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LIBRARY HOURS
Monday-Thursday: 9am-9pm
Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm
Sunday: 1pm - 5pm
Sunday, October 3  
3-4:30pm, in Front of the Library  

Come check out short performance pieces which explore climate change and serve as a call to community action in partnership with the MFA Program in Creative Writing & Environment, The EcoTheatre Lab, and the international Climate Change Theatre Action initiative (CCTA).  

Founded in 2015, CCTA is a worldwide series of performances presented biennially to coincide with the United Nations Climate Change Conference. ISU Theatre’s 2021 contribution to the CCTA initiative will encourage participation in the current climate action planning process for Ames, Iowa.  

Stop by a related resource fair before the performance or during intermission. If inclement weather occurs, this event will be held in the Library’s Auditorium.  

Presented in partnership with the international Climate Change Theatre Action initiative (CCTA), The EcoTheatre Lab, the Iowa State MFA Program in Creative Writing and Environment, Ames Climate Action Team, ISU Department of Geological and Atmospheric Sciences, Climate Reality Campus Corps at ISU, ISU Office of Sustainability/Live Green! Initiative, ISU Parks Library, Ames Public Library, Ames Main Street Farmers’ Market, the Community Engagement Living Lab and Play Ames: Imagine Your City community engagement festival, Octagon Center for the Arts, Ames High School earth and space science classes and Ames Middle School science classes.
Monday, October 4
9:15am-3:15pm, Auditorium
Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

Want to make babysitting your business? Come to the Library for a free babysitting clinic for 5th graders and older!

This program provides an opportunity for students to think about babysitting as a business, including ways to get started and communication with families.

Participants will also learn about ages and stages of youth, identify ways to be a safe babysitter, and find out what to do in case of an emergency.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

Wednesday, October 6
6-8pm, Auditorium

In Their Shoes is a teen dating violence simulation where middle and high school students walk through multiple scenarios and learn about the red flags and warning signs of an abusive relationship.

Afterwards, there will be a debriefing and discuss how teens can help themselves or others who are in these situations.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and YSS.

1st Thursday of Each Month
10am, Auditorium or via Zoom

Join us for a monthly book discussion just for families that are homeschooling or learning remotely!

Each month, we will focus on a different genre of books. Families are invited to read the book of the month (together or independently), then come to the Library for a discussion and related activities.

This event and books are geared for school-age kids or middle grade reading level, but all ages are welcome to attend.

On October 7, we will talk about Pie in the Sky by Remy Lai and the humor genre.

Thursdays
3:30-6pm, Auditorium

Need a brain break? Teens are invited to hang out and play videogames on our big screen Thursdays after school!
Saturdays, October 9, 16, 23, & 30
10am-12pm, via Zoom
Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

This series of four connected, interactive workshops will explore the history of Des Moines’ Center Street neighborhood and spark conversations about racialized inequity, its relationship to 1950s urban renewal, and other policies and practices that disproportionately impact Iowa’s Black citizens.

The workshops will be led by Madison DeShay-Duncan, Ph.D. and Richard Duncan. Dr. DeShay-Duncan is writer and filmmaker of the upcoming documentary, *The Center Street Story: An Urban Renewal Retrospective*, as well as an Assistant Teaching Professor at Iowa State University where she received her Ph.D. in Education and currently teaches Social Justice in Education and related courses. Dr. DeShay-Duncan also has a MA of Community and Regional Planning and BA of Sociology. In 2007 she founded Community Legacy Matters Inc.

Richard Duncan is filmmaker and a narrator of *The Center Street Story: An Urban Renewal Retrospective*. A former resident of the historic Center Street community, Richard is knowledgeable on both the social and physical aspects of the historic Center Street neighborhood. Richard’s Center Street heritage, participation in the historic 1963 March on Washington, and residency in Los Angeles during the 1960s Black Freedom and Civil Rights Movements resulted in a valuable and unique angle of vision of the implications of urban renewal on both local and national scales.

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation, the Iowa State University Office of the Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Ames Collegiate United Methodist Church/Wesley Foundation, and Ames Iowa Branch of the NAACP.

Saturdays, October 9, 16, & 23 and November 6, 13, & 20
1-2:30pm, PEO Room or via Zoom
Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

Join Ames Public Library and ISU 4-H Extension and Outreach Office for an engaging 6-session series for teens to learn practical strategies for coping with stress, emotions, and every day life. Get tips for improving overall well-being, relationships, and performance in school, sports, the arts, and other activities.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Iowa State University 4-H Extension and Outreach Office.

