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ShelfLife

Library News and Events



On the cover: *Ophelia* by Romanelli in 1902, located in the Downtown Library.

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A New Year! A New Newsletter! ShelfLife!

The St. Joseph Public Library would like to wish all of our patrons a very Happy New Year! As we were thinking ahead to 2016, we started to give some thought to how we could better get the word out about our wonderful services and programs we offer at the library. We asked ourselves, how can we help patrons and staff know about all our amazing programs and events in one easy format? What did we come up with? Well...

Let me be the first to welcome you to the brand new library newsletter, ShelfLife. You hold in your hands a publication full of helpful and exciting information. No longer a monthly publication, the new format will come out six times per year. This means you get two months' worth of programming information at once. Take a look and start planning your new year agenda!

Here is what you can expect with each issue of ShelfLife:

- Library locations, phone numbers and hours.
- A list of board members.
- A list of current donations and volunteers.
- A 2 month, at-a-glance calendar of events covering all four library branches.
- Detailed information about all programs and events for children, teens, adults and families.
- Pictures of things happening in the library.
- Informational articles regarding services, materials, staff and library news.
- Much, much more!

From your St. Joseph Public Library staff we wish you a Happy New Year!

Crystal Stuck
Community Services and Promotions Coordinator

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

January 1 - New Year's Day

January 17 & 18 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

February 14 & 15 - Presidents' Day

STORYTIMES

Introduce your children to books and reading at our fun storytimes. Experience a lively mix of stories, songs, rhymes and crafts that make this a