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LIBRARY HOURS

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

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm



Sign up today!

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Do you love free stuff?
Are you between the ages of 0 and 120? Then join our Summer Reading Challenge and earn prizes for tracking your reading!

Three ways to Play:

- 1. Visit amespubliclibrary.beanstack.com
- 2. Download the Beanstack Tracker app
- 3. Pick up a Summer Reading Challenge game board at the Library or Bookmobile

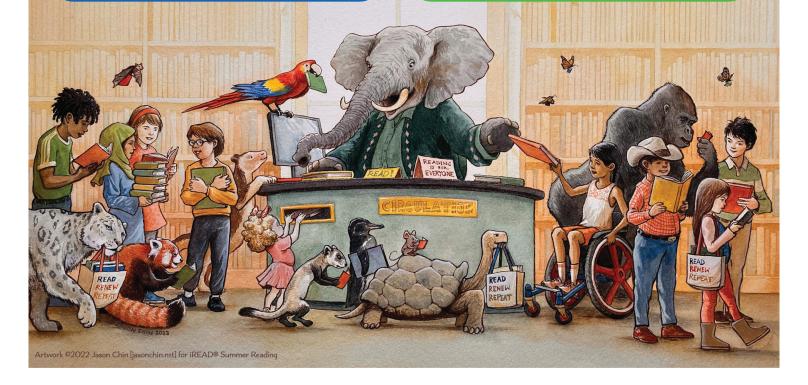
Free Summer Meals for Kids & Teens

Having a full stomach of good food is important! Eat a free lunch weekdays starting June 3 from 11:30am-12:30pm in the Library's Auditorium.

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Check out these fun events for the whole family featuring professional entertainers! Supported by Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Magician Mikayla Oz

Tuesday, June 11 10am, Auditorium 1pm, Sawyer Elementary School

Get ready for an extraordinary magic adventure with Mikayla Oz! Watch in amazement as things appear, vanish, and float—and the kids seem to make the magic happen! Don't miss the chance to see the audience favorite, Bubbles the Bird, showcase some dazzling tricks.





The Jolly Pops Concert

Tuesday, June 25 10am, Auditorium 1pm, Sawyer Elementary School

Join the Jolly Pops' Mr. Billy for a blast of high-energy music and movement!

Comedy Show with Will Stuck

Tuesday, June 18 10am, Auditorium 1pm, Sawyer Elementary School

Adventure into the absurd with a lively mix of science experiments, songs, and storytelling presented by Will Stuck. Kids and grown-ups are sure to find themselves laughing, learning, and excited about science and reading.



COMING UP:

July 9: Science Heroes with Talewise

July 16: Absolute Science Laser Show

July 23: Balloon Storytelling with Twisted Bokay

July 30: Cold-Blooded Redhead Reptile Zoo

August 6: Magician Rick Eugene Brammer



Kids in 1st - 5th grade are invited to have a blast with the Library!

Glow-in-the-Dark Party

Thursday, June 13 1:30pm, Auditorium

Wear your brightest neon colors and glow wild! We'll make crafts, slime, and more using glow-worthy materials. Then, we'll shut the lights off for a dance party under the black lights.

I Survived

Thursday, June 27 1:30pm, Auditorium

Can you survive Kids Summer Blast? Come to the Library for activities and crafts based on the "I Survived" books!



All ages are welcome to watch a movie and enjoy free popcorn at the Library!

Wish

Wednesday
June 12
6:30pm, Auditorium

(2023; MPAA Rating PG; 1h 42m)

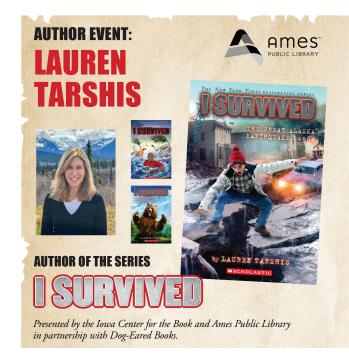
Wonka

Friday June 21 2:30pm, Auditorium

(2023; MPAA Rating PG; 1h 52m)







Monday, June 24, 10am, Auditorium

Families are invited to a free presentation and book signing with Lauren Tarshis, the award-winning author of the New York Times best-selling "I Survived" series. Each "I Survived" book explores an important historical event through the eyes of a fictional child, with the goals of building knowledge, sparking curiosity, and modeling resilience.

