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FEBRUARY 2020

BLACK ARTS AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

Feb. 8-9
2020

GRAPHIC NOVEL
Book Club *for Kids*

SPRING BOOK SALE

Earth Day 2020 events

JUST MERCY Discussion

and more inside!



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Schedule at the end of this newsletter!

Ames Public Library Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9am - 9pm

Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

Ames Public Library BOOK SALE

Presented by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation. Proceeds are used to enhance Library programs and services.

Thursday, Feb. 13: 5:30 - 8:30pm

Admission \$2

Free admission and early entry starting at 5pm for donors to the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation at the \$20 level and above.

Friday, Feb. 14: 9am - 6pm

Free admission

Saturday, Feb. 15: 9am - 6pm

Free admission

Sunday, Feb. 16: 12 - 5pm (Note special time for Sunday)

Admission \$1 & everything is free!

(Auditorium only)

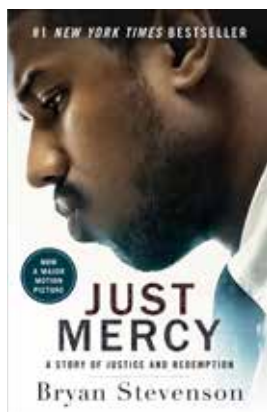
"Just Mercy" Discussion

**Tuesday, February 4
5:30-8pm, Auditorium**

Seen the movie? Read the book?
Come discuss *Just Mercy* at the
Ames Public Library.

Enjoy refreshments at 5:30pm and
the discussion at 6pm.

*Provided in partnership with Ames Public
Library, Iowa State University Black Faculty and
Staff Association, and the Iowa State University
Department of Diversity and Inclusion.*



Learn at the Library

Psychology In Everyday Life

Monday, February 10

7pm, Auditorium

Topic -- Cognitive Psychology & Neuroscience

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

Graduate Students in Psychology and Neuroscience will hold a
panel to explore the interconnections of cognitive psychology
and neuroscience.

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

Film Showing

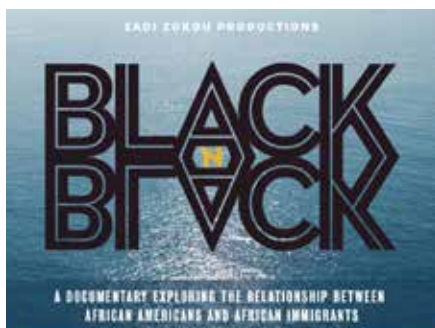
Black N Black

**Saturday
February 29
2pm
Auditorium**

Black N Black is
a documentary
that explores
the relationship
between African
Americans and African immigrants to the United States.

Although both communities originated from the African
continent, their view of each other is often fueled by
stereotypes and misconceptions. Filmed in the US, Ghana
and Ivory Coast, the documentary presents compelling facts
and thoughtful opinions intended to spark discussion and
learning about each other as a means of building strong and
authentic relationships.

*Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Ames Community
School District.*



Redefining Math

Wednesday, February 12

7pm, Danfoss Room

Do you hate math? Do you dread helping your child with
math homework?

Teens and adults are invited to a workshop to learn about
mathematics and how your negative experiences impact
your learning.

The workshop will be presented by Michael Young, an
Associate Professor of Mathematics at Iowa State and Juergen
Kritschgau, a fourth year Mathematics PhD student at Iowa
State University.

Your Historians

Tuesday, February 18

7pm, Auditorium

Hear free, fascinating lectures by faculty of ISU's Department
of History. This month, Crystal Brandenburgh will present
"Carrie Chapman Catt and the Nineteenth Amendment."

*Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University Department
of History.*





EARTH DAY²⁰²⁰

Help Ames Public Library commemorate the 50-Year anniversary of Earth Day and 10 years of the City of Ames EcoFair.