Saturday, October 9
2pm, Auditorium

This is not a quiet movie experience! Come ready to shout, dance, and participate along with the movie in progress.

On October 9, we’ll watch *Hocus Pocus*. Wear a costume if you like!

Mark your calendar for more Interactive Movies: November 13: *The Princess Bride*  December 11: *Elf*
Peace of Mind: Avoiding Conflict and Court at the End of Life

Family Protection Plan

Wednesday, October 13
7pm, PEO Room or via Zoom

Join us for a series of lectures on Peace of Mind: Avoiding Conflict and Court at the End of Life.

This month Attorney Merlaine Mosley will discuss how you can create an easy, comprehensive plan that protects your family.

Participate in person or via Zoom

Watch for more events this winter:
January 12: Healthcare Directives
February 9: How Medicaid Planning Makes a Difference

October 14, Downtown Ames

Stop by the Library for some special activities during Discover Downtown!

AUTHOR EVENT

Debra Marquart

Distinguished Professor of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Iowa State University and Iowa's Poet Laureate

Sunday, October 17
2-3:30pm, Auditorium

Join author Debra Marquart for an afternoon of music and readings from her new essay collection, *The Night We Landed on the Moon: Essays Between Exile & Belonging*. Books will be available for purchase at the event through Dog-Eared Books.

Debra Marquart is a Distinguished Professor of Liberal Arts & Sciences at Iowa State University. She teaches in the MFA Program in Creative Writing and Environment and serves as Iowa’s Poet Laureate. Marquart is the author of seven books. For more information, visit debramarquart.com

After the reading, please join Debra for a book signing and reception to follow at Dog-Eared Books.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Dog-Eared Books.

Movies with Mainstream

2nd Thursday of each month
10am-1pm, Auditorium

Join the Mainstream Living community for a monthly movie screening and related activity! Selected movies are appropriate for adults who are neurodivergent and/or have an intellectual disability. Movies with Mainstream is open to patrons of all ages!

On October 14, we’ll get in the Halloween spirit with *Ghostbusters* and a spook-tacular activity.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.
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If you are a person with a disability who requires special assistance, please call (515) 239-5646 in advance of a program.

Ames Public Library connects you to the world of ideas through diverse and inclusive resources and programs. We welcome program proposals via our website at bit.ly/APLprogram.
Genealogy PLUS

Wednesday, October 20
10am-12pm, Auditorium or via Zoom
Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

Topic: Stories in the Stones—Tales They Tell
Speakers: Dick Cooper and Jim Lohr

Each monthly Genealogy PLUS event features an hour-long presentation by an expert followed by a study session.

Cemeteries can be a treasure trove of genealogical information. Dick Cooper has worked with the website www.findagrave.com for years and found it to be an excellent source of general information.

Jim Lohr has photographed over 35,000 gravestones for the website billiongraves.com. Together, they tell you how web sites like these can help you in your own research.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Story County Genealogical Society.

Preventing for National Novel Writing Month

Thursday, October 21
7pm, Auditorium or via Zoom
Register at AmesPL.org/events/WritingOctober2021

Learn tricks and tips to prepare to write 50,000 words in November. Rachel Mans McKenny, author of The Butterfly Effect and Assistant Director of the Writing and Media Center at Iowa State University, shares strategies for outlining a novel and finding time to fit writing into your busy life.

Mark your calendar for Writing Accountability Groups
Tuesdays, November 2, 16, & 30 at 7pm and
Tuesdays, November 9 & 23 at 12pm available in the Danfoss Room and online.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University Writing and Media Center.

THE BRIDGE HOME

Helping you navigate through life's hardships.

Beginning in October, Ames Public Library is partnering with The Bridge Home to provide easy access to critical services. Staff from The Bridge Home will be available in the Library to assist individuals and families on the verge of—or experiencing—homelessness with apartment searching, appointment scheduling, job applications, and more. Staff members will also be available to connect community members who are experiencing homelessness with vital services.

You can find The Bridge Home at Ames Public Library
Tuesdays and Fridays from 11am-2 pm and Thursdays from 4-7pm.
Genealogy Help Session

Wednesday, October 27
10am-12pm, Danfoss Room

Run into a brick wall? Not sure where to start researching your roots? Stop by this monthly meetup of local genealogists to get help with research, software and writing your family story.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Story County Genealogical Society.

