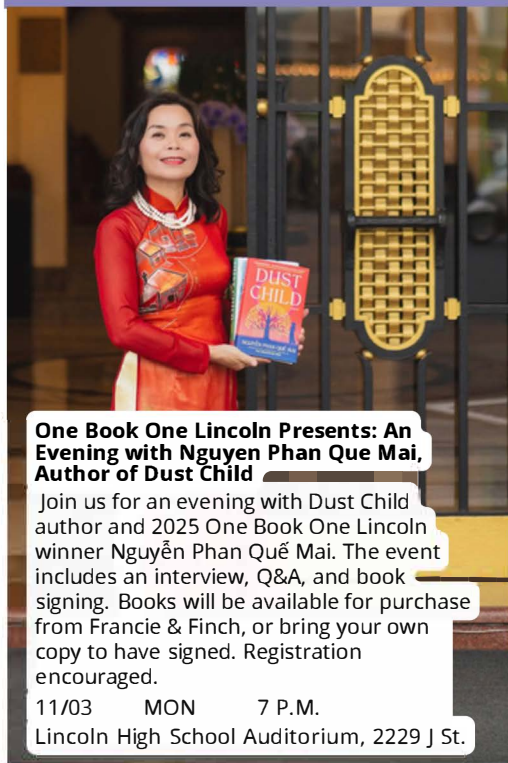


LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES | PROGRAM GUIDE



One Book One Lincoln Presents: An Evening with Nguyen Phan Que Mai, Author of Dust Child

Join us for an evening with Dust Child author and 2025 One Book One Lincoln winner Nguyễn Phan Quế Mai. The event includes an interview, Q&A, and book signing. Books will be available for purchase from Francie & Finch, or bring your own copy to have signed. Registration encouraged.

11/03 MON 7 P.M.
Lincoln High School Auditorium, 2229 J St.

Victor E. Anderson Branch
3635 Touzalin Ave. | 402-441-8540

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

YOUTH

Pete the Cat Construction Crew

Pete the Cat stops by Anderson for our monthly Construction Crew event. Whether it's LEGO's, K'nex, Magna-Tiles or Keva Planks, we'll have free construction time for you and all of your building buddies. But this time, you'll get to BUILD a relationship with Pete the Cat too!

11/02 SUN 1:00–3:00 ANDR

TEENS

Kindness Rocks!

We're painting rocks to celebrate World Kindness Day. Help us spread happiness around town! This teen event is for individuals in grades 6-12.

11/10 MON 6:00–7:00 ANDR

ADULTS

MahJong

Join our growing group of MahJong players for free-play. New players are always welcome, and the group is happy to teach beginners!

11/05 WED 2:00–4:00 ANDR
11/12 WED 2:00–4:00 ANDR
11/19 WED 2:00–4:00 ANDR
11/26 WED 2:00–4:00 ANDR

Bennett Martin Public Library
136 S. 14th St. | 402-441-8530

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

Downtown Parking is FREE:

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

FREE

ALL AGES

Storybook Character Bingo

Bring the family for Storybook Character Bingo! Play bingo featuring favorite characters from classic and modern stories and win fun prizes while celebrating the joy of reading together.

11/12 WED 6:00–7:00 BMPL

Discover the Library! 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! For more information, contact cknapp@lincoln.ne.gov.

11/26 WED 6:00–7:00 BMPL

TEENS

Troll For Initiative—Beginner/Intermediate D & D

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.

11/10 MON 4:30–5:50 BMPL

11/24 MON 4:30–5:50 BMPL

Gaming Café

Swing by the Bennett Martin Public Library CanTEEN for gaming and snacks! We'll have some retro games and modern favorites. Bring a friend or challenge our teen librarian to Mario Kart (you'll win), Dr. Mario (you'll lose), or another favorite.

11/06 THU 3:00–5:00 BMPL

11/13 THU 3:00–5:00 BMPL

11/20 THU 3:00–5:00 BMPL

ADULTS

Lunch at the Library

Alison Pearce Stevens will discuss her latest book "Detective Dogs: How Working Dogs Sniff Out Invasive Species (Books for a Better Earth)." Lunch at the Library is a program sponsored by the Nebraska Literary Heritage Association and Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries to benefit the Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors.

11/05 WED 12:10–1:00 BMPL

ADULTS Continued

Songwriting/Composing Club

Are you a songwriter or composer interested in sharing your work? Need help with writers block or a particular part that doesn't feel quite right? Join the Songwriting/Composing Club at the Polley Music Library 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.

