Charles City Library Newsletter



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Library Hours and Closures

Mondays to Thursdays: 10 - 8 Saturdays: 1 - 5 **Fridays**: 10 - 5 Sundays: Closed

We will be closed Monday, September 6 for Labor Day.

For Kids and Families

Kids' Materials are Fine-Free

Children's materials no longer collect overdue fines, provided they are returned in good condition.

STEM Take-and-Make: Week of Sept. 13

Miss Stacey wants you to stretch your imagination with materials and building challenges in a take-home bag!

Get Messy with Miss Stacey: Kickoff on September 27 at 10 am, 1 pm, and 4 pm

Miss Stacey will lead a new program series this fall where we get messy! The programs will include activities such as body painting, a water table, a sand table, bubble snakes, and plenty of bubbles. After the kickoff event, the programs will continue on Tuesdays at 4 pm through October and November.

Storytime with Miss Stacey:

Thursdays at 10:30 am

Come join Miss Stacey for regular storytimes for young children! No sign-up necessary.

For Adults

Amnesty Day for Overdue Materials

Overdue adult materials can be returned the first Monday of every month for free with fine forgiveness. This does not include equipment check-outs; contact the library for questions and exemptions.

Friday Morning Book Club: Every Other Friday



Starts September 10 and runs through November 19! Attendees can choose between an in-person meeting in the Zastrow Room at SLAUGHTERHOUSE: 9:15 (registration required) or a Zoom meeting at 11:30 on discussion days. The first

two books to be discussed are Slaughterhouse -Five by Kurt Vonnegut (Sept. 10) and Stiff by Mary Roach (Sept. 24)—come into the library today to pick up your copies of all six books!

Lessons of the Holocaust: Sept. 13 at 6:30 pm

Iowa Holocaust Council member Brad Wilkening will present a program on the rise of the Nazi party, Hitler's ascent to power, and Holocaust survivor stories in the Zastrow Meeting Room. The program is free to the public.

Adult Coloring Crafternoons: Sept. 15 at 6 pm

CCPL will be offering adult coloring in the Zastrow Room for those who wish to create and socialize together. Tools for coloring will be supplied, but attendees are welcome to bring other crafts if they wish. Coloring lasts until 8 pm.

Friends of the Library Book Club:



Sept. 20 at 6:30 pm

Friends of the Charles City Public Library get together the third Monday each month in the Zastrow Room for their book club. This month we will read and discuss Before We Were Yours

by Lisa Wingate—contact the library to get your copy and join them today!

It's Crafting Hour: Sept. 21 at 6:30 pm

Adult craft nights are back for three planned sessions this fall! Our first craft is fire ink art on glass—dress like you'll make a mess. Registration is required due to limited supplies.

True Crime Book Club: Sept. 27 at 5:30 pm



Our True Crime Book Club is kicking off again GUILTY with Presumed Guilty—Casey Anthony: The Inside Story by Jose Baez. Copies can be picked up from the front desk, and the discussion will be in the Zastrow Room on September 27.

Smorgasbord Book Club: Sept. 28 at 5:30 pm

This book club has no required reading—simply come to the library and talk with the group about what books you've picked up lately. The meeting lasts one hour and recurs the last Tuesday every month.

Other Services

Zastrow River Room Restrictions

Currently, the library is allowing a maximum of 50 people to be in the Zastrow River Room at a single time, and restrictions on food have been lifted for future events.