Common Ground Initiative

Wednesday, Feb. 12: 1pm-3pm

Thursday, Feb. 13: 1pm-3pm

Monday, March 9: 10am-12pm

Thursday, March 12: 1pm-3pm

Rotary Room

Story County Conservation is joining in a project of the Iowa Association of Naturalists inspired by the Storycorps project on National Public Radio. Naturalists and volunteers will record participants' experiences, memories and stories about their relationship with nature and the outdoors in Iowa.

To reserve a time slot, please e-mail rbeall@storycountyia.gov. Drop-ins are also welcome, as time permits.

Check <http://bit.ly/CommonGroundProject> for additional opportunities to participate either at the Ames Public Library or in other locations throughout the county. Or record and upload your own stories to the project.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Story County Conservation.

Outdoor Alliance Presentation

Winter & Wildlife presented by Ty Smede

Wednesday, February 19

7pm, Auditorium

While spring is a time of renewal, summer a time of plenty, and fall a season of transition, winter is a challenging time of hardship and adaptation for Midwestern wildlife.

This presentation will discuss the many challenges faced by wintering wildlife and we will view images demonstrating their adaptability and will to survive.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Climate Action Team, Outdoor Alliance of Story County, and Story County Conservation.



ECOCHATS



Join us for monthly EcoChats leading up to the 10th annual City of Ames EcoFair and the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. Each EcoChat focuses on a different topic, and includes high-energy, short presentations from local experts and city staff followed by time to chat with the presenters as well as with community organizations and vendors interested in the topic. Presentations begin at 7pm.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, City of Ames, the Green Umbrella, and the ISU Office of Sustainability Live Green! Initiative. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Water

Wednesday, February 26

6:30-8:30pm, Auditorium

- Conserving Water One Drop at a Time
- Flint, Michigan: Could it Happen in Ames?
- How to Create a Healthy & Sustainable Lawn
- Agricultural Watershed Conservation Practices



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Monday, March 30

6:30-8:30pm, Auditorium

- Composting Pilot Program Update
- Apartment & Backyard Composting
- Zero Waste Lifestyle
- How Do I Dispose of This?



Big Bluestem Audubon Society Presentation

Seasons of Wildlife presented by Eric Williamson

Thursday, February 20

7pm, Auditorium

Come take a look at the four different seasons and what animals can be found. Eric Williamson will share information about photography and field equipment and take us behind the scenes to understand how his photos were taken.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Big Bluestem Audubon Society.

University Museums: Go Beyond the Glass



**Monday, February 24
7pm, Auditorium**

Join us at the Library for presentations about art collections on display at University Museums. This month Lynette Pohlman and Sarah Bartlett will talk about: "Japanese Doll Festivals and the Early Collecting Passion of Ann Brunnier."

The Brunnier Art Museum began with a donation of over 30,000 decorative arts and dolls from Ann Brunnier who amassed the collection over 55 years. Mrs. Brunnier began her collecting passion by first assembling her doll collection that later expanded to include decorative arts from Asia, Europe, South America and North America. Learn about Ann Brunnier's Collection as well as the significance and cultural use of the festival dolls.

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

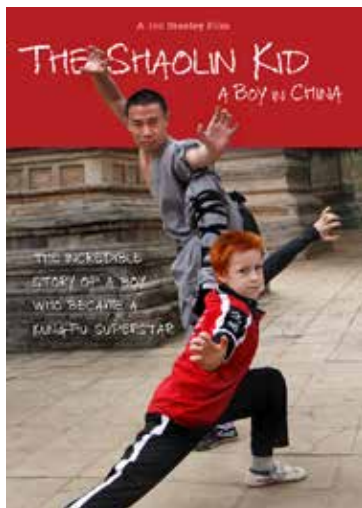
Asia in Film

The Shaolin Kid

**Tuesday, February 25
6:30pm
Rotary Room**

Andre, an eight-year-old American boy, has just one dream: to be a Kungfu master like Jackie Chan. When he is offered the chance to enter the legendary Shaolin Temple, his father must make the heartbreaking decision to leave the mother behind and follow his son to China. While father and son face the unknown together, the mother must now face life without her family. All three members of the family—husband, wife and son—now face their own unique set of challenges along this martial arts journey.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Asiatic Philharmonia Society, and the Durbin-Zheng Family. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.