11/13 THU 6:00–7:00 BMPL

B.Y.O.B(ook) Club

This is not your traditional book club! Join us with a title or titles from our 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. This month's prompt: a book with a number in the title.

11/19 WED 6:30–7:30 BMPL

Adult Storytime

Join us for an evening of live readings (short stories, novel fragments, poetry, plays, song lyrics, essays and more), music samples from Nebraska performers or composers, adult coloring sheets, a reading list, and maybe even a craft! This month's theme: authors we are thankful for!

11/20 THU 6:30–7:30 BMPL

Crafternoon - Coffee Jug Mini-Room

Back by popular demand! Guest presenters, Carrie K. and Lauren E., will be helping attendees to upcycle plastic coffee jugs into miniature coffee shops using templates and other small items. All supplies are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required.

11/23 SUN 2:00–4:00 BMPL

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

Hours:
Monday–Saturday: 10 AM–6 PM
Sunday: Closed

ADULTS

Bethany BookTalks

Each weekly BookTalk session features a different presenter sharing their reading recommendations. Registration is not required and drop-in attendance is encouraged.

Scott's Fall 2025 Grab Bag - a summary of what he's enjoyed reading, listening to, and watching in the past six months.

11/07 FRI 10:30–11:30 BETH

Laurie and Courtney will discuss titles set during and about Medieval Times and tell you all about LCL's upcoming RenFaire on December 6.

11/14 FRI 10:30–11:30 BETH

Susan will be bringing her usual mixed bag of recent reads including young adult, fantasy, science fiction, and even a graphic novel or two.

11/21 FRI 10:30–11:30 BETH

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

YOUTH

Play Time for Youth

We invite children and parents/caregivers to play with our developmental toy collection. We have set aside this time because research shows the importance of unstructured play for children. Caregivers and parents - please remember to supervise your children while you visit and look for books.

SUNDAYS 1:00–2:00 EISE

Sensory Snow Globes

Create your very own sensory snow globe at this guided instruction activity. Choose from a variety of bottles, glitters, confetti, and figurine trees.

11/26 WED 2:00–3:30 EISE

ADULTS

Once Upon a Crime - Family Ties

Join us for all things criminal where we deep dive a true crime book. Bring your current crime obsessions to share and get sentenced to FUN!

11/12 WED 6:30–7:45 EISE

Meet Your Library Staff

Have you ever wondered what library staff do all day? Or what they do in their down time? Maybe you have questions about how the Eiseley Branch Library operates? Join an assortment of library staff to get answers to all of your questions! Light refreshments will be provided.

11/14 FRI 10:30–11:30 EISE

Sensory Snow Globes

Create your very own sensory snow globe at this guided instruction activity. Choose from a variety of bottles, glitters, confetti, and figurine trees.

11/14 FRI 2:30–4:00 EISE

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

ALL AGES

Board Game Night

If you're a fan of board games and card games, then Gere Branch Library is the place to be! Join us for an all-ages night of fun with your friends and family. Come to play our games or bring your own to share!

11/04 TUE 6:00–7:30 GERE

Family Fun Night: Dinosaurs

Drop by the Gere Branch Library for a variety of dinosaur themed crafts, games and activities that are fun for the whole family.

11/18 TUE 5:30–7:00 GERE

ALL AGES Continued

Bad Art Night

This event will bring out the worst in you. No talent necessary! Let's create the most abominable thing possible. Multimedia supplies will be provided, but bring your own tools if you'd like. We will vote on the top (bottom?) three worst creations, and winners will receive a prize! Registration is required.

11/23 SUN 6:00–7:30 GERE

TEENS

Random Fandom: Wicked

Celebrate the upcoming release of Wicked: For Good with crafts, activities, and karaoke. This program is part of our Teen Programming and is intended for ages 11-17.

11/10 MON 6:00–7:00 GERE

ADULTS

Gere BookTalks

Please join us at Gere Branch for a casual book discussion group. You don't need to read a specific book or have anything prepared. A library staff member will start off by talking about something they've been reading and then each group member can 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 already know about and to spread the word about books you love.

11/03 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 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.

11/03 MON 6:30–7:30 GERE

Circle of Friends

Circle of Friends is an adaptive program for adults accompanied by a support person. Activities may include crafts, exercise and stories. All abilities and skill levels are encouraged to attend!

