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Ames Public Library Hours  
Monday-Thursday: 9am - 9pm  
Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm  
Sunday: 1pm - 5pm
For more locations, see the Bookmobile Schedule inside this newsletter!

AYREHEART Early Music Ensemble  
Saturday, April 6  
10am, Auditorium
Meet Grammy-nominated lutenist Ronn McFarlane and the other extraordinary musicians of Ayreheart, as they introduce you to the vibrant music and fascinating instruments of the Renaissance.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Town and Gown. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Drag Show
SATURDAY, APRIL 6  
LIBRARY AUDITORIUM
All Ages Performance:  
6:30-7:15pm
Teens-Only Performer  
Round Table: 7:15-7:45pm
Teens-Only Performance:  
8-9pm
Come to a free, family-friendly evening of music and dance by local professional and amateur drag performers, including performances by local youth. The evening will begin with an all-ages party, then transitions to teens only. Enjoy the sparkles, costumes, free snacks, and mingling!

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Pride.

GARDENING BOOK SALE  
April 12-14  
Literary Grounds During Library Open Hours
Stop by Literary Grounds for great deals on gardening books! Select books are half price on Sunday.
Presented by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation. Proceeds from the Book Sale are used to enhance Library programs and services.

Hansel and Gretel  
Friday, April 26  
4pm, Auditorium
Engelbert Humperdinck’s Hansel and Gretel has delighted opera goers for over 100 years. All ages are invited to share the adventures of the precocious Hansel and Gretel through the enchanting forest, ending at the evil witch’s gingerbread house in this free one-act (80 minutes) performance.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University - Opera Studio.
HIV Prevention in Uganda
Tuesday, April 2, at 7pm, Auditorium
The prevalence of HIV among the married is on the rise and estimated at 7% in Uganda. Agaba Johnpaul will discuss male participation in the prevention of mother to child transmission of HIV, the most common route of HIV infection for HIV positive children under five years. Agaba Johnpaul has a Masters in Public Health, Bachelor of Laws, and BA in Economics and Gender. He is a Ugandan lawyer and visiting Fulbright scholar at the College of Saint Rose in New York and Regis College in Massachusetts.
Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Center for Sustainable Rural Livelihoods, ISU African and African American Studies Program, ISU Department of Political Science, ISU Department of World Languages and Cultures, and ISU Women and Gender Studies Program. Supported by the Fulbright Outreach Lecturing Fund.

Arabic Language Workshop
Wednesdays, April 3 through May 8
5:30-7pm, Rotary Room
This six-part workshop will focus on teaching the Arabic alphabets and simple vocabularies and phrases to make beginner students familiar with the language and its concepts. Please register on the Library’s online calendar at www.amespubliclibrary.org.
Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Middle East Learning & Cultural Center (MELCC).

IowaWORKS Career Fair
Wednesday, April 3
10am-12pm, Auditorium
Learn about job opportunities and meet with local employers at this free career fair. Bring copies of your resume and dress to impress!
Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Chamber of Commerce, and IowaWORKS.

"Re-Imagining Leopold" Art Exhibit
April 8-22 in the Gallery
View works by Kevin Lair and read selections of writing edited by Kathranne Knight; each were part of the original exhibit at the Iowa State University Museum’s ReACT Gallery last fall.
Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Friends of Ada Hayden Heritage Park, Creative Writing & Environment at ISU, Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture, Outdoor Alliance of Story County, Story County Conservation, The Sustainable Agriculture Student Association (SASA) - ISU. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.
Ames Historical Society Lecture Series

Cheers to 50 Years! Stephens Auditorium Marks a Milestone

Wednesday, April 24
7pm, Auditorium

Tammy Koolbeck, Executive Director of Iowa State Center will talk about Stephens Auditorium.

Since its debut in 1969 on a former cornfield, the Auditorium has hosted performances as diverse as pop music, classical symphonies, ballet, and wrestling meets! Hear known and not-so-well-known behind-the-scenes stories about this remarkable building as it marks its first 50 years.

Watch for more topics this spring and summer.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Ames Historical Society.