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, Rotary Room**

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, a pen, and be ready to critique.



Conversations in...

American Sign Language

**1st Thursday of Each Month
at 6:30pm, Danfoss Room**

English:

**Mondays at 11:30am, Auditorium
Tuesdays at 6pm, The Studio**

New time!

French:

Saturdays at 4pm, Location Varies

Russian:

Saturdays at 10am, Location Varies

Spanish:

Tuesdays at 7pm, The Studio

Gather for casual conversations in different languages. Chat in your native language or get comfortable talking in another.

Looking to Learn a Language?

Learn online with the Library's subscription to Little Pim, Mango Languages, and Transparent Language!

Get into Genealogy



Genealogy Plus Newspaper! Find Your Ancestors

3rd Wednesday of Each Month
10am-12pm, Auditorium

Newspapers! Oh, the gems that can be found in them when working with your genealogy. This session is going to explore many, many WOWS beyond just those vital dates of born, married, died. Delve into the modern equipment used for the farm and home, clothing styles, decorating fads, and more. Think of that old newspaper as the Facebook of their time!

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

Genealogy Help Session

4th Wednesday of Each Month
10am-12pm, Danfoss Room

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.

Looking for free genealogy resources? Visit www.amespubliclibrary.org, go to "Learn and Explore" and click on "Online Learning."

Regular Book Discussions

028: Real Reads

2nd Thursday of Each Month at 7pm, Board Room

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

February 13

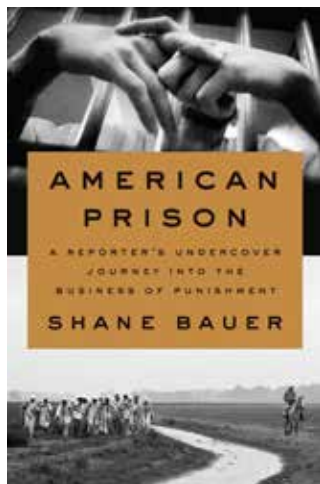
American Prison:

A Reporter's Undercover Journey into the Business of Punishment
by Shane Bauer

March 12

The Great Quake: *How the Biggest Earthquake in North America Changed Our Understanding of the Planet*
by Henry Fountain

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.



Great Books 1

3rd Sunday of Each Month
2-4pm, Board Room

Come discuss classic short stories and essays 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.

Great Books 2

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

View from the Margins (note date and room change)

Sunday, February 2
2-4pm, The Studio

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.

Books @ Noon

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

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.

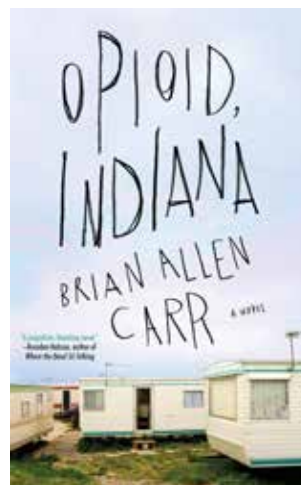
Mystery Lovers Book Club

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

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

February 5: Kerry Greenwood

March 4: Sara Paretsky



Registration required.

Call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to register or learn more.

Join us to reflect on the following titles:

February 2:

(note date change)

Opioid, Indiana

by Brian Allen Carr

March 8:

Divided We Stand

by Marjorie Spruill

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div>BLACK ARTS AND MUSIC FESTIVAL</div> <div>February 8-9</div> <div>SATURDAY MORNING</div> <div>Storytime 9:30am, Storytime Room</div> <div>Printmaking Based on the Art of Elizabeth Catlett 10:15-11am, Youth Makerspace presented by Jamila Johnson for grades 1-5</div> <div>Sorcery: The Path to Making Magical Hip-Hop 11-11:45am, Teen Space presented by SLICE the Celestial Sorcerer for teens</div> <div>Paper Art Demo 11-11:45am, The Studio presented by Juliana Jones for teens and adults</div> <div>SATURDAY AFTERNOON</div> <div>Saturday Kickoff AHS Step Team (dance) K.U.B. (music) 12:30pm, Auditorium</div> <div>Artist Talk: Jamie Malone 1:30pm, Grand Staircase Gallery</div> <div>SLICE the Celestial Sorcerer (music) Theo Muhammad (dance) 2pm, Auditorium</div> <div>Artist Talk: Cameron Gray 3pm, The Gallery</div> <div>Colo Chanel (music) 3:45pm, Auditorium</div> <div>Artist Talk: Juliana Jones 4:30pm, The Studio</div> <div>SUNDAY EVENTS</div> <div>Sunday Kickoff AHS Step Team (dance) 1:30pm, Auditorium</div> <div>Artist Talk: Amara Agba Artist Talk: Jamila Johnson 2pm, Youth Services</div> <div>Jazzy Johnson (spoken word) Reverend Doctor (music) 3pm, Auditorium</div> <div>ARTIST EXHIBITS</div> <div>February 2-15 throughout the Library</div> <div>KEY</div> <div>Colors: All Ages/Mix Family Event Teen Event Adult Event</div> <div>Symbols: Registration Required</div> <div>1</div> <div>Conversations in Russian 10am, The Studio</div> <div>Write in the Heart of Iowa 10am-12pm, Rotary Room</div> <div>Saturday Play Date: Sing & Dance with Me 10:30am, Storytime Room</div> <div>Teen Advisory Group 11am-12:30pm, Board Room</div> <div>U.S. Census 2020 Job Recruitment 1:30-4:30pm, PEO Room</div> <div>Youth Graphic Novel Book Club 2pm, Danfoss Room</div> <div>Saturday Science Scene 2pm, Storytime Room</div> <div>Movie Showing: Best of Enemies 2-4pm, Auditorium</div> <div>Conversations in French 4pm, The Studio</div>						
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Black Arts and Music Festival Exhibit Opening February 2-15 Library	Toddler Time 10am, Storytime Room	Toddler Time 1pm, Storytime Room	Toddler Time 10am, Storytime Room	The Mothering Circle 9:15 & 10:30am, Teen Space	Toddler Time 10am, Storytime Room	Black Arts and Music Festival See above
Great Books 2 2-4pm, Board Room	Conversations in English 11:30am, Auditorium	Baby Time 1:30pm, Storytime Room	U.S. Census 2020 Job Recruitment 10am-2pm, PEO Room	STEM for Homeschoolers 10am, Auditorium	Apple Users Group 10am-12pm, The Studio	Conversations in Russian 10am, Danfoss Room
View from the Margins 2-4pm, The Studio		"Just Mercy" Discussion 5:30-8pm, Auditorium	Family Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room	Family Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room	Family Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room	Crochet & Knitting Group 10am-12pm, PEO Room
		Conversations in English 6pm, The Studio	Baby Time 11am, Storytime Room	Maker Morning 11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace	Maker Morning 11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace	Saturday Play Date: KidsFit Club 10:30am, Storytime Room
		Conversations in Spanish 7pm, The Studio	Maker Morning 11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace	Baby Time 6pm, Storytime Room		Tween Roleplaying Club 2-4pm, Danfoss Room
			Mystery Lovers Book Club 12pm, Rotary Room	Milk & Book-ies 6:30pm, Storytime Room		Conversations in French 4pm, PEO Room
			Teen Slime of the Month 4-5:30pm, Teen Space	Conversations in ASL 6:30-8pm, Danfoss Room		
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Black Arts and Music Festival See above	Toddler Time 10am, Storytime Room	Super Heroes from the Bible 10:30am, Auditorium	U.S. Census 2020 Job Recruitment 9am-1pm, PEO Room	Family Storytime Maker Morning Baby Time Milk & Book-ies See above	Book Sale 9am-6pm, Auditorium	Book Sale 9am-6pm, Auditorium