11/05 WED 1:00–2:30 GERE

11/12 WED 1:00–2:30 GERE

11/19 WED 1:00–2:30 GERE

11/26 WED 1:00–2:30 GERE

ADULTS Continued

Learn Spanish with Kids' Books! For Adults

We will be reading aloud through a children's book in Spanish, stopping to clarify or ask questions regarding grammar, vocabulary, syntax, etc. If you have some previous experience with the Spanish language, that's great! If not, you can come just to listen and observe. This class will feature "Diario de un Unicornio: La Princesa de los Duendes" - "Unicorn Diaries: The Goblin Princess." This title is available in print or as an ebook.

11/05 WED 6:00–7:00 GERE

Make, Do & Mend - Play with Patchwork!

Hand-sewn patchwork is a great way to practice practical mending skills while nourishing creativity. During this meetup, we'll dig into bags of provided scraps (or bring your own) and hand-stitch pieces together, experimenting with colors, shapes, and patterns. Participants will come away with "blocks" that can be used as the basic for another project in December.

11/08 SAT 3:30–5:00 GERE

Intro to Creative Writing

November is National Novel Writing Month. Join us on Sundays in November for writing sessions designed to help encourage you to write creatively. We encourage writers of all levels to join. Bring a laptop, notebook, and pen, or whatever writing tools you prefer. Registration is required.

11/09 SUN 2:00–3:30 GERE

11/16 SUN 2:00–3:30 GERE

11/23 SUN 2:00–3:30 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!

11/12 WED 6:30–7:30 GERE



The One Ring

Do you like Lord of the Rings? If you desire to be part of a fellowship, register to participate in The One Ring, a monthly role playing game based on Middle Earth, the epic fantasy world created by J.R.R. Tolkien. There are only eight spots available so make sure to register!

11/19 WED 5:30–7:30 GERE

Trivia Night: World History

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.

11/25 TUE 6:30–7:30 GERE



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South Branch Library
2675 South St. | 402-441-8570

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



ALL AGES

South Family Craft: Cards

Learn about circuits while making a light up holiday card.

11/25 TUE 5:30–7:00 SOUTH

ADULTS

Crafternoon - Wooden Jewelry

Spend some time creating jewelry using wooden beads and acrylic paint. All supplies will be provided. Please be aware that acrylic paint will stain so wear old clothes. Registration is required.

11/23 SUN 2:00–3:00 SOUTH

Walt Branch Library
6701 S. 14th St. | 402-441-4460

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

ALL AGES

3D Printer Training

Learn how to use a 3D printer! Come be trained on Walt's Bambu Lab A1 3D FDM printer and Anycubic Photon Mono M7 Pro SLA resin printer. Register online or by calling 402-441-4460. Must be 13+ years old or attend with an adult.

11/18 TUE 4:30–5:30 WALT

YOUTH

Family Fun Night

Enjoy an unstructured evening with seasonal activities, games and crafts that are fun for the whole family.

11/13 THU 5:30–7:00 WALT

LEGO Brick Sunday

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

11/16 SUN 2:00–4:00 WALT

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 all kids in grades 3–5. Walt Branch's Girls Who Code Club (NE58652)

11/29 SAT 3:30–4:30 WALT

Walt Branch Library
6701 S. 14th St. | 402-441-4460

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.

11/06 THU 3:30–5:30 WALT

11/20 THU 3:30–5:30 WALT

ADULTS

Circle of Friends

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11/04 TUE 1:00–2:30 WALT

11/18 TUE 1:00–2:30 WALT

11/25 TUE 1:00–2:30 WALT



Lincoln City Libraries staff is available for individual Tech Tutor sessions! Bring your own device or use a library computer.

Help with all devices | Internet | Email | Scanning Applications | Access to free digital media

For an appointment, call:
Eiseley Branch Library | 402-441-4250
Gere Branch Library | 402-441-8560

Tech Times at Walt

Need help with your smartphone, tablet, or computer? Sign up for a free 30-minute one-on-one session with library staff for troubleshooting, new skills, or tech confidence—all in a friendly, no-pressure setting. Sessions run from 2:00–4:00 p.m.; register online or call 402-441-4460. Funded in part by a grant from AARP.

11/06 THU 2:00–4:00 WALT

11/13 THU 2:00–4:00 WALT

ADULTS Continued



Pick up a new hobby, just in time for colder months ahead! Learn to crochet in our hands-on beginner class, then practice your stitches and meet fellow crafters at Stitch Together, our weekly open group.

Crochet 101

This three-week adult class is designed for adults who are absolute beginners. Learn the basics of crochet including how to hold the hook and yarn, make a slip knot, chain, single crochet, and half double crochet. All supplies are provided. Space is limited and registration is required online or by calling 402-441-4460. Please register for this three-week class by 5:00 pm on the first class date of 11/6/2025. After class, practice your new skills at our weekly open "Stitch Together" group at 6:30 pm.

