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**Ames Public Library will be
CLOSED Monday, May 31.**

Photo: Artist Jill Wells



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LIBRARY HOURS

Mon, Wed, Fri, & Sat: 9am - 6pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 9am - 9pm

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm



Starting May 10, Ames Public Library will be **open 9am-9pm Monday through Thursday**, and Library visits will no longer have a time limit! (Weekend hours are unchanged.)

ECOCHATS



Tuesday, May 4, at 7pm, via Zoom

TOPIC: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!

Join Bill Schmitt, Superintendent of Ames' Resource Recovery Plant, and guest speakers to learn about the waste hierarchy model. This model is founded on the principle of waste prevention, which discourages consumerism and encourages reusing or donating items, buying in bulk, reducing packaging, redesigning products, and reducing toxicity.

Other topics will include programs offered by the City of Ames such as glass recycling, metal recycling, composting rebate, household hazardous waste, and the Food Waste Diversion program.

Learn more at www.amespubliclibrary.org/ecochats.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the City of Ames.

Improved Wildlife Habitats in Ames

Saturday, May 15, at 2pm, via Zoom

Ames Middle School students will share why birds are essential parts of our ecosystem. Climate change has had a large effect on birds, from changing their migration patterns to preventing them from finding food.

Learn how you can help keep up bird populations in Ames by building birdhouses as wildlife habitats!



Find out more at visit www.amespubliclibrary.org/events.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Middle School.

MORE THAN MONOLITHS



ARTIST TALKS
with CAMERON GRAY

Local artist Cameron Gray will host conversations with featured artists, diving into the beauty of Black creators and their creations. Each discussion will identify and explore how the featured artist defines themselves and their practice—whether they imbue their creations with an understanding of Blackness from their discipline, images of the Black body, historical American aspects of Blackness, or the beauty of African influence.

This project aims to dispel the notion of Blackness as a single monolithic experience, just as art can't be reduced to a single form, media, or subject.

Artist Talk with JILL WELLS

Thursday, May 27, at 7pm, via Zoom

Iowa based artist, painter, muralist, and collagist Jill Wells is best known for her dynamic and colorful narrative paintings investigating race, history, stereotypes, accessibility, and the human condition.



For more information, find us on Instagram or visit www.amespubliclibrary.org/MoreThanMonoliths.



Saturday, May 15, in Downtown Ames

515 Day is a new spring celebration for those who live, work and play in the 515 area code on 5/15. Activities in Downtown Ames will include family-friendly activities, live music, specials and sales, and more! Be sure to check out what's happening at the Library at 515 Douglas Ave.

515 Day is presented by Downtown Ames and U.S. Bank.

Genealogy *PLUS*

Wednesday, May 19

10am, via Zoom

Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

Topic: Adding Stories to Your Genealogy

Speakers: Patricia Rose Ballard Coffie

Each monthly Genealogy PLUS event features an hour-long presentation by an expert followed by a study session.

Genealogists cover the facts—names, dates, places, documents—but stories tell who people were and how they lived. Join Patricia Rose Ballard Coffie in considering the why and how of adding stories to your genealogy.

Using facts, research, and memories, Patricia will share her own family stories including My Mother's Afghan and show her three favorite ways to make easy work of gathering the bits of information and making them into stories.

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



May 17-21

High school students have teamed up with middle school students and businesses to demonstrate how science is everywhere. Event information will be posted on at www.amespubliclibrary.org/events.



LECTURE SERIES

Tuesday, May 25, at 7pm, via Zoom

Register at www.ameshistory.org

Topic: First Ladies: More Than the Women Behind the Men

Presenter: Diana Carlin, professor emerita of communication, St. Louis University

The position of first lady is not outlined in the Constitution or constituted by law. There are no guidelines and no salary. Since Martha Washington, each woman who served took on similar responsibilities and brought their own experiences and interests to the position. They mirrored their times but also broke out of them to help shape women's place in society. Carlin looks at the role's development by highlighting some of the most influential first ladies.