Teen Writers' Workshop 2-4pm, The Studio	Conversations in English 11:30am, Auditorium	Toddler Time 1pm, Storytime Room	Toddler Time Family Storytime Baby Time Maker Morning See above	Common Ground Recording Sessions 1-3pm, Rotary Room	Toddler Time 10am, Storytime Room	Conversations in Russian 10am, The Studio
	Psychology in Everyday Life 7pm, Auditorium	Baby Time 1:30pm, Storytime Room	Common Ground Recording Sessions 1-3pm, Rotary Room	Ames Public Library Friends Foundation 4pm, Danfoss Room	Apple Users Group 10am-12pm, The Studio	Write in the Heart of Iowa 10am-12pm, Rotary Room
		Conversations in English 6pm, The Studio	Redefining Math 7pm, Danfoss Room	Book Sale 5:30-8:30pm, Auditorium	Family Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room	Saturday Play Date: Write with Me 10:30am, Storytime Room
		Conversations in Spanish 7pm, The Studio		028: Real Reads 7pm, Board Room	Maker Morning 11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace	Teen Advisory Group 11am-12:30pm, Board Room
						Conversations in French 4pm, The Studio
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Book Sale 12-5pm, Auditorium	Library CLOSED	Toddler Time 1pm, Storytime Room	Toddler Time Family Storytime Baby Time Maker Morning See above	The Mothering Circle 9:15 & 10:30am, Teen Space	Toddler Time 10am, Storytime Room	Conversations in Russian 10am, The Studio
U.S. Census 2020 Job Recruitment 1:30-4:30pm, Rotary Room		Baby Time 1:30pm, Storytime Room	Genealogy Plus 10am-12pm, Auditorium	Family Storytime Maker Morning Baby Time Milk & Book-ies See above	Apple Users Group 10am-12pm, The Studio	Crochet & Knitting Group 10am-12pm, PEO Room
Chinese Storytime: Springtime Celebration 2-4pm, Storytime Room		Conversations in English 6pm, The Studio	U.S. Census 2020 Job Recruitment 10am-2pm, PEO Room	Mama Milk Meetup 6:30pm, The Studio	Family Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room	Saturday Play Date: Read with Me 10:30am, Storytime Room
Great Books 1 2-4pm, Board Room		Conversations in Spanish 7pm, The Studio	Inkspots 1:30-3pm, The Studio	Big Blue Audubon Society Presentation 7pm, Auditorium	Maker Morning 11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace	Play Games Ames 2-5pm, Auditorium
		Your Historians 7pm, Auditorium	Teen Craft of the Month 4-5:30pm, Teen Space	Board of Trustees 7pm, Board Room		Tabletop RPG 2-5pm, Auditorium
			Orientation for Child Care Ready Workshop Series 6:30pm, PEO Room			Conversations in French 4pm, The Studio
			Outdoor Alliance Presentation 7pm, Auditorium			
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
U.S. Census 2020 Job Recruitment 1:30-4:30pm, Rotary Room	Toddler Time 10am, Storytime Room	Toddler Time 1pm, Storytime Room	Toddler Time Family Storytime Baby Time Maker Morning See above	Family Storytime Maker Morning Baby Time Milk & Book-ies See above	Child Care Ready Workshop Series 9am-6pm, Rotary Room	Child Care Ready Workshop Series 9am-6pm, Rotary Room
	Conversations in English 11:30am, Auditorium	Baby Time 1:30pm, Storytime Room	Genealogy Help Session 10am-12pm, Danfoss Room	Teen Movie & Oreos 4-6pm, Teen Space	Sensory Storytime 9:15am & 3:30pm Storytime Room	Conversations in Russian 10am, The Studio
	Best Start Breastfeeding & Next Step Pumping Class 6-8:30pm, PEO Room	Conversations in English 6pm, The Studio	U.S. Census 2020 Job Recruitment 10am-2pm, PEO Room		Toddler Time 10am, Storytime Room	Saturday Play Date: Count with Me 10:30am, Storytime Room
	University Museums: Go Beyond the Glass 7pm, Auditorium	Asia in Film 6:30pm, Rotary Room	Books @ Noon 12pm, Rotary Room		Apple Users Group 10am-12pm, The Studio	Film Showing: Black N Black 2-4pm, Auditorium
		Conversations in Spanish 7pm, The Studio	EcoChats -- Water 6:30pm, Auditorium		Family Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room	Conversations in French 4pm, The Studio
					Maker Morning 11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace	

