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# LIBRARY HOURS Monday-Thursday: 9am-9pm

Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

# Macramé Exhibit

## May 1-31 Library Vestibule

This month, marvel at Artizin Studio's macramé masterpieces by Ms. Gala. Join her on May 18 for two beginner-friendly workshops.



See featured artwork by Ms. Gala on the cover of this issue of Page One.



## Saturday, May 18

Registration is required. Register early at www.AmesPL.org/events to receive a special introductory video from the presenter.

# Leaf Ornament

## 11am-12pm, Auditorium

Get started in macramé with a simple, yet beautiful project that can be used as decoration or as a scent diffuser.

# Bookmark

## 1pm-2pm, Auditorium

Get started in macramé by learning to make a stylish bookmark.





# **STUDY SPACE**

**Need somewhere quiet to get ready for tests?** We reserved space just for study time. Drop in any of the following times, or ask about our regular study rooms!

Wednesday, May 1: 12-8:45pm, Danfoss Room

**Thursday, May 2:** 9am-8:45pm, Danfoss Room

**Fri.-Sat., May 3-4:** 9am-5:45pm, Danfoss Room

**Sunday, May 5:** 1-4:45pm, Danfoss Room

**Monday, May 6:** 2-8:45pm, Danfoss Room

**Tuesday, May 7:** 9am-8:45pm, Danfoss Room

**Wednesday, May 8:** 12-8:45pm, Danfoss Room

**Thursday, May 9:** 9am-5pm, Danfoss Room

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# TAG: Teen Advisory Group

Wednesday, May 1 (normally 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Each Month) 5-6pm, Board Room

Register at AmesPL.org/events or e-mail eatwell@amespubliclibrary.org

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

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# **Teen Videogames**

**Thursdays** (Through May 9) **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.





#### Saturday, May 4, from 10am-12pm Monday, May 20, from 5-7pm Auditorium

Let your voice be heard! We are in the process of planning the future of Ames Public Library and we need your input. Drop in to share feedback with library staff and have an impact on the future of Ames Public Library!



### Saturday, May 4, from 10am-1pm North Grand Mall (2801 Grand Avenue)

Join us at North Grand Mall for a fun, family event that includes free books, early childhood resources, and a whole morning full of engaging learning activities for children ages 0-5 and their families. See you there!

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Community Preschool Center, United Way of Story County, Ames Morning Rotary, and Raising Readers in Story County.



#### Saturday, May 4 10am-12pm, Outside the Library at 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Douglas Avenue

Families are welcome to join volunteer artists from the Ames High Art Club and Bird Friendly Iowa as we paint and decorate the Library's outdoor windows. The goal of this event is to raise awareness about hazards faced by migratory birds and what we can do to protect them.

Presented in Partnership with Ames Public Library and Bird Friendly Iowa.



#### Monday, May 6 3:30-4:30pm, PEO Room

Teens are invited to a free workshop about understanding the characteristics of healthy vs. unhealthy relationships.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library, ACCESS, and YSS.

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# **Checkmate Chess Club**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month (Through May 7) 4pm, Storytime Room

Come play chess! Whether you are just a beginner or already an expert, all kids in grades 1-5 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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#### Wednesdays, May 8-29 10am-12pm, 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.

- May 8: Intro to Computers
- May 15: Intro to Web Browsers
- May 22: Intro to Computer Files
- May 29: Intro to E-mail

Join us again next month to learn about Microsoft Office software.



Working on your resume? Try this online resource free with your Library card! www.AmesPL.org/databases



## Wednesday, May 8 6-7pm, Auditorium

Join Ames Middle School students as they celebrate and demonstrate their projects from National History Day.

National History Day is a national competition that asks students to research a topic of their choice, make a historical argument related to the annual theme, and present their evidence as a website, film documentary, exhibit, performance, or research paper.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Community School District.



#### Thursday, May 9 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 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: *Mutant Mayhem* with a turtle themed activity to follow.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.



#### Thursday, May 9 7pm, Auditorium

Every child is unique, and individual temperament is one of the biggest reasons why! This 60-minute workshop will introduce the individual temperament traits and explore how your child's temperament can impact their feelings and behaviors.

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

# Teen Anime Club

Friday, May 10 (normally 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of Each Month) 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.