Living with Art

Cultural Beads

Thursday, April 11, at 7pm, Auditorium

Adrienne Gennett and Chris Martin will present "Cultural Beads." There will be time for questions following the lecture. Watch for more topics this spring and summer.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Historical Society, Iowa State University Library, and University Museums.

Psychology in Everyday Life

Monday, April 29, at 7pm, Auditorium

Explore some basic psychological principles that you can apply to everyday life in this new lecture series.

This month, we'll talk about fake news. ISU graduate students in psychology will share how to tell the difference between real and fake news, why people fall for it, and a brief history on the use and prevalence of fake news in the media.

Watch for more topics this fall.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and ISU Graduate Students in Psychology.

Community Action Poverty Simulation

Saturday, April 27, 9am-1pm, Auditorium

Participants in this simulation will play the roles of families "living on the edge" and attempt to provide a living for their family just above the poverty level. Afterwards, there will be a facilitated discussion between service providers about the challenges in our community. All supplies and information will be provided. Contact anne.owens@vcstory.org for more information. To register, go to www.bit.ly/PovSimFamilyRoles.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Human Relations Commission, Inclusive Ames, and The Volunteer Center of Story County.

Big Bluestem Audubon Society Presentation

Iowa – Portrait of the Land

3rd Thursday of Each Month
7pm, Auditorium

Aldo Leopold said “The landscape of any farm is the owner’s portrait of himself.” Larry Stone, lead writer for Iowa Department of Natural Resources award-winning book Iowa – Portrait of the Land, will give this month’s presentation at the Library. Stone’s presentation, like the book, tells the story of the rich land that became our state. It explores Iowa’s geological foundation, its natural communities, the history of its peoples, our precious wild places, the past abuse of our resources, and the challenges of sustaining this land that gives us life.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Big Bluestem Audubon Society. Supported by Humanities Iowa a private, non-profit state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Y our Historians

From Reformers to Revolutionaries

Monday, April 22
7pm, Auditorium

Hear free, fascinating lectures by faculty of ISU’s Department of History. Stay for a Q&A session and refreshments after the presentation.

This month, Bonar Hernandez will present “From Reformers to Revolutionaries: Religion, Class, and Ethnicity in Guatemala during the Cold War.” The final lecture in our spring series will be Monday, May 6.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Iowa State University, Iowa State University Department of History, and Iowa State University Library.
Writing Groups

Inkspots
3rd Wednesday of Each Month, 1:30-3pm, The Studio
This writers' group meets monthly to discuss and gently critique members' writing. For more information, please visit the Library's Adult Services Desk or call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4.

Write in the Heart of Iowa
1st and 3rd Saturday of Each Month, 10am-12pm, The Studio
Write in the Heart of Iowa is a community critique group dedicated to helping writers reach their goals. This drop-in writing group is open to writers of all genres. Bring up to 5 pages (double-spaced) of your manuscript, bring a pen, and be ready to critique.

Art Club
3rd Tuesday of Each Month, 1-3pm, Board Room
Discuss art, artists, and creativity. This is a great opportunity to share your work and get some suggestions and gentle critiques. Feel free to bring an art project to work on (using non-messy materials).

Meetups for All Ages

Crochet & Knitting Group
2nd & 4th Saturdays of Each Month
10am-12pm, PEO Room
All ages are invited to hang out and knit or crochet. Bring your own materials.

Play Games Ames
4th Saturday of Each Month
2-5pm, Auditorium
Play Games Ames is a fun and social environment to interact through friendly competition. All ages are welcome to play, chat, or watch. Experienced board gamers will be on hand to teach you how to play a variety of games.

Technology Help

Apple Users Group
Every Friday
10am-12pm, The Studio
The purpose of the group is to support and improve participants' use of Apple technology—iPhone, iPad, and Mac specifically. Participants can bring questions or issues they have with using Apple devices.

PC Help Sessions
1st Friday of Each Month
10:30am-12pm, Board Room
Learn and share tips and ideas for using personal computers (PCs) with Microsoft Windows. Participants can bring questions or issues they have with using a Windows PC.

