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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9am-9pm Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

FALL CLOSURES

Ames Public Library will be closed:

- Friday, November 11
- Thursday, Nov. 24 & Friday, Nov. 25

The Bookmobile will be closed:

- Friday, November 11
- November 21-25 (Monday-Friday)





JUNK MAIL MIGRATION ART EXHIBIT BY KRISTIN M ROACH

About the Project

Ames artist Kristin M Roach's Junk Mail Migration project was initially inspired by the question, "Where does junk mail come from?" which led to identifying the impact of deforestation on Iowa's backyard, migratory bird populations.

Support provided by Ames Public Library Friends Foundation; the Iowa Arts Council, a division of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs; and the National Endowment for the Arts

About the Artist

Kristin M Roach (she/her) is an artist, author, and apothecary owner. Trained in painting with a history in craft & fibers (Craft Leftovers), she takes an interdisciplinary approach to her work.

Kristin uses scientific data and cast-off materials to create drawings, paintings, and immersive installations about backyard ecology. Kristin is best known for her monochromatic paintings of migratory birds on junk mail. Her art and zines are internationally exhibited and collected and her book, *Mend it Better*, has been published worldwide. She currently lives and works in Ames, Iowa.

Exhibits

November 1-29 During Library Open Hours

Paintings:

The Junk Mail Migration exhibit in the Library's entryway will feature some of Roach's paintings of migratory birds.

Interactive Tapestry:

Roach's interactive Iowa migration mapping tapestry will be on display near the Library's Grand Staircase. The 10 foot tall tapestry demonstrates non-resident bird migration in Iowa with interactive LED lights woven into walnut dyed wool.

Artist Reception

Thursday, November 10 7pm, Grand Staircase Exhibit Space

Artist Kristin Roach will talk about the Junk Mail Migration project and explain how she created the interactive Iowa migration mapping tapestry.



Tuesdays in November 1:30-3:30pm, PEO Room

Learn the computer skills you're interested in! Computers are provided for all classes. You can guarantee your spot in a specific class by preregistering at the Library's Adult Services Desk or by calling (515) 239-5646 extension 4.

This month's classes will focus on office software:

- November 1: Microsoft Word
- November 8: Microsoft PowerPoint
- November 15: Microsoft Excel
- November 22: Free Office Software
- November 29: Make a Greeting Card Using Microsoft Publisher (NEW Class!)



Tuesday, November 1, or Wednesday, November 2 5-6:30pm, Board Room

Team up with your friends or the nearest scruffy-looking nerfherder and crack the code of our Star Wars themed escape room especially for teens. This free escape room is designed for groups of 2-4 people, and each group will get 15 minutes. Families are welcome to participate, but priority will be given to groups including teens. The same escape room will be available both days.

May the Force be with you—you'll need it!

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and TAG.



1st and 3rd Tuesday of Each Month 4pm, Storytime Room

Come play chess! Whether you are just a beginner or already an expert, all kids in grades 4-6 are welcome to come have fun after school on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

Drop in and learn how to play or come and face off against a new opponent.

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Thursdays, 4-6pm, Teen Space

Need a brain break? Teens are invited to hang out and play videogames in the Teen Space! A virtual reality system will be available to try out too.

Getting ready for a road trip?

Check out a Launchpad learning tablet loaded with educational games, books, and videos for children—no internet needed!





2nd and 4th Tuesday of Each Month 4pm, Storytime Room

Children in grades 3-5 are invited to get creative and build with lots of LEGO®! We'll provide the bricks while the kids provide the imagination.

All LEGO® will remain at the Library, so bring a camera to capture a photo of your build. Please leave your own LEGO® at home so they don't get mixed up with the Library's.

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Wednesday, November 9 5-6pm, Board Room Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

Help plan exciting Library events for teens, share what you're reading, make new friends, and eat some food!

To register e-mail Ethan, our Young Adult Librarian, at eatwell@amespubliclibrary.org or fill out a TAG application on our website.

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Thursday, November 10 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 all ages!

This month, we'll watch *Tom* & *Jerry: The Movie* with an enemies and friends themed activity to follow.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.

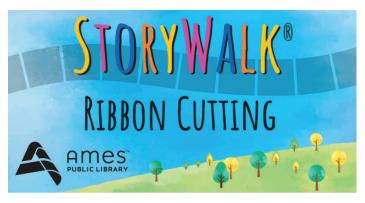




Saturday, November 12 10am-12pm, Auditorium

The holidays can be hard when your family is politically divided. In this workshop, learn skills for handling family political differences in a constructive way, while remaining true to your values and political beliefs.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Braver Angels.