#### **BROWSE • CHECK OUT • GROW • SHARE**

The Ames Seed Library is a community resource that offers free vegetable, flower, fruit and herb seeds. Make sure to check it out!

# **Parenting Circle**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of Each Month (Through May 10) 9:30-10:30am, Teen Space

Parenting babies and toddlers is full of challenges.

Join this welcoming community of families as we support each other and grow together through the early



years of pregnancy, postpartum and parenthood.

Facilitated by experienced mothers and a Certified Nurse Midwife, these monthly meetups will connect families to each other and to resources and answers about birth and parenthood.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Aurelia Childbirth.

# Fiber Arts Meetup

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of Each Month (*May 11*) 10am-12pm, Rotary Room

Crafters of all ages are invited to join fellow fiber arts enthusiasts and work on their projects. Knit, crochet, embroidery, or any other fiber craft is welcome!

Please bring your own materials.





#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of Each Month (May 11) 11:30am, Storytime Room

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





#### Saturday, May 11 10am-3pm, Auditorium

Registration is required. Participants must be age 14 or older. Sign up at www.AmesPL.org/events.

Celebrate World Collage Day in Ames with a hands-on event! Local collage artists will start the day by showing examples of their work and then attendees can use provided materials to create artworks to take home.

Bring a sack lunch and good scissors, all other supplies will be provided. Email andersbond1977@gmail.com or visit kolajinstitute.org/worldcollageday for more information.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Community Arts Council, and Ames Community Arts Council artist members.

# Swift Youth Writers Group

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Each Month (*May 12*) 2-4pm, PEO Room

Teens in 6th - 12th grade are invited to escape into creative writing and connect with other teen writers. Each month attendees will be led through prompts and exercises



to help develop and stretch their creative writing skills. Attendees will be given a chance to share their work and have a chance to support others.

No experience is necessary so all skill levels are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please reach out to info@ameswriterscollective.org.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Ames Writers Collective.

# **Projects? Finals?** Achieve end of year success with Brainfuse!



## All you need is an Internet connection, computer or mobile device, and your library card.





## May 13-17, in Downtown Ames

515 Days are a spring celebration in Downtown Ames for those who live, work, and play in the 515 area code.

Join the celebration with a great deal on gently used books and more! Spend \$15 in Literary Grounds used book store and get a \$5 gift card for a future purchase! We'll also have a special Family Storytime for Family Night Thursday, May 16, at 6:30pm.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library Friends Foundation and Downtown Ames. Proceeds are used to enhance Ames Public Library's collections, programs, and services.



# **Genealogy Plus**



# IDEA Center Tour at Ames Public Library

#### Wednesday, May 15 10am-12pm, IDEA Center

We'll take a "tour" to the other end of the Ames Public Library and learn about the IDEA center. This space includes equipment to digitize old photos and slides, VHS videos, and cassette tape recordings. You will also find software like the Adobe Creative Suite and Final Cut Pro for all your editing needs.

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



#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month (*May 21*) 5pm, Auditorium

Join fellow international residents on the third Tuesday of each month for fun activities and culture-sharing.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and YWCA Ames-ISU.



# Cap & Gown Recycling

Don't need your graduation cap and gown anymore? Drop them off in the donation bin in the Library's lobby May 28 through June 2!



#### Wednesday, May 22 7pm, Auditorium or via Zoom

Register at ameshistory.org to receive the Zoom link by e-mail.

Topic — From Pioneer Tilden to National Leader Forker: Physical Education at Iowa State

Speaker — Jan Beran, Prof. Emerita, Iowa State University

From 1904 to 1944 at Iowa Agricultural College, Winifred Tilden, the first Head of the Department of Physical Culture, promoted physical activities for



IAC's female students. Her legacy was carried forward by Barbara Forker as Department Chair of Physical Education for women and later men from 1948 to 1986, becoming a much admired national leader.

Beran will relate the stories of these forward-looking women, whose impact can easily be seen today. Both were committed to promoting physical activity as part of a woman's overall lifetime health and wellness.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames History Museum.

Ames Public Library and the Bookmobile will be **CLOSED** Monday, May 27.

# **Conversation Circles**

# **English:** Mondays (canceled May 27) 12:30-1:30pm, Auditorium

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**: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of Each Month, 7-8pm

Russian: Saturdays, 3-4pm

French: Saturdays, 4-5:30pm

### Board Room or via Zoom

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





#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month (*May* 14) 9am-12pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Study Room

Staff from Aging Resources of Central Iowa will be available in the Library to provide information about maximizing the quality of life, independence, health, and safety of older adults.