Books can be purchased online from Dog-Eared Books ahead of time and picked up at the event: https://dogearedbooksames.com/lauren-tarshis.

A small selection of books will also be available for purchase at the event.

KIDS CHESS CLUB

Thursday, June 6 1:30pm, Danfoss 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.

Drop in and learn how to play or make new friends with other chess lovers.

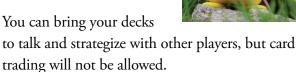
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POKÉMON CLUB

Sunday, June 9 2-4pm, Auditorium

Calling all school-aged Poké-Kids! Come learn how to play the Pokémon Trading Card Game and use a Library-supplied deck to battle other players.



Don't want to play? Come to watch others, enjoy Poké-art activities, chat with other kids, and build a supportive community of friends!

Kids ages 8 and under need to bring a caregiver along to help.

Caregivers: not sure what Pokémon is all about? This is a great opportunity to learn along with your kids!

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Wednesdays, June 19 & 26, 2pm Thursdays, June 20 & 27, 10am Storytime Room

Children of all ages are invited to drop in and read with an APL-Youth volunteer. Readers can practice their skills reading to a teen or older child. Pre-readers can enjoy being read to.

We will have lots of books to choose from, but you can bring a favorite if you like!

PARENTING CIRCLE

2nd Friday and 4th Saturday of Each Month (June 14 & 22) 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.

Come see the new play space on Ames Public Library's first floor!
Young children can practice their motor skills, while older children can
exercise their imaginations with a play kitchen and more.

FAMILY STORYTIME

Thursdays, Saturdays, and Tuesday June 4 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.

BEDTIME STORIES

Thursdays at 7:30pm, Storytime Room

Join us for a cozy version of our weekly Family Storytime. PJs optional!

STORYBOOK SCIENCE

Fridays, 10am Auditorium

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





TODDLER STORYTIME

Mondays and Wednesdays 10:30am, Storytime Room

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

BABY TIME

Tuesdays at 1:30pm Wednesdays at 11am Thursdays at 6:30pm 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!



@ the Park

Mondays starting June 10 at 10am

Join the Bookmobile and your Library friends for stories and fun activities at a park near you!

June 10: Miracle Park - Walnut Shelter (2500 Duff Avenue)

June 17: Country Gables Park
*Please note the Bookmobile will not be at this storytime. (500 Crystal Street)

June 24: Brookside Park - Maple Shelter (1325 6th Street)



Tuesday, June 4 1pm, Bandshell Park (125 E 5th Street)

The Library's Teen Advisory Group (TAG) invites all 6th-12th graders to a free tie-dye party.

Each participant will receive a white bandana to dye and take home. Participants are also welcome to bring one additional item to tie dye. Color and rubber bands are provided.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Public Library's Teen Advisory Group (TAG).

TEEN VIDEOGAMES

Thursdays 3:30-6pm, 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.



TAG: TEEN ADVISORY GROUP

2nd Wednesday of Each Month (June 12) 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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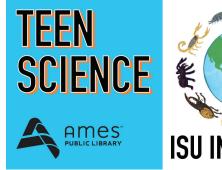


Tuesday, June 11 3:30pm, Auditorium

Teens are invited to an up close magic experience with Mikayla Oz, where sleight of hand meets mind-bending illusions.

Prepare to be amazed as objects vanish, reappear, and float before your eyes, all with a touch of Mikayla's unique charm and humor. This immersive show will leave you impressed and engaged as you witness the artistry of close-up magic.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Public Library's Teen Advisory Group (TAG).





Wednesday, June 12 2pm, Auditorium

Teens are invited to check out over 100 species of living arthropods! Knowledgeable Insect Zoo staff will talk about why our multi-legged friends are important for a healthy Earth, how you can help them in your own outdoor spaces, and how you can spread the bug love! There will be opportunities to handle millipedes, beetles, roaches, and more!

Bring in your photos of bugs to be identified or even the bug itself!

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3:30-6pm, Teen Space

Spanish: 7-8:30pm

Board Room or via Zoom

Danfoss Room



Monday, June 17 3:30pm, Danfoss Room

During this hour-long presentation we will be discussing the effects of vaping and common health conditions developing from vapes. Youth will learn the differences between vapes and cigarettes and resources youth can use to quit nicotine products.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and YSS.