Research your GENEALOGY like the pros.

Your Ames Public Library card gets you free access to Ancestry Library Edition and Heritage Quest—no subscription needed!

Make connections, find the stories of your ancestors, and fill out your family tree. Ancestry Library Edition is now available from anywhere through the end of the year.

You can also access Family Search locked records from Ames Public Library’s computers or Wi-Fi.

Visit www.AmesPL.org/databases to get started.

Friday, October 29
10am-2pm, Library

Stop by the Library during the Trick-or-Treat event in Downtown Ames for a treat and a free book for young children (while supplies last)! Costumes are welcome.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Altrusa International of Ames, Inc.

Musical Interpretation and Style

Saturday, November 6
10am, Library’s Second Floor Gallery

Join us for a lecture presentation with concert pianist Frank Lévy. A very engaging speaker, Mr. Lévy will discuss the development of musical interpretation by performing artists.

Frank Lévy will also perform a solo recital Thursday, November 4, as part of the Ames Town & Gown Chamber Music Association series.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Town & Gown.

Ames Public Library BOOK SALE
November 4 - 7
**028: Real Reads**

*2nd Thursday of Each Month at 7pm*
*In the Board Room or via Zoom*
*Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events*

028 focuses on recently published, popular nonfiction on a variety of topics.

**October 14:** *American Sherlock: Murder, Forensics, and the Birth of American CSI* by Kate Winkler Dawson

**November 4:** *Notes from a Young Black Chef: A Memoir* by Kwame Onwuachi

**View from the Margins**

*2nd Sunday of Each Month, 2-4pm*
*In the Board Room or via Zoom*
*Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events*

Check out this book discussion group exploring social and cultural topics through the lens of fiction and nonfiction. The goal is to encourage deep reflection and nuanced discussion about how the topics’ impacts manifest and resonate in modern society.

**October 10:** *On Earth We’re Briefly Gorgeous* by Ocean Vuong

**November 14:** *You Exist Too Much* by Zaina Arafat

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**Great Books 1**

*3rd Sunday of Each Month, 2-4pm*
*In the Board Room or via Zoom*
*Registration Full*

**Great Books 2**

*1st Sunday of Each Month, 1-3pm*
*In the Rotary Room or via Zoom*
*Call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to register.*

Come discuss classic short stories and essays recommended by the Great Books Foundation.

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**Books @ Noon**

*4th Wednesday of Each Month*
*12pm, Rotary Room*

Share what you’ve read recently—fiction or nonfiction—and hear about what everyone else is reading.

**Mystery Lovers Book Club**

*1st Wednesday of Each Month*
*12pm, Rotary Room*

Share your thoughts about books by a selected author!

**October 6:** William Kent Krueger

**November 3:** Rex Stout

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Family Storytime

Tuesdays at 10am, repeated at 10:45am
In the Auditorium

Join us for storytime featuring fun books and songs!

Register at the Youth Services Desk when you arrive.
Space is limited. If the 10am storytime is full, the storytime will be repeated at 10:45am.

Baby Time

Beginning October 5:
Tuesdays at 1:30pm
Wednesdays at 11am
Thursdays at 6:30pm
in the Storytime Room

Bring your pre-walker to the Library for stories, songs, and baby sign language.

Join with other caregivers and older siblings for 20 minutes of socially distanced fun and learning. Feel free to bring a stuffed animal or doll for the older sibling to learn along with you.

There will also be a Baby Time Saturday, October 9, at 10am.

Storytime with Ben

Wednesdays at 10:30am, repeated at 11:15am
In the Auditorium

Families are invited for a storytime filled with music, stories, and fun!

Register at the Youth Services Desk when you arrive.
Space is limited. If the 10:30am storytime is full, the storytime will be repeated at 11:15am.

Saturdays in October @ 10:30am

Join us for a storytime every Saturday in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month!

Kids Create

Tuesdays from 10:30am-12pm
In the Storytime Room

Get creative with a craft for kids at the Library! Materials are provided.

Fridays at 10:30am
In the Auditorium

Families are invited to get hands-on with a fun science activity for all ages!

Register at the Youth Services Desk when you arrive.
Space is limited.
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