Get assistance with state applications, such as applying for Medicaid, waiver assistance, food stamps, etc. and continued follow through until the process is complete. Staff can also find resources to safely stay at home or connect to resources to help with a level of care change move (nursing facility, assisted living, etc).



#### 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of Each Month 1-3pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Study Room

Staff from ACCESS will be available in the Library to provide services that enhance safety and empower survivors of domestic abuse or sexual assault. If you are dealing with sexual harassment, domestic abuse (emotional or physical), or sexual abuse, we will hold a confidential space where you can get emotional support and tips for safety planning.

We are also available to help with reporting to law enforcement, Civil No-Contact Orders, and more.



# Thursdays, 11am-1pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Study Room

Staff from Community and Family Resources will be available in the Library to provide information about addiction, substance abuse treatment, problem gambling treatment, and mental health therapy.

They can also provide assistance in getting started in any of these services including filling out some of the preappointment forms.



Tuesdays: 11am-2pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Study Room Thursdays: 4-7pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Study Room Fridays: 11am-2pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Study Room

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.

# **THE BOOKMOBILE**



#### MONDAY

Mitchell School: 2:30-3:30pm (3521 Jewel)

Sawyer School: 5-8pm (4136 Ontario) The Bookmobile will be CLOSED May 27-31.

Summer schedule begins June 3.

#### TUESDAY

St. Cecilia School: 3-4pm (Hoover & 30th Street)

#### WEDNESDAY

Edwards School: 2:30-3:30pm (820 Miller) Fareway on Stange: 5-8pm (Stange & Bloomington)

**THURSDAY** ISU Campus: 11am-1pm (Near Parks Library)

## Celebrating the Days of May

by Cassie Benning Luze, Development Director Ames Public Library Friends Foundation

As if the increasingly warmer weather and more hours of sunshine aren't enough to welcome the month of May, I've found there are oodles of special days to celebrate; in fact, every day of the month has several special celebrations.

Of course, there the big ones – Mother's Day, Cinco de Mayo and Memorial Day. But there are many others, and I bet there is something for everyone! For instance, May 1 is National Mother Goose Day, May 9 is National Make a Book Day, May 16 is National Biographers Day, and May 22 is National Sherlock Holmes Day.

Notice I've picked days that particularly lend themselves to a visit to the library. But like all the special days in May, there is something for everyone at Ames Public Library. I'm sure you can even find something to help celebrate National Nutty Fudge Day on May 12 or National Asparagus Day on May 24.

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# AAA STORYTIMES & MORE & AAA

# Regular Family Events will be on break May 13 - June 2.

# **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 Plus Thursday, May 16, at 6:30pm

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 Auditorium

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

# @ the Ice Arena

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of Each Month (May 3) 10am, Ames/ISU Ice Arena

Join Library staff at the ice arena on the first Friday of each month for a free storytime!

After the storytime, the ice arena will offer skating and children's activities on the ice for a small fee.



# MYSTERY LOVERS Book Group

## 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of Each Month 12pm, Rotary Room

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

May 1: Vivien Chien

June 5: Peter Lovesey



# VIEW FROM THE MARGINS Book Group

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Each Month 2pm, Board Room or via Zoom

Check out this book group for fresh insights and lively discussion about topics relating to society, identity, and culture.

Book selections include fiction and non-fiction from a wide variety of perspectives and marginalized identities.

May 12: **On Gold Mountain:** The One-Hundred-Year Odyssey of My Chinese-American Family by Lisa See

June 9: **Carmen and Grace** by Melissa Coss Aquino



# 028: REAL READS Book Group

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of Each Month 7pm, Board Room or via Zoom

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

May 9: Fight Like Hell: The Untold History of American Labor by Kim Kelly

June 13: **"You Just Need to Lose Weight"**: And 19 Other Myths About Fat People by Aubrey Gordon



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Shake up your shelf with the "12 to Try" Reading Challenge for adults! You'll get a free prize just for reading a book from each of 12 categories listed.

This month, we're sharing recommendations for a Fiction by an Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander author. See some on display on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, on Facebook and Instagram, and online at www.AmesPL.org/12toTry

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# LIBRARY EVENTS

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