TEEN ANIME CLUB

3rd Friday of Each Month (June 21) 3:30-6pm, Teen Space

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

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







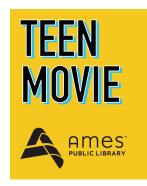
Monday-Friday, June 24-28 10am-12:30pm, Rotary Room

Register by e-mailing info@ameswriterscollective.org

Teens in 6^{th} - 12^{th} grade are invited to escape into creative writing and connect with other writers. Regardless of your genre, for five days writers will come together in a safe space to write together to writing prompts. Writers will be invited to read aloud to the group to receive positive feedback. We'll wrap up at the Free Summer Meals for Kids and Teens at 12pm.

Up to 12 spots are available so register soon by emailing info@ameswriterscollective.org.

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







Tuesday, June 25 5pm, Teen Space

Stop into the Teen Space for a movie or two during this summer with some snacks!

This Month: *The Princess Bride* (1987, MPAA Rating PG, 1h 38m)

Bright Horizons Children's Art Exhibit June 1-30, Library Vestibule Come see a display of decorative and engaging art created by children from local Bright Horizons daycare centers.



Wednesdays, June 5-26 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.

- June 5: Microsoft Word
- June 12: Microsoft PowerPoint
- June 19: Microsoft Excel
- June 26: Free Office Software





Thursday, June 6 5-8pm, Downtown Ames

Discover the artwork of dozens or artists at the annual Downtown Ames Art Walk, including painters, jewelry makers, photographers, woodworkers, potters, sculptors, musicians, and much more.

Stop by Ames Public Library to hear the School of Rock House Band!

FIBER ARTS MEETUP

2nd Saturday of Each Month (June 8) 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.



BOOKMOBILE @ THE PARK

Mondays, June 10 & 24, from 9:30-11am

Join the Bookmobile and your Library friends at a park near you!

June 10: Miracle Park (2500 Duff Avenue)

June 24: Brookside Park (1325 6th Street)





Thursday, June 13 10am-1pm, Rotary Room

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 *Ruby Gillman, Teenage Kraken* with a sea creature themed activity to follow in the Danfoss Room.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.



3rd Tuesday of Each Month (June 18) 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.



Juneteenth Celebration

Saturday, June 15 12:30-5pm, Bandshell Park

Come to Ames' annual community celebration of African American culture. Activities include entertainment, children's activities, food, the Bookmobile, and opportunities to personally connect with local artists, businesses, and local organizations.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the NAACP.

Juneteenth Movie: The Lion King (1994)

Saturday, June 15 7-9pm Ames City Auditorium

Come to a free movie night as part of this year's Juneteenth celebration. We'll watch the 1994 animated *Lion King* (MPAA Rating G, 1h 28m) in the Ames City Auditorium.



TECH TUTOR







Schedule a one-on-one technology help appointment. Library staff can introduce you to the Library's online resources, help you set up your accounts and devices, or help you get started in the IDEA Center!

E-mail webref@amespubliclibrary.org or call (515) 239- 5646 ext. 4 to schedule an appointment.



Tuesday, June 25, 7pm, Auditorium

Get ready for a plant-tastic adventure for all ages! Whether you're just starting out with houseplants, or you've been nurturing green pals for years, join us for a fun-filled session where you'll learn everything from keeping pests at bay to giving your leafy friends the perfect nourishment. We're not stopping at the basics—get ready to dive into the exciting world of repotting, where you'll learn how to give your plants the space they need to spread their roots and flourish.

Whether you're a kid, a grown-up, or somewhere in between, this event is sure to help you grow your green skills and turn your home into a vibrant oasis.

Plant Swap

Do you love plants and want to share one of your own or diversify your current collection? Join us before and after our Happy Houseplanting session for a plant swap! You can pick up a plant, share cuttings, or drop off a plant you'd like to give away. Please bring a labeled bag or container for your plant/cutting. (You are not required to bring a plant/cutting to participate in the swap.)

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Back Alley House Plants.



NEW HOURS: Starting June 3, the IDEA Center will be staffed Monday-Friday from 12-4pm with extended hours Wednesdays until 8pm. During these times, a library staff member will be available for assistance. Please reserve a time slot at www.AmesPL.org.