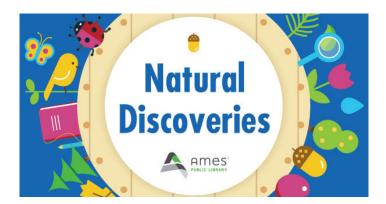


Saturday, November 12 10am, Moore Memorial Park

Celebrate the opening of Ames' first permanent StoryWalk with Ames Public Library! We'll have a ribbon cutting and refreshments, then we'll explore the StoryWalk together. Stops along the path display the pages of the featured pictured book, so you can read the entire book on your walk through the park.

The Bookmobile will be at the park with plenty of books for all ages to check out.

The StoryWalk* Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk* is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.



Sunday, November 13 2pm, Storytime Room

Join ISU's Environmental Education Club for storytime, a craft, and fun activities based on a different ecological theme each month. Children of any age can come explore and learn more about our environment.

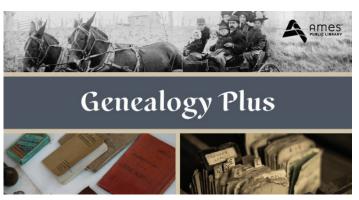
This month's event will be all about how seeds travel.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the ISU Environmental Education Club.



Sunday, November 13 4pm, Storytime Room

German Storytime is a chance for children and families to immerse themselves in stories, songs,7 and all things fun about German culture. Come learn and engage in this bilingual storytime experience.



Wednesday, November 16 10am-12pm, Online via Zoom (or watch on screen in the Rotary Room)

Topic: "It's All Inside-Digital Books for Genealogical Research"

Speaker: Megan Klein-Hewett, Ames Public Library

Digitized books are an abundant—and often free—resource that are available to anyone through the click of a button. Join Megan Klein-Hewett, Adult Services Manager at Ames Public Library, to learn about the wide variety of sources available online and how to make the most of them.

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

Ames Public Library BOK SALE

515 Douglas Avenue • Auditorium

Thursday

NOV. 17 5:30-8:30pm

\$2 Admission

Free admission and early entry starting at 5pm for current donors to the APLFF at the \$20 level and above.

Fri. & Sat.
NOV. 18 & 19
9am-6pm
FREE Admission





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Friday, November 18 4-6pm, Teen Space

Join our monthly meetup to watch some anime, talk about your favorite manga, or create your own art and manga.

Open to 6^{th} - 12^{th} graders. Anime watched is considered to be rated G to PG-13.



Wednesday, November 23 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.

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



Tuesday, November 22 4-6pm, Teen Space

Drop in and try out some of your STEAM skills during our monthly Maker Challenge. Open to 6^{th} - 12^{th} graders.



Saturday, November 26, Literary Grounds

Stop by Literary Grounds in the Library's Lobby for Small Business Saturday deals on gently used books and more! Enjoy \$1 off everything in the bookstore (except book bundles and items marked \$1).



Mondays, 9:30am-12:30pm & 1:30-3:30pm, The Studio

Ames Public Library is partnering with Iowa WORKS to provide easy access to critical services in our community. Come by to speak with an Iowa WORKS Career Planner for individualized, one-on-one career services. Career Planners can assist with resumes, mock interviews, filing for unemployment, and more.



Tuesdays, 11am-2pm, 1st Floor Study Room Thursdays, 4-7pm, 2nd Floor Study Room Fridays, 11am-2pm, 2nd Floor Study Room

Ames Public Library is partnering with The Bridge Home to provide easy access to critical services in our community.

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.



Wednesdays, 11am-12pm 1st Floor Study Rooms

Ames Public Library is partnering with Lutheran Service in Iowa (LSI) to provide families with easy access to critical services in our community.

Staff from LSI will be available in the Library to assist individuals and families with free parent education, resources, and support.

A certified LSI Parent Educator can help you learn what to expect in your child's growth and development from pregnancy to birth to age five, so you can give them a great start to a bright future!

Conversation Circles at Ames Public Library

English

Mondays, 12:30-1:30pm, Danfoss Room

Gather for casual conversations in English. The focus of this group is to help English Language Learners gain confidence and fluency in a comfortable and fun setting. Library staff will pair native and non-native speakers and provide themes, questions, and topics for conversation.

Spanish: Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm

German: 2nd and 4th Wednesday of

Each Month, 7-8pm

French: Saturdays, 4-5:30pm

Board Room or Zoom

Gather (in person or online) for casual conversations in different languages. Chat in your native language or get comfortable speaking in another language.

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No Events November 11, 24, or 25

Baby Time

Tuesdays at 1:30pm Wednesdays at 11am Thursdays at 6pm 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 fun and learning.

Feel free to bring a stuffed animal or doll for the older sibling to learn along with you. Babies and caregivers are welcome to stay and play after the event!

Toddler Storytime

Mondays and Wednesdays 10:30am, Storytime Room

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

Family Storytime

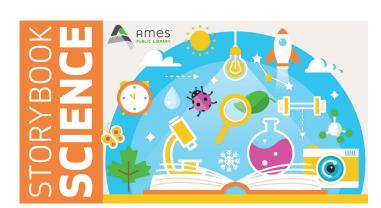
Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays 10:30am, Storytime Room

Preschool-age children and their grown-ups are invited to enjoy stories, songs, and movement activities while building early literacy skills.



Tuesdays, 11am-12pm Youth Makerspace

Drop in and enjoy this process-focused craft or activity meant for children and their grown-ups.



Fridays, 10:30am Location Varies

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



Thursdays at 4pm, Location Varies

Kids in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to the Library for a wide variety of fun activities after school on Thursdays! Our activities could include art, science, games, and more! We will also provide a small snack.

028: Real Reads

2nd Thursday of Each Month 7pm, Board Room or via Zoom

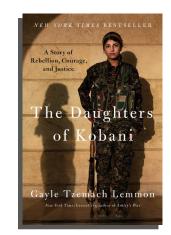
028 focuses on recently published, popular nonfiction on a variety of topics

November 10:

The Daughters of Kobani: A Story of Rebellion Courage, and Justice by Gayle Tzemach Lemmon

December 8:

About Time: A History of Civilization in Twelve Clocks by David Rooney



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View from the Margins

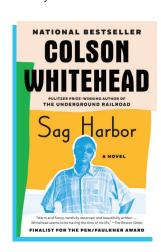
2nd Sunday of Each Month 2-4pm, Board Room or via Zoom

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.

November 13: **Sag Harbor** by Colson Whitehead

December 11: **Haben:** The Deafblind
Woman Who
Conquered Harvard
Law by Haben Girma

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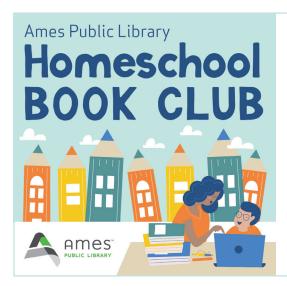


Mystery Lovers Book Club

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

Mystery readers, come talk about books by a selected author or on a theme!

November 2: Linda Fairstein • December 7: Read a food-themed mystery

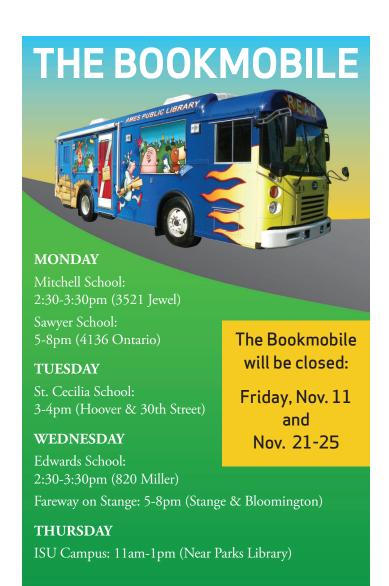


Thursday, November 10 at 10am, Rotary Room

Join Library staff for a monthly book discussion just for families that are homeschooling or learning remotely! This year, we have selected a diverse collection of books that mirror our world, with a special focus on stories about historically excluded identities and groups of people.

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.

November 10: In the Footsteps of Crazy Horse



Coming Soon

Winter Reading Challenge

December 1 - January 31

All ages can earn a prize by reading 30 days this winter! Pick up your reading log at the Library or Bookmobile, starting December 1 or sign up online at amespubliclibrary.beanstack.com.

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Nutcracker Ballet + STEM

Saturday, December 3 10:30am, Auditorium



Families are invited to the Library for a sneak peak of The Nutcracker Ballet, coming to Stephens Auditorium. Then participate in a challenge to design your own mousetrap to stop the evil Mouse King. Attendees will be entered into a drawing for free tickets to the Nutcracker performances at CY Stephens Auditorium courtesy of Iowa State Center.

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LITERARY GROUNDS

Bookstore

Shop for gentlyused books, board games, and more for all ages at Literary Grounds, located near the Library's lobby. Gift cards are available too!

Proceeds from Literary Grounds are used to enhance the Ames Public Library's services, programs, and collections.



Personalized Picks



Looking for the perfect book for a reader on your list? Fill out a Personalized Picks, and our expert librarians will curate a customized list of ideas!

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Ames Public Library connects you to the world of ideas through diverse

and inclusive resources and programs. We welcome program proposals

via our website: www.AmesPL.org.



Microsoft Publisher

1:30pm, PEO Room **Conversation Circles**

Spanish: 7-8:30pm

Board Room or via Zoom

Danfoss Room