Computer Basics
Tuesdays, April 9-30
10am-12pm, PEO Room
Drop into any of our computer classes! 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.

April 9: Intro. to Computers
April 16: Web Browsers
April 23: Computer Files
April 30: E-mail
Watch for a series of classes about office software coming in May!

Computer & Research Help Genealogy Group
4th Wednesday of Each Month, 10am-12pm, Auditorium
Stop into a monthly meetup to get help with your genealogy research, genealogy software and writing your family story.
Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Story County Genealogical Society
Monthly Book Discussions

028: Real Reads
2nd Thursday of Each Month
7pm, Location Varies

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

April 11
American Radical: Inside the World of an Undercover Muslim FBI Agent by Tamer Elnoury

May 9
Notes on a Foreign Country: An American Abroad in a Post-American World by Suzy Hansen

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Books @ Noon
4th Wednesday of Each Month
12pm, The Studio

Share what you’ve read recently—fiction or nonfiction—and hear about what everyone else is reading. Be prepared to give a brief description and your opinion about one or two books you’ve listened to or read.

Great Books 1
Sunday, April 28 (Usually 3rd Sunday of Each Month)
2-4pm, Board Room

Call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to register or learn more.
Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Great Books 2
1st Sunday of Each Month
2-4pm, Board Room

Looking for a new book group where you can discuss classic short stories and essays? You might like our newest group, which focuses on short works recommended by the Great Books Foundation.

Call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to register or learn more.
Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Mystery Lovers Book Club
1st Wednesday of Each Month
12pm, Rotary Room

Mystery readers, come talk about books by a selected author.

April 3: Nevada Barr
May 1: Jacqueline Winspear

Just for Teens

Drop-In Crafts for Teens
Monday-Friday in the Teen Space
During Teen Space Open Hours
Stop by and craft something you can take with you.
Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Teen Advisory Group (TAG)
1st and 3rd Saturday of Each Month
11am-12:30pm, Board Room
Help plan exciting library events for teens, share what you’re reading, and make new friends. There’s free pizza, too!
Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Teen Writers’ Workshop
2nd Sunday of Each Month
2-4pm, Board Room
6th-12th graders, join author David Zimmerman for writing exercises designed to finesse your creative writing skills.
Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University’s Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing and Environment.

Parents & Parents-To-Be

Best Start Breastfeeding & Next Step Pumping Class
3rd Monday of Each Month, PEO Room
Breastfeeding: 6-7:30pm
Pumping: 7:35-8:35pm
Join us for a free two-part prenatal class on breastfeeding and pumping. Come to one or both parts. Support persons are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to AmesBreastfeedingHelp@yahoo.com.
Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA), and Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).

Mama Milk Meetup
3rd Thursday of Each Month
6:30pm, The Studio
All nursing moms and moms-to-be are invited to a breastfeeding café. Children are welcome!
Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA), and Ames Loving Support.

The Mothering Circle
1st and 3rd Thursday of Each Month
9:30am, Teen Space
All mothers are invited to come together to connect, explore issues, deepen intuition, and share their parenting journeys. We will address the needs and concerns of each mother so she can find compassionate support and inspiration.
The Bookmobile

Check out Library materials for all ages at any of the Bookmobile’s weekly stops.

MONDAY
Sawyer School, 5-8pm (4316 Ontario)

TUESDAY
St. Cecilia School, 3-4pm (Hoover Avenue & 30th Street)

WEDNESDAY
Edwards School, 1:45-2:45pm (820 Miller Avenue)
Ames Middle School, 3-4pm (3915 Mortensen Road)
Fareway on Stange, 5-8pm (Stange & Bloomington)

THURSDAY
ISU Campus, 11am-1pm (Near ISU Library)
Mitchell School, 3-4pm (3521 Jewel Drive)
Ames Christian School, 4:30-6pm (925 South 16th Street)

Visit the Bookmobile at the Eco Fair
Saturday, April 20 from 9am until 1pm at the Community Center Gymnasium.
Events for Families

STEM in the Library

Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23
5:30-6:30pm, Youth Services Area

Join ISU Mathematics students for a series of fun Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math activities throughout the youth area. Get hands on and explore how math fits in our world.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University School of Education: Mathematics Education.