If you are a person with a disability who requires special assistance, please call (515) 239-5646 in advance of a program.

Technology Help

Apple Users Group

Every Friday, 10am-12pm, The Studio

Come to the Library to get support and improve your use of Apple technology—iPhone, iPad, and Mac specifically. Participants can bring questions or issues they have with using Apple devices.

1-on-1 Tech Tutor

Need help using the library's e-books or streaming services? Schedule a one-on-one technology help appointment. Library staff will introduce you to the Library's online resources, help you set up your accounts and devices, and offer troubleshooting to make our e-resources work for you!

Visit the Library's Adult Services Desk or call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to schedule an appointment.

Get Creative

Crochet & Knitting Group

2nd & 4th Saturdays of Each Month
10am-12pm, PEO Room

All ages are invited to hang out and knit or crochet. Please bring your own materials.



Meetups for Gamers

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.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Play Games Ames.



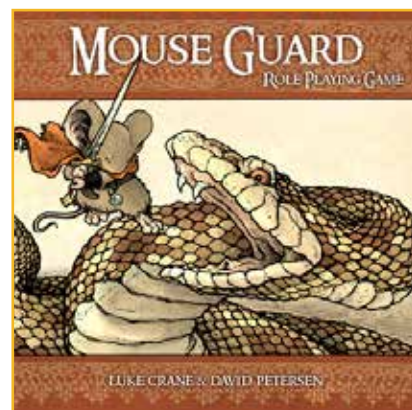
Tabletop RPG

4th Saturday of
Each Month
2-5pm
Auditorium

All ages are invited to join a Mouse Guard Role Playing Game.

In this game, players are part of an elite squad of patrol mice who protect and assist their fellow mice. Players will actively help to create a unique story involving their characters. Cooperation, problem solving, imagination, and a sense of exploration are encouraged!

A Game Master will be available to help new players and guide the story.



Tween Roleplaying Club

2nd Saturday of Each Month
2-4pm, Danfoss Room

2nd-6th graders are invited to play a tween-friendly version of *Dungeons and Dragons* at the Library.

If you are new to the group, please come 30 minutes early to create your character.



Just for Teens

Movie Showing -- **The Best of Enemies**

(2019, MPAA rating: PG-13) 2h 13m

**Saturday, Feb. 1
2-4pm
Auditorium**

See the movie based off the popular book *The Best of Enemies: Race and Redemption in the New South* by Osha Gray Davidson. Stay after for a post-movie discussion.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Ames Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).



Teen Writers' Workshop

**2nd Sunday of Each Month
2-4pm, Board Room (note room change)**

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.

Teen Craft of the Month

**Wednesday, February 19
4-5:30pm, Teen Space**

Teens, come make a fun craft each month!
This February, we'll be making a Minecraft Plush.

Teen Movie & Oreos: **Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark**

(2019, MPAA rating: PG-13)
1h 45m

**Thursday,
Feb. 27
4-6pm,
Teen Space**

Teens come enjoy a movie and snacks.



TEEN SLIME of the Month

**Wednesday, February 5
4-5:30pm, Teen Space**

Teens, come make a different slime each month!
This February, we'll be making Minecraft Slime.

Child Care Ready Workshop Series

**February 28-29 & March 6-7
9am-6pm, Rotary Room**

Are you interested in becoming a certified daycare provider or renewing your license?

Join us for an exciting opportunity that will help potential early childhood professionals be able to complete training components and be ready to submit a completed application to the Iowa Department of Human Services or an existing licensed child care center.

To RSVP for this series of workshops, or if you have questions about the Child Care Ready program, contact Julie Davis at (515) 371-0525 or jdavis@orchardplace.org.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Child Care Resource & Referral of Central Iowa, and Iowa Works.

Orientation for Child Care Ready Workshop Series

**Wednesday, February 19
6:30-8:30pm, PEO Room**

Join us to hear all about the upcoming Child Care Ready workshop series. You will have the opportunity to sign up for the upcoming workshops at this event – so be sure to come and learn all about what it takes to make a difference in the life of young children!

Parents & Parents-To-Be



Best Start Breastfeeding & Next Step Pumping Class

Monday, February 24
PEO Room

Breastfeeding: 6-7:30pm
Pumping: 7:30-8:30pm

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.

This event occurs every other month.

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
9:15 & 10:30am, 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.

YOUTH Graphic Novel BOOK CLUB

Saturday, February 1
2pm, Danfoss Room

Title -- *Amulet: The Stonekeeper* by Kazu Kibushi

Do you love graphic novels? Upper elementary kids are invited to join the Youth Graphic Novel Book Club. Each month we will discuss a specific title and enjoy activities.

Stop by the youth desk to pick up a free copy of the next graphic novel.

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

SATURDAY SCIENCE SCENE

Saturday, February 1
2-3:30pm, Storytime Room

Families are invited to join us for fun science experiments and engineering projects that engage the imagination.

Afterwards, attendees will have the opportunity to explore the science behind each activity and check out related books.



1st Thursday of Each Month
10am, Auditorium

Ames Public Library and ISU Extension & Outreach are teaming up to bring you a school year of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)! This event is perfect for homeschool families. Activities are geared for K-5 students, but all ages are welcome!

This month, come learn about the topic – Play with your Food: Popping Popcorn.

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

Chinese Storytime: Springtime Celebration

Sunday, February 16
2pm, Storytime Room



Come celebrate the new year with a brief introduction video about the Year of the Mouse and make a mouse keychain craft.

Monthly Storytimes

Super Heroes from the Bible

2nd Tuesday of Each Month
10:30am, Auditorium

Enjoy a storytime featuring Bible storybooks and a craft.

Sensory Storytime

4th Friday of Each Month
9:15am & 3:30pm, Storytime Room

Families are invited to a special sensory storytime for all children, but especially welcoming to those with autism or other sensory processing disorders.

Expectations and activities will be shared at the beginning to help guide the child and caregiver through the experience.

Weekly Storytimes & Crafts

Baby Time

Tuesdays at 1:30pm
Wednesdays at 11am
Thursdays at 6pm
Storytime Room

Bring your pre-walker 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.

Caregivers and babies are invited to stay after the storytime for more play time and socialization.



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!

Saturday Play Date

Saturdays at 10:30am, Storytime Room

Join other children and their adult caregivers and play with us as we learn through books, songs, crafts, and games!

Feb. 1: Sing & Dance with Me

Get your blood pumping and explore fun instruments, rhythm, and motion at our monthly dance party.

Feb. 8: KidsFit Club

Join us one Saturday each month for a KidsFit Club day with Hy-Vee's nutrition and exercise experts.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Lincoln Center Hy-Vee.



Feb. 15: Write with Me

Use your imagination and creativity to tell stories of all kinds.

Feb. 22: Read with Me

Come enjoy some fun stories and boost your reading skills.

Feb. 29: Count with Me

Explore math through books and activities.

Maker Morning

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

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

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Milk & Book-ies

Thursdays
6:30pm, Storytime Room

Stop in for a fun story, song, and STEM activities along with milk and cookies.



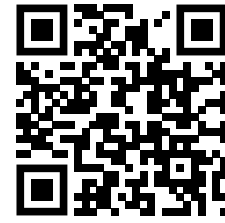
Toddler Time

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

Join us for 20-25 minutes of music and a book, while building early literacy skills perfect for toddlers and their families.

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The Bookmobile

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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)

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