Diana Carlin has taught about and researched first ladies since the 1990s. She is the author or co-author of book chapters on Martha Washington, Lady Bird Johnson, Barbara Bush, Hillary Clinton, and Michelle Obama.

Learn more at www.amespubliclibrary.org/HistoryLectures.

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



Tuesdays and Fridays at 10am on Facebook

Join us for a storytime with your local librarians at www.facebook.com/AmesPublicLibrary or visit bit.ly/APLvideos for recorded storytimes!

T.A.G. Teen Advisory Group

**1st and 3rd Thursday of Each Month
7pm, via Zoom**

Help plan exciting Library events for teens, share what you're reading, and make new friends. For more information, e-mail jheid@amespubliclibrary.org.



Mondays, May 3-24 at 11am, via Zoom
*Registration Required for Each Week **

Play, dance, and sing together on Zoom! Families with young children (especially preschool age) are invited to online play dates featuring music and movement.

Daycare providers interested in this program should contact smyles@amespubliclibrary.org.

Summer is Coming



Get ready for a colorful summer of reading, activities, and fun for all ages! It all starts June 1!

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Online Book Discussions

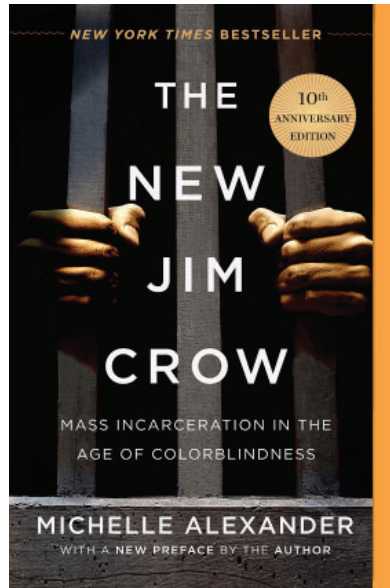
028: Real Reads

2nd Thursday of Each Month, 7pm, via Zoom
Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

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

May 13:

The New Jim Crow: *Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*
by Michelle Alexander



June 10:

Midnight in Chernobyl: *The Untold Story of the World's Greatest Nuclear Disaster*
by Adam Higginbotham

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Books @ Noon

E-mail Book Group

Share what you've read recently—fiction or nonfiction—and hear about what everyone else is reading. E-mail webref@amespubliclibrary.org to join.

Mystery Lovers Book Club

E-mail Book Group

Share your thoughts about books by a selected author!
E-mail webref@amespubliclibrary.org to join.

May: Barbara Hambly

June: Peter Tremayne

Great Books 1

3rd Sunday of Each Month, 2-4pm, via Zoom
Registration Full

Great Books 2

1st Sunday of Each Month

1-3pm, via Zoom

Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

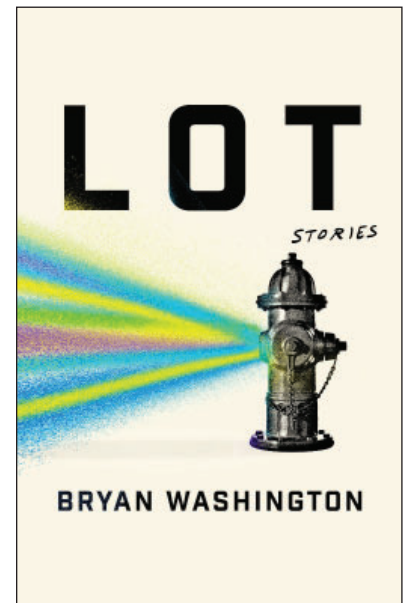
Come discuss classic short stories and essays recommended by the Great Books Foundation.

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View from the Margins

2nd Sunday of Each Month, 2-4pm, via Zoom
Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

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.



May 9:

Lot: Stories

by Bryan Washington

June 13:

Children of the Land by Marcelo Hernandez Castillo

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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