11/06 THU 6:00–6:30 WALT

11/13 THU 6:00–6:30 WALT

11/20 THU 6:00–6:30 WALT

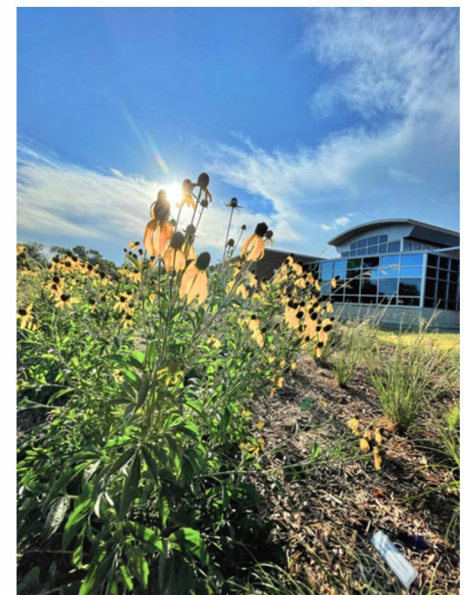
Stitch Together

Our open stitch group is a welcoming space for adults of all skill levels to gather, learn, and share their passion for stitching and crochet. Participants can work on their own projects, learn new techniques, receive guidance, and enjoy the camaraderie of fellow crafters. No registration required.

11/06 THU 6:00–7:30 WALT

11/13 THU 6:00–7:30 WALT

11/20 THU 6:00–7:30 WALT



Walt Branch Library
6701 S. 14th St. | 402-441-4460

ADULTS Continued

Silent Library

Enjoy refreshments from The Mill, a book swap and peace to read in silence.

11/19 WED 6:00-7:30 WALT

Memory Café



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. You may call the Walt Branch at 402-441-4460 to register, but drop-ins are welcome.

11/20 THU 10:00-11:30 WALT



Memory Café: A Gathering of Hearts and Minds at Walt Branch Library

Memory Café is a welcoming, social gathering designed for adults experiencing changes in memory or memory loss — and for the friends, family, and caregivers who support them. Each session offers refreshments, conversation, and simple activities that encourage connection and community.

What began as a small group has blossomed into a joyful monthly event bringing together dozens of participants, caregivers, and volunteers. The atmosphere is warm and lively, filled with laughter, stories, and shared moments that remind everyone how meaningful companionship can be.

Join us for an uplifting experience that celebrates friendship, understanding, and togetherness. You may call the Walt Branch at 402-441-4460 to register, but drop-ins are always welcome.

Event details are subject to change.
Please visit LincolnLibraries.org or call 402-441-8500.

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

Hours:

Monday-Tuesday: 4 PM-8 PM

Wednesday-Thursday: 10 AM-6 PM

Friday-Sunday: 1-6 PM

TEENS

After-School Special

Hang out with your friends after school to play games, create crafts and enjoy other fun activities!

11/04 TUE 4:30-5:30 WILL

11/18 TUE 4:30-5:30 WILL

11/25 TUE 4:30-6:00 WILL



Teen Advisory Boards

Hey teens! We need YOU! Advise library staff about materials, programs and services that you would like to see in the library.

This is your chance to make a difference!

Scan the QR code or head to lincolnlibraries.org to learn more about volunteering on a Teen Advisory Board at your nearest branch library.



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Storytime Schedule



LOOKING FOR A SMALLER CROWD AT STORYTIME, JOIN THE CREW AT BENNETT MARTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY. WE'VE ADDED BABY STORYTIMES ON THURSDAYS AND OF COURSE, STILL HAVE OUR ALL-AGES STORYTIMES ON FRIDAYS!

Downtown Parking is FREE:

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

FREE

Why Read Aloud

Reading aloud is a great way to increase your child's chances of success at school.

It will entertain and delight them. It will strengthen the bonds between you and your child and is virtually free. Sound too good to be true? Research has proven that this simple technique is among the most effective parenting tools.

Children who are read aloud to by parents get a head start in language and literacy skills and are more prepared to go to school.

In other words, reading that bedtime story may not only entertain and soothe your child, but it will also develop vocabulary, improve the ability to learn to read, and—perhaps most important of all—foster a lifelong love of books and reading.

Bookmobile Schedule



HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

VETERANS DAY
Tuesday, November 11

THANKSGIVING
Thursday, November 27

DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING
Friday, November 28

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