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 November 11 for Veterans Day and November 25 and 26 for Thanksgiving.

General Announcements

Permanent StoryWalk Installation

At the end of October, a permanent StoryWalk was installed along the trail in Whitewater Park across the library parking lot. Walk by today to check it out!

History of the Book Display

Starting November 1, we have a display on the History of the Book for the public to view in the library during our open hours. Pieces on display include reproductions of ancient books, maps showing the spread of bookmaking, and modern books for comparison. This display is on loan from the lowa Center for the Book, located in lowa City.

Brainfuse HelpNow

We've added a new online resource to our collection! Brainfuse HelpNow allows students to communicate online with a live tutor from any computer for a variety



of subjects; there is also a Writing Lab and a 24/7 Center that can help provide feedback on different assignments. See how their tools can help you by checking Brainfuse out through our website today.

Iowa's People and Places Display

Each county in the state of lowa has received a pop-up display commemorating lowa's history as we celebrate 175 years of statehood. Stop by our lobby during our open hours to view the display today!

For Kids and Families

Kids' Materials are Fine-Free

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

Storytime: Thursdays at 10:30 am

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

LEGO Day: November 24 at 9:30 am

It's the long-awaited return of LEGO playtime! Children are welcome to come play with LEGOs for two hours, until 11:30 am, on this day off from school.

Get Messy with Miss Stacey:

Tuesdays at 4 pm through November

Miss Stacey will lead a program series this fall where we get messy! The programs will include activities such as painting, slime, and playdoh volcanoes.

For Adults

Friday Morning Book Club: Every Other Friday



Attendees can choose between an in-person meeting at 9:15 or a Zoom meeting at 11:30. The next two books to be discussed are *Monstrous Beauty* by Elizabeth Fama (Nov. 5) and The House in the Cerulean Sea by T.J.

Klune (Nov. 19)—come into the library today to pick up them up!

Amnesty Day for Overdue Materials

Overdue adult materials can be returned November 1 (the first Monday of the month) for free with fine forgiveness. This does not include equipment check-outs; contact the library for questions and exemptions.

Adult Coloring Crafternoons: Nov. 23 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.

Board Game Day: November 24 at 1 pm



Get an early start on the Thanksgiving holiday by coming to play board games! All ages are invited, and a variety of games are available. The event will last until 5 pm.

Smorgasbord Book Club: Nov. 30 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.