every other week, it's an easy and enriching way to spend time together—stories, snacks, and songs all in one morning!

Stroller Stories

Join us for a fun and interactive outdoor storytime! Bring your little ones, grab your stroller or wagon, and enjoy a guided walk through downtown Lincoln filled with stories, rhymes, and songs. We'll meet by the N Street door on the south side of the library before setting off on our adventure. After the walk, stick around for iced coffee, snacks, and playtime in our children's area or courtyard.

06/03	TUE	9:45-10:45	BMPL
06/17	TUE	9:45-10:45	BMPL
07/01	TUE	9:45-10:45	BMPL
07/15	TUE	9:45-10:45	BMPL
07/29	TUE	9:45-10:45	BMPL

Music Exploration with Music Studio LNK — A Polley Music Library and Lincoln Arts Council Partnership Program

Music Studio LNK staff will lead little ones through a music exploration experience using a variety of instruments, musical styles, and movement - fostering a lifelong love for music, all within the safe environment of discovery. The program is designed to make music education fun, engaging, and accessible for children.

06/03	TUE	10:45-11:15	BMPL
06/17	TUE	10:45-11:15	BMPL
07/01	TUE	10:45-11:15	BMPL
07/15	TUE	10:45-11:15	BMPL
07/29	TUE	10:45-11:15	BMPL

The Music Exploration program is made possible in part by support from the Lincoln Arts Council.



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06/26 THU 10:30-11:15 BMPL

Exploring Insects with Big Gumdrop Outdoors

Kids will explore the hidden world of bugs and the clever ways animals use camouflage to survive. Through hands-on activities, they'll examine insects up close, search for them in nature, and discover how animals blend into their surroundings to stay safe.

06/30 MON 6:00-7:00 BMPL

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07/10 THU 10:30-11:15 BMPL

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07/17 THU 10:30-11:15 BMPL

YOUTH Continued

Pirate Adventure Party

Ahoy, mateys! Set sail for a swashbuckling adventure with pirate storytime, a treasure hunt, crafts, and games like Walk the Plank and Cannonball Toss. Dress in your best pirate gear and join the fun! Perfect for young buccaneers ages 3 - 8. 07/24 THU 2:00–3:30 BMPL

TEENS

Troll for Initiative: Dungeons & Dragons Gameplay

We're going on a fantasy adventure! Where are we going? We don't know yet, but we'll have fun doing it. This group is meant for beginner and intermediate level D & D players. We generally meet the second and fourth Monday of each month (with some variations). This group is limited to 10 active participants. Please contact Dungeon Master Scott C. at 402-441-8525 or 402-441-8530 to be added to a wait list for future openings.

06/09	MON	4:30-5:50	BMPL
06/23	MON	4:30-5:50	BMPL
07/07	MON	4:30-5:50	BMPL
07/28	MON	4:30-5:50	BMPL

Can You Kirigami?

What do you get when you combine origami with scissors? The traditional Japanese paper art Kirigami! Come learn to fold and cut a variety of basic designs like flowers, hearts, bows and more.

06/10 TUE 3:00-4:00 BMPL

Collage-A-Comic

Is it a comic? Is it a collage? It's Superm -Nevermind. Create your own four-panel comic by cutting out and arranging pictures and words. No previous experience required!

06/24 TUE 3:00-4:00 BMPL

String Into Things: Crochet Crash Course

This program will introduce the foundations of crochet; how to get started and basic stitches. We'll start a very simple project - a bookworm! Supplies will be provided. Registration is required.

07/08 TUE 3:00–4:30 BMPL

String Into Things: Pom-Pom Critters

Learn how to make pom-poms and turn them into creatures, both real and imaginary. No crocheting or knitting required. Supplies are provided. Registration is required.

07/15 TUE 3:00-4:30 BMPL

TEENS Continued

String Into Things: Fiber Fun

This String Into Things session is for new and experienced teen fiber artists to come together and work on projects in a laid-back atmosphere! Come finish a project started from another session, get inspired with a new project, or get some advice. Limited supplies will be available so feel free to bring your own!

07/22 TUE 3:00-5:00 BMPL

ADULTS

Just Desserts Mystery Fiction Discussion Group

Join us to read and discuss a selected mystery novel or author each month. After the main discussion, attendees are invited to take part in a round-robin sharing of other recent reads, with a focus on mysteries. Participants are welcome to bring a dessert to share; coffee and juice will be provided.

Annual "Series Share" – Read the first or second book in any new mystery series (2023–2025) and share your impressions.

05/29 THU 6:30–7:45 BMPL "None of This Is True" by Lisa Jewell, a 2023 standalone suspense thriller.

06/26 THU 6:30-7:45 BMPL "We Solve Murders" (2024), by Richard Osman, first in his new series.

7/31 THU 6:30-7:45 BMPL

Discover the Library! A Tour for English Language Learners

At Lincoln City Libraries, we have many resources to help English Language Learners and their teachers. Come for a visit and leave with a library card. Limited English speakers are welcome! Parking is free on Sundays. For more information, contact cknapp@lincoln.ne.gov. 06/08 SUN 2:00-3:00 BMPL

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Adult Story Time

Everyone likes being read to, so why should kids have all the fun? Join us for an evening of live readings (from short stories, novel fragments, poetry, plays, song lyrics, essays, etc.), plus music samples from Nebraska performers or composers, adult coloring sheets, and a reading list.

Fun Vacation Reads!

06/12 THU 6:30–7:30 BMPL The World of Sports, in both Fiction and Non-Fiction.

07/17 THU 6:30-7:30 BMPL

Lincoln City Libraries Storytime Schedule



Lincoln City Libraries Mobile Apps Menu



Search the Library catalog, place holds, renew materials, and manage your account on your mobile device. Store your library card and link multiple cards to one access point.



The Libby mobile app is designed to make borrowing and enjoying eBooks and audiobooks easier.



Hoopla provides streaming of movies, TV shows, music, eBooks, audiobooks, and comics to your browser or mobile device.



HelpNow for Homework provides free homework help, online tutoring, and preparation for standardized tests for students from kindergarten to adult in the areas of math, English, science, social studies, and more.



Lessons in foreign languages, plus English for speakers of other languages.



Track your reading to earn incentives at your library and stay motivated to read



TumbleBook Library is a collection of animated talking picture books that includes foreign language titles, Read-Alongs, and eBooks.

Bookmobile Schedule

Our Bookmobile brings individualized library service to areas throughout Lincoln and Lancaster County. The team brings books, movies, audiobooks, video games and more, serving all ages at a location near you! Internet access is available for on-board.

The Bookmobile visits:

- Towns and cities in Lancaster County
- Areas in Lincoln not close to existing libraries



Bennett Martin Public Library

ADULTS Continued

Recycled Book Art

Join us this summer and let your creativity flourish! Turn old books into new pieces of art by folding, cutting, tearing, and painting: the possibilities are endless! We will provide a variety of supplies, books to be recycled, and ideas available for inspiration. We will be collecting the art through the Summer Reading Challenge at the end of July and showcase them at the libraries in August! Don't have the capacity to attend one of the in-person events? Ask about recycled books that you can take home to creatively remake yourself. Bring your finished product back to a library for participation in the art show. The art will be available for pickup after the showcase.

06/15 SUN 2:00-4:00 BMPL 07/20 SUN 2:00-4:00 BMPL

B.Y.O.B(ook) Club

This is not your traditional book club! Join us with a title or titles from your own reading life that follow the monthly discussion prompt and add to your own "To Be Read" list with recommendations from the group. We also love to share our current reads when time allows! June prompt: a book with an LGBTQ+ main character.

06/18 WED 6:30-7:30 BMPL July's prompt: a "Good Book" with a "Bad Cover." 07/16 WED 6:30-7:30 BMPL

Crafternoon

Pressed Flower Paper Lanterns: Celebrate Summer by creating a simple, yet beautiful lantern using basic household items and pressed florals. All supplies will be provided, but space is limited. Registration is required. 06/22 SUN 2:00-4:00 **BMPL** 'Books Read This Year' Tally Board: Attention Readers! Join us to make a creative piece of home decor that will also track your reading and keep you motivated. We'll create a wooden wall hanging with changeable numbers that will help you keep track of how many books you've read during the year. All supplies will be provided, but space is limited. Registration is required.

07/27 SUN 2:00-4:00 BMPL



One Book One Lincoln



One Book One Lincoln is a community reading project sponsored by Lincoln City Libraries. The program encourages all adults in Lincoln and Lancaster County to read and discuss the same book at the same time. The goal of the program is to encourage reading and dialogue by creating a community-wide reading and discussion experience. Watch for more programs, and vote for your favorite of the Top Three titles this summer.

Bethany BookTalks

Each weekly BookTalks session features a different presenter sharing their reading recommendations. Registration is not required and drop-in attendance is encouraged. Learn more about the Top Ten One Book One Lincoln choices as Jen shares the inside scoop.

05/23

10:30-11:30

BETH

One Book One Lincoln Top Three at The Mill-Telegraph District

FRI

Join the fun on Memorial Day when we announce the Top Three titles for the 2025 One Book One Lincoln season! Come to The Mill-Telegraph, grab a beverage and mingle with other readers. The official announcement will be at 10:30 a.m. Copies will be available for checkout with your library card. See you there!

05/26

9:30-11:30

One Book One Lincoln Top Three BookTalk

Join us for a booktalk about our 2025 Top Three OBOL Finalists. Each title will be presented with insights on the book, author and how it made it to the Top Three. You do not need to have read the book to attend, this will be a 'spoiler free zone'! Watch for more One Book One Lincoln programs this summer!

06/17

TUE

6:30-7:30

WALT

Bethany Branch Library 1810 N. Cotner Blvd. | 402-441-8550

YOUTH

All Bethany youth programs will be held at Cotner Center, 1540 N. Cotner Blvd. Regular Storytimes will continue to take place at Bethany Branch.

Edgerton Explorit Center: Spaceflight Explorers

In this show, we investigate the science of spaceflight: how we get into space and where it begins, and how living and working in space is different compared to back on Earth. We'll even perform an astronaut training exercise! Don't be fooled by the subject. You'll learn a lot about science on Earth as well as in space! This program is held at: Cotner Center, 1540 N. Cotner Blvd.

06/02 MON 10:30-11:15 BETH

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05/23 FRI 10:30-11:30 BETH

Bethany BookChats

Book lovers are invited to come together and share information about what they have been reading recently. All are welcome! Fridays, May 30-July 25, excluding July 4.

FRIDAYS 10:30-11:30 BETH

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ALL AGES

Story Stones

Come create a stone that describes you. Using the first letter of your name, we will be finding a word that best describes you. We will have dictionaries and thesauruses available, but you are responsible for the creativity.

06/08 SUN 2:00-3:30 EISE

YOUTH

Summer Reading Kickoff Party

Come celebrate the start of Summer Reading with bubbles, chalk art, and more!

06/03 TUE 1:30-3:00 EISE

Edgerton Explorit Center: Raptorology - The Science of Raptors

This program gives you a rare opportunity to view birds of prey through a true educational experience. The session allows you to get up close with the Center's Screech Owl, American Kestrel, and Swainson's Hawk. You will learn the fun and fascinating facts of these amazing creatures including identification of raptors, their natural habitat and habits associated with their surroundings.

06/05 THU 2:30-3:15 EISE

Adventures in Art

Join us to explore your creativity and express your unique art style while also appreciating the works of famous artists. 06/10 TUE 1:30–3:00 EISE

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YOUTH Continued

Nostalgic Cinema - The Goonies

Goonies never say die! Join us for a 40th anniversary showing of this classic adventure comedy as Mikey, Mouth, Chunk, Data and the whole Goonies gang look for One-Eye Willy's treasure. Snacks will be provided.

06/17 TUE 1:30-3:30 EISE

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06/26 THU 1:30-2:15 EISE

Nostalgic Cinema - Back to the Future

Roads? Where we're going, we don't need roads! Join us for a 40th anniversary showing of the sci-fi classic, Back to the Future, as Doc Brown and Marty McFly travel back in time. Snacks will be provided.

07/01 TUE 1:30-3:30 EISE

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07/17 THU 2:30-3:15 EISE

Science of Art

Are art and science related? What does painting a picture have to do with science? A lot! Science explains how colors of paint are mixed. We will explore, observe, and experiment the ways art and science are interconnected.

07/22 TUE 1:30-3:00 EISE

Art of Engineering

Become an engineer for the afternoon by building a bridge, float a raft, or make other structures using household items.

07/29 TUE 1:30–3:00 EISE

Sprinkler Day

Finish summer with a splash and join us for sprinkler day. You bring the sun screen; we'll bring the fun!

07/31 THU 1:30-3:00 EISE

TEENS

Found Art

Clear out your junk drawer and bring all the flotsam to create found art! We will have supplies, but if you have trinkets you would like to immortalize, bring them with you.

06/16 MON 6:00-7:30 EISE

Book Art

Enhance your books! Using discarded books, we will be using a variety of mediums to create art whether it be page folding, blackout poetry, or edge-of-page painting.

07/21 MON 6:00-7:30 EISE

ADULTS

Technology Basics Workshop - Mobile Device Basics

This workshop is for those who have an Android or iOS mobile device and want to learn more about the basic functions. It will support learners to get connected, identify common apps, and build confidence in using their device safely. Grow your phone skills with this free technology basics workshop. Attendees will be awarded a certificate of completion. This digital literacy workshop is part of a national collaboration supported by the Public Library Association and AT&T. Using resources from Digitallearn.org and available through AT&T ScreenReady, workshops will help community members build skills and confidence using technology. Registration is required. 05/27 TUE 6:00-7:30 FISE

Recycled Book Art

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Bad Art Night for Adults

Make your worst art imaginable. Put your artistic skills (or lack thereof) to paint, draw, collage, or sculpt a piece of art in a one-hour time frame. The last 15 minutes will be an art gallery.

06/12 THU 6:15-7:30 EISE

ADULTS Continued

Once Upon a Crime with Guest Presenter Vivian from Eiseley

Do you love True Crime and local mysteries? Join us for all things criminal at Eiseley Branch Library where we will discuss current crime obsessions. Bring your favorite stories to share and get sentenced to FUN!

07/08 TUE 6:30-7:45 EISE

How to Read a Painting

Do you think a painting is just a pretty picture? Come learn the language of art and discover the stories that are hidden in your favorite images. Using visual literacy skills, explorations on symbolism, and historical context, we will show you how a picture becomes a novel.

07/24 THU 6:00-7:30 EISE

Gere Branch Library 2400 S. 56th St. | 402-441-8560

ALL AGES

Stuffed Animal Prints

I bet you've never tried this craft before! Bring an old, discardable teddy bear or stuffed animal from home, or use one from our (limited) collection, and we'll dip them in paint and "stamp" their prints on paper and poster board. The result: a unique poster, gift or memory. Join in on a one-of-a-kind experiment in creativity! Registration is required.

05/24 SAT 4:00-500 GERE

3D Showcase

Come visit our 3D Showcase and see what we've been making with our 3D printers! Projects include fidget toys, articulating creatures, miniatures, dice holders, geometric shapes, LED candle holders, bookmarks, etc. Your imagination is the limit!

05/28 WED 6:30-7:00 GERE

Family Fun Night: Ice Cream Social

Celebrate the start of summer with ice cream and popsicles (allergy-friendly options will be available). Then enjoy a variety of crafts, games, and activities that are fun for the whole family!

06/03 TUE 5:30-7:00 GERE

Ukulele Club

This four-part program (Wednesdays in June) will be an introduction to the ukulele that can help get beginners up and playing the ukulele.

06/04	WED	6:30-7:20	GERE
06/11	WED	6:30-7:20	GERE
06/18	WED	6:30-7:20	GERE
06/25	WED	6:30-7:20	GERE



YOUTH

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06/04	WED	2:00-2:45	GERE
06/04	WED	3:00-3:45	GERE

Camp Build-It

Hang out and explore the library's collection of LEGO bricks, KEVA planks, and other STEAM toys during this unstructured playtime.

06/05	THU	1:30-3:00	GERE
07/03	THU	1:30-3:00	GERE
07/17	THU	1:30-3:00	GERE
07/31	THU	1:30-3:00	GERE

Heavy Equipment Encounter

Meet in the library parking lot to explore some of the machinery used by Lincoln's Transportation and Utilities Department!

Camp Read-A-Lot

Join our storytellers as we share picture books, camp songs, STEAM activities, and crafts with school-age youth. Stories and activities will be relevant for early elementary students (K–2), but all ages are welcome. Daycare groups - please call 402-441-8560 to register in advance.

06/12	THU	1:30-2:30	GERE
06/26	THU	1:30-2:30	GERE
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06/25 WED 12:00-12:45 GERE

YOUTH Continued

Theater Arts Academy Preview:

These short program will feature performances by youth enrolled in the Theater Arts Academy at the Lincoln Community Playhouse.

Frozen Kids

Join us for a preview of the Theater Arts Academy's upcoming musical Frozen Kids.

06/27 FRI 11:30–12:00 *Bounce!*

Join us for a preview of the Theater Arts Academy's upcoming musical Bounce!

07/11 FRI 11:30–12:00 GERE Press Start! Join us for a preview of the Theater Arts Academy's upcoming musical Press Start! 07/25 FRI 11:30–12:00 GERE

Community Crops Garden Party

There will be many partners set up with tables and booths with information, activities and food - including Lincoln City Libraries! Come check it out!

06/28 SAT 10:00–1:00 GERE

Family Fun Night: Messy Art

Come prepared to get hands-on and make a mess-terpiece as we explore different artistic techniques and tools. Family Fun Nights feature crafts and activities for the whole family.

07/01 TUE 5:30-7:00 GERE

Movie Day: LEGO Batman

Join us for a showing of LEGO Batman. You are welcome to bring a blanket or pillow to sit on. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. Doors will open at 1:00 pm, and the movie will begin at 1:15 pm.

07/02 WED 1:00-3:00 GERE

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07/16 WED 2:00-2:45 GERE 07/16 WED 3:00-3:45 GERE

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07/23 WED 1:30–3:00 GERE

YOUTH Continued

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07/14 MON 5:30-7:00 GERE

ADULTS

Trivia Night

Impress your friends and learn a few new facts at Trivia Night! Doors open at 6:15 pm with trivia starting promptly at 6:30 pm. Compete as a team or as an individual.

Lincoln/Nebraska

05/27 TUE 6:30–7:30 GERE Every Answer Contains Fruit 06/24 TUE 6:30–7:30 GERE American History 07/29 TUE 6:30–7:30 GERE

Circle of Friends

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05/28 WED 1:00–2:30 GERE

ADULTS Continued

Gere BookTalks

Please join us for a casual book discussion where a library staff member will start off by talking about something they've been reading. Each person will have an opportunity to tell the group about something they are reading. Don't want to talk? That's fine - come and listen! This is a spectacular opportunity to get ideas for books you may not know about or to spread the word about books you love!

06/02 MON 2:00-3:00 GERE 07/07 MON 2:00-3:00 GERE

Short & Strange Short Fiction Reading Group

Do you love talking about what you've read, but don't have a lot of reading time? Are you interested in speculative fiction and other non-mimetic genres? Join us for a lively discussion about intriguing (and less-time-intensive) reads. Registration is preferred, but drop-ins are welcome. Registrants will receive a reading list in advance.

06/02 MON 6:30-7:30 GERE 07/07 MON 6:30-7:30 GERE

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06/06	FRI	1:00-2:30	GERE
06/13	FRI	1:00-2:30	GERE
06/20	FRI	1:00-2:30	GERE
06/27	FRI	1:00-2:30	GERE
07/11	FRI	1:00-2:30	GERE
07/18	FRI	1:00-2:30	GERE
07/25	FRI	1:00-2:30	GERE

Reading After Dark

Do you enjoy the chills and thrills of spooky season? Do you long to be haunted year-round? Join us once a month for a ghoulishly-good book club where we will discuss creepy characters and petrifying plot twists!

June's Theme: Weird Girl Horror.

06/11	WED	6:30-7:30	GERE
July's The	eme: Creat	ture Feature.	
07/16	WED	6:30-7:30	GERE

Make, Do, and Mend

An informal gathering for people who like to make and repair things (especially garments and other portable, textile-based projects). Share skills, socialize, reduce waste and have fun! Some tools and materials will be available; feel free to bring extra to share or swap.

06/14	SAT	3:30-4:30	GERE
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Page-to-Screen

Join us to watch adaptations of stories in our collection! Attendees are encouraged but not required to read the book before we watch the film. Refreshments will be provided.

June's feature: Alice in Wonderland (2010). Based on the novel "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland" by Lewis Carroll. Rated PG. Runtime 109 minutes.

06/23 MON 5:00–7:00 GERE July's feature: Snow White & the Huntsman (2012). Based on the novel "Snow White" by the Brothers Grimm. Rated PG-13. Runtime 133 minutes

07/21 MON 5:00-7:00 GERE

Literary Balderdash

Battle your friends (and enemies) in a game of wit and heavy sarcasm. We will present a fact about a book, author, or genre, and contestants will take turns trying to convince everyone to choose answers they've invented. Your success will rely on imagination, bluffing, and a good poker face! Registration is required. 06/27 FRI 4:00–5:00 GERE

Intermediate Ukulele

This program is aimed at adults wishing to continue growing their ukulele skills.

07/02	WED	6:30-7:20	GERE
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Adult Spelling Bee

Good spellers: unite, then divide and fight! We will have a competition where contestants spell words in ranges of difficulty. Prizes will be awarded to the winning individual or team! Registration is required.

07/26 SAT 4:00-5:00 GERE

YOUTH

Edgerton Explorit Center: Stopping Time

Doc Edgerton's innovation, the strobe light and a camera, are the stars of this entertaining and educational show. Children get to participate in the fun while they learn about stop-motion photography and seeing the unseen. Children and adults alike will be amazed at what is revealed when simple everyday events appear frozen in time. *Please note: Children with special medical conditions, such as epilepsy, may not be able to see this demonstration as strobe lights may cause seizures. This program will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2110 Sheridan Blvd.

06/03 TUE 10:30-11:15 SOUTH

Heavy Equipment Encounter

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South Summer Fun Day

Come participate in a variety of fun physical games and activities inside and outside the library.

06/17 TUE 1:30-3:00 SOUTH

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06/24 TUE 10:30-11:15 SOUTH

Movie Day

Join us for a movie! You are welcome to bring a blanket or pillow to sit on. Popcorn and drinks will be provided.

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07/01 TUE 1:00-2:45 SOUTH

Mufasa: The Lion King

07/22 TUE 1:00-3:00 SOUTH

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07/28 MON 1:30-3:00 SOUTH

ADULTS

Crafternoon - Bookish Candle Making

Always wanted to bring your favorite book character, fictional city, or movie scene to life? Join us at the South Branch Library for a candle making Crafternoon and bring your idea to life as a candle!

06/22 SUN 2:00-3:30 **SOUTH**

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07/20 SUN 2:00-3:30 SOUTH



ALL AGES

Pixel Party

School is out for summer vacation so celebrate with a family fun movie at the library!

Dog Man-Rated: PG. Runtime: 1 hour 34 minutes.

05/23 FRI 10:30-12:30 WALT Sonic the Hedgehog 3-Rated: PG. Runtime: 1 hour 49 minutes.

06/20 FRI 10:30-12:30 WALT Paddington in Peru-Rated: PG. Runtime: 1 hour 46 minutes.

07/18 FRI 10:30-12:30 WALT

Family Fun Night LEGO Challenge

Drop in for an evening of literacy activities, building, crafts and challenges. Younger children can use DUPLOS to explore, build and match. Older kids and adults can take part in a Back to Back Build It LEGO Challenge.

5:30-7:00 06/12 THU WALT

3D Printing/Fusion 360 Training

Come be trained on Walt's Bambu Lab A1 3D printer and 3D design software AutoCAD Fusion 360! Register online or by calling 402-441-4460. Must be 13+ or attend with an adult.

06/17 TUE 4:30-5:30 WALT 07/15 TUE 4:30-5:30 WALT

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat Movie

Step into a world where dreams are as bold as a rainbow and every hue tells a story. Whether you're a fan of dazzling coats, high-energy dance numbers, or just in need of a little color in your life. this movie is sure to brighten your world. Come early! Seating is limited! 06/22 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT

Family Fun Night - Ice Cream and Family Games

Join us for a fun evening of activities, crafts and family games. Enjoy a cool sweet treat while visiting the library. 5:30-7:00 07/10 THU WAIT

YOUTH

Girls Who Code Club: Grades 3-5

Build the foundational skills and understanding of computer science concepts and fellowship through reading discussions and coding activities. Open to kids in grades 3 - 5. Walt Branch's Girls Who Code Club (NE58652)

05/31 SAT 3:30-4:30 WALT 06/28 SAT 3:30-4:30 WALT 07/26 3:30-4:30 WALT SAT

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LEGO Brick Sunday

Drop in and free-build with our LEGO brick collection.

06/15 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT 07/20 SUN 2:00-4:00 WALT



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06/24 TUE 12:00-12:45 WALT

YOUTH Continued

Breakout Box: Art Heist (Grades 3 - 5)

A painting has been stolen from the Waltsonian Museum of Art! Can you find the clues and solve the mystery before it's too late? Join us for this Breakout Box adventure and test your skills! This program is intended for 3rd-5th graders. Register online or by calling 402-441-4460. 06/30 MON 10:30-12:00 WALT

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07/14	MON	1:30-2:15	WALT
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Folk Art Around the World

Travel the world through art! From painting to paper crafts, come make crafts based on different folk art from around the world!

07/21	MON	2:00-3:30	WALT
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Eric Carle Inspired Art

Make collage art by using a technique influenced by children's book illustrator and author, Eric Carle. You will use colorful, pre-painted tissue paper and glue to create your own one-of-a-kind Eric Carle style artwork.

07/28	MON	2:00-3:30	WALT
07/28	MON	5:30-7:00	WALT

TEENS

Dice Guild

Come one and all! Players of all levels. A guild for adventurers, mystery-seekers and pathfinders of imagination. Featuring: Dungeons and Dragons 5E.

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05/29	THU	3:30-5:30	WALT
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06/04 WED 2:00-4:00 WALT

Breakout Box: Art Heist (Teens)

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07/02	WED	10:30-12:00	WALT
07/02	WED	2.30-4.00	WAIT

Manga Marathon

Tournament Arc? Think again. This is a marathon! Work together to unlock prizes by completing reading challenges, trivia, and crafts. Snacks will be provided.

07/19 SAT 2:30-4:30

Kahoot! Teen Trivia Night!

6th through 12th graders, join us at Walt Branch for a fun Kahoot! Teen Trivia night with door prizes, snacks and beverages! Bring an internet-capable device to use for the virtual game. This event is intended for ages 11-17.

07/27 6:00-7:30 SUN WALT

ADULTS

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07/22	TUE	1:00-2:30	WALT
07/29	TUE	1:00-2:30	WALT

ADULTS Continued

Memory Café

Memory Café is a welcoming, social gathering designed for adults experiencing changes in their memory or memory loss, and the people who care about them. Each session offers refreshments, a time for socializing, and a variety of activities all focused on encouraging social engagement and creating community. Registration is appreciated either online or by calling 402-441-4460, but drop-ins are welcome. THU 10:00-11:30 06/05 WALT 07/24 THU 10:00-11:30 WALT

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06/08 SUN 2:00-4:00 WAIT

One Book One Lincoln Top Three BookTalk

Join us for a booktalk about our 2025 Top Three OBOL Finalists. Each title will be presented with insights on the book, author and how it made it to the Top Three. You do not need to have read the book to attend. This will be a 'spoiler free zone'! Watch for more One Book One Lincoln programs this summer! TUE 6:30-7:30 06/17 WALT

Silent Library

Enjoy refreshments from The Mill, a book swap and peace to read in silence. 06/18 WED 6:00-7:30 WALT 07/16 WED 6:00-7:30 WALT

Sew a Pillowcase

07/13

Bring your sewing machine to the library and sew your own colorful pillowcase. Space is limited. Register online or by calling 402-441-4460. Instructions and supply list will be emailed (or can be picked up at Walt Branch) upon registration.

2:00-4:00 SUN WALT

Crafternoon - Macrame Jewelry

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Join us as we make macrame bracelets. The pattern, instructions, and materials will be provided. Or bring your own design and use the provided supplies to bring your creation to life! Register online or by calling 402-441-4460.

WALT

2:00-4:00

Williams Branch Library 4900 Mike Scholl St. | 402-441-8580

ALL AGES

Crafty Tuesdays

Feeling creative? Need an outlet for your creativity? Explore your crafting potential on Tuesdays at Williams! Staff will guide you through a new craft each week.

06/03	TUE	11:00–12:00	WILL
06/10	TUE	11:00-12:00	WILL
06/17	TUE	11:00-12:00	WILL
06/24	TUE	11:00-12:00	WILL
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YOUTH

Edgerton Explorit Center: Raptorology - The Science of Raptors

This program gives you a rare opportunity to view birds of prey through a true educational experience. The session allows vou to get up close with the Center's Screech Owl, American Kestrel, and Swainson's Hawk. You will learn the fun and fascinating facts of these amazing creatures including identification of raptors, their natural habitat and habits associated with their surroundings. 06/04 WED 10:30-11:15 WILL

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Listen as real-life book Illustrator Chloe Burgett reads one of her books. Then try your hand at illustration and draw along with Chloe! 10:30-11:15 06/18 WED WILL

Saltdogs at the Library for Kids

Meet Homer the Haymarket Hound and players from the Lincoln Saltdogs when they visit the library to read a book, lead us in practice stretches, and sign autographs! You might even get to play catch with a Saltdog! 06/25 WED 10:30-11:15 WILL

Wildlife Encounters

Wildlife Encounters "Color Our World with Animals" presentation is a summer reading adventure where participants get to meet animal ambassadors and explore how animals bring color, life, and diversity to our planet. This program promotes literacy, creativity, and an appreciation for nature's colors and creatures. 07/09 WED 10:30-11:15 WILL

YOUTH Continued

Color Your World with Magic

Jeff Quinn's COLORFUL magic show has tons of new tricks that highlight colors, art, creativity and reading. Each show comes with an ample dose of family-friendly humor, audience participation and amazing magic -- you won't want to miss this!

07/16 WILL WED 10:30-11:15

Adventures in Art

loin us to explore your creativity and express your unique artistic style with appreciating the works of some famous artists.

07/23 WED 11:00-1:00 WILL

Patio Party

Help us say goodbye to summer with bubbles and chalk!

07/31 THU 11:30-12:30 WILL

TEENS

Found Art

Clear out your junk drawer and bring all the flotsam to create found art! We will have supplies, but if you have trinkets you would like to immortalize, bring them with you.

06/23 MON 12:30-1:30 WILL

Book Art

Enhance your books! Using discarded books, we will be using a variety of mediums to create art whether it be page folding, blackout poetry, or edge-of-page painting.

07/28 12:30-1:30 MON WILL

ADULTS

Senior Coffee

Beginning Friday, May 30, join Air Park Community Center's Senior Coffee group each week for coffee and conversation in the Williams Branch Library meeting room. Library staff will join the group on the second Friday of each month to share information about library resources. We are closed Friday, July 4.

05/30	FRI	10:00-11:00	WILL
06/06	FRI	10:00-11:00	WILL
06/13	FRI	10:00-11:00	WILL
06/20	FRI	10:00-11:00	WILL
06/27	FRI	10:00-11:00	WILL
07/11	FRI	10:00-11:00	WILL
07/18	FRI	10:00-11:00	WILL
07/25	FRI	10:00-11:00	WILL

LOCATIONS AND HOURS

BENNETT MARTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

136 S. 14th Street (402) 441-8530 Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 10 AM-8 PM Friday-Saturday: 10 AM-6 PM Sunday: 12-6 PM

ANDERSON BRANCH LIBRARY

3635 Touzalin Avenue (402) 441-8540 Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 10 AM-8 PM Friday-Saturday: 10 AM-6 PM Sunday: 12-8 PM

BETHANY BRANCH LIBRARY

1810 N. Cotner Boulevard (402) 441-8550 Hours:

Monday-Saturday: 10 AM-6 PM

Sunday: Closed

EISELEY BRANCH LIBRARY

1530 Superior Street (402) 441-4250 Hours: Monday-Thursday: 10 AM-8 PM

Friday-Saturday: 10 AM-6 PM Sunday: 12-8 PM

GERE BRANCH LIBRARY

2400 S. 56th Street (402) 441-8560 Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 10 AM-8 PM Friday-Saturday: 10 AM-6 PM Sunday: 12-8 PM

SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

2675 South Street (402) 441-8570 Hours: Monday-Thursday: 10 AM-8 PM Friday-Saturday: 10 AM-6 PM Sunday: 12-8 PM

WALT BRANCH LIBRARY

6701 S. 14th Street (402) 441-4460 Hours: Monday-Thursday: 10 AM-8 PM Friday-Saturday: 10 AM-6 PM Sunday: 12-8 PM

WILLIAMS BRANCH LIBRARY

4900 Mike Scholl Street (402) 441-8580 Regular Hours: Monday-Tuesday: 4-8 PM Wednesday-Thursday: 10 AM-6 PM Friday-Sunday: 1-6 PM Summer Hours (May 23-August 11): Monday-Friday: 10 AM-2 PM Saturday and Sunday: 12-4 PM

HOLIDAYS CLOSINGS

MEMORIAL DAY Sunday, May 25, 2025 Monday, May 26, 2025

JUNETEENTH Thursday, June 19, 2025

INDEPENDENCE DAY Friday, July 4, 2025