The IDEA Center is also open for reservations by those who can use it independently during all Library hours.



Wednesday, June 26 10am-12pm, Danfoss Room

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

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



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 Wednesdays

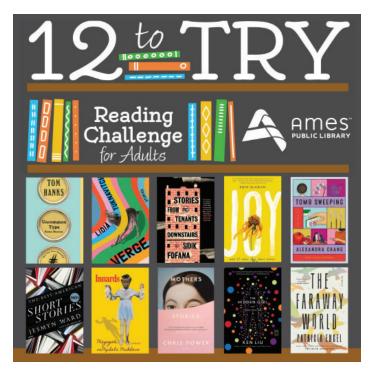
of Each Month, 7-8pm

Russian: Saturdays, 3-4pm

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.



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 collections of short stories or essays. Try one by an author you haven't read before! See some on display on the 2nd floor, on Facebook and Instagram, and online at www.AmesPL.org/12toTry

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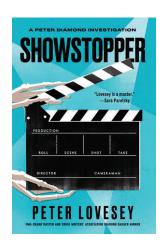
MYSTERY LOVERS Book Group

1st Wednesday of Each Month 12pm, Rotary Room

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

June 5: Peter Lovesey

July 3: Mysteries in Transit— Trains, Planes, Boats, & Automobiles



VIEW FROM THE MARGINS Book Group

2nd 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.

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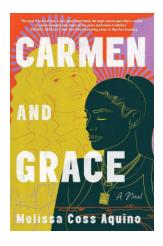
Carmen and Grace

by Melissa Coss Aquino

July 14: **Hula**

by Jasmin `lolani Hakes

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028: REAL READS Book Group

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

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

June 13:

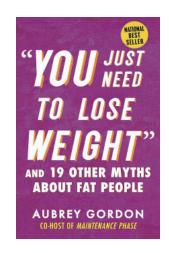
"You Just Need to Lose Weight":

And 19 Other Myths About Fat People by Aubrey Gordon

July 11:

An Immense World:

How Animal Senses Reveal the Hidden Realms Around Us by Ed Yong



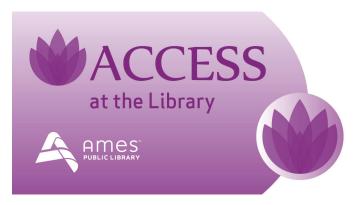
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2nd Tuesday of Each Month (June 11) 9am-12pm, 2nd Floor Study Room

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).



1st and 3rd Wednesdays of Each Month 1-3pm, 2nd 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 2nd 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, 1st Floor Study Room Thursdays: 4-7pm, 2nd Floor Study Room Fridays: 11am-2pm, 2nd 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.



WEDNESDAY

Fareway on Stange: 5-8pm (Stange & Bloomington)

THURSDAY

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

Visit the Bookmobile at special events, like June 22 Farmers' Market and more!

Chevron-REG, Mary Greeley Medical Center, and APLFF Provide Meals for Kids

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

Hooray—school's out! That means lots of fun in the sun and fun at the Library. The Library's program schedule is bursting at the seams during the summer months.

But we know that for some school-age youth, "no school" can mean "no lunch." Having a full stomach is important! That is why Ames Public Library is committed to our summer lunch program. No-cost lunches for youth 18 years and younger are available all summer long on weekdays from 11:30am to 12:30pm in the Library's Auditorium. (Meals for adults accompanying youth are \$3.50.) We anticipate providing more than 4,500 lunches this summer!

This year's summer meals are made possible by generous gifts from Chevron-REG and Mary Greeley Medical Center. They know how vital good nutrition is, especially for growing bodies and minds. We are very grateful for their support and proud to be their partners in this important program.

We are grateful for your support, too. Your generosity helps make all kinds of great things possible at the Library. You can make a gift by visiting Ames Public Library Friends Foundation online at APLFF.org.

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515 Douglas Avenue • Auditorium

Sunday

JUNE 30

12:30-3:30pm

\$2 Admission

Free admission and early entry starting at 12pm for current donors to the APLFF at the \$20 level and above.

Mon. & Tues.

JULY 1 & 2

9am-6pm FREE Admission





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