6th Grade Battle of the Books

Thursday, April 4
Starting at 4pm, Auditorium

Everyone is invited to come watch teams of local 6th graders battle it out with a book trivia contest.

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Ames Middle School Poetry Showcase

Sunday, April 7, at 1:30pm, Auditorium

April is National Poetry Month! Ames Middle School Poets will present their spoken word poetry.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and AMP-Ames Middle Poetry.

Homeschool Inventor's Fair

Friday, April 12
5-6pm, Auditorium

Sign up to create a display for the Library’s Inventor’s Fair!

Each child or family group will choose a favorite inventor to study and learn about OR become an inventor yourself. Create a display about your person or a way to show off your invention. On April 12, we’ll showcase our work and have fun sharing what we’ve discovered.

Visit www.amespubliclibrary.org/events/inventor for more information.

Story Time with Ames Author and ISU Alum

Derek Anderson

Saturday, April 13

Hansel and Gretel

Friday, April 26 at 4pm, Auditorium

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Drawing with Betsy

1st Wednesday of Each Month
4pm, Youth Makerspace

Learn how to create your own pencil drawings! This workshop is perfect for beginners in upper elementary through middle school.
**Tail Waggin’ Tales**

1st Tuesday of Each Month  
10:30am, Storytime Room

Get ready to clap your hands and wag your tail! Tail Waggin’ Tales is a highly interactive storytime for children ages 0-5 with their grown-ups. This program uses simple activities and early education topics to introduce children to the basics of responsible pet care, dog body language, and companion animal welfare. Kids also meet and pet therapy dog Marmalade.

_Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Plucky Paws._

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**World Language Storytimes**

**Chinese Storytime**

3rd Saturday of Each Month  
11:15am, Storytime Room

Join us for a free storytime in Chinese!

_Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Chinese Language Academy._

**Spanish Storytime**

2nd Saturday of Each Month  
11:15am, Storytime Room

Native Spanish speakers will share stories and activities in Spanish.

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**Science Technology Engineering Math for Homeschoolers**

1st Thursday of Each Month  
10am, Auditorium

Ames Public Library's monthly events for Homeschoolers focus on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). Activities are geared toward K-5 students but all ages are welcome to join us.

The theme for Thursday, April 4 will be "Chemistry: Identifying Substances."

_Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and ISU Extension & Outreach._

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**Storytimes & More**

*No evening storytimes Thursday, April 4.  
No storytimes Friday, April 5.*

**Baby Time**

Tuesdays at 1:30pm  
Wednesdays at 11:05am  
Thursdays at 6pm

**Storytime Room**

Bring your prewalker for books, songs, baby sign language, and more. Join with other caregivers and their pre-walkers and older siblings for 20 minutes of conversation and play.

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**Toddler Time**

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays  
10am, Storytime Room  
Tuesdays at 1pm, Storytime Room

Join us for 20-25 minutes of music, books, and early literacy activities perfect for toddlers and their families.

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**Family Storytime**

Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays  
10:30am, Storytime Room

Children of all ages are invited to this interactive program to build listening, language, and literacy skills. Families are welcome to stop into Maker Morning right after Family Storytime for a fun craft activity!

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**Maker Morning**

Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays  
11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace

Drop in to this process-focused craft activity for toddlers, preschooler, and their caregivers. We supply the materials.

_Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation._

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**Milk & Book-ies**

Thursdays at 6:30pm, Storytime Room

Stop in for 30+ minutes of fun STEAM activities along with milk and cookies.

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**Saturday Family Fun**

Saturdays at 10:30am, Storytime Room

Join us for special events to boost different early literacy skills and have fun!

April 6: Play with Me  
April 13: Sing & Dance with Me  
April 20: Write with Me  
April 27: Read with Me
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**Library Events April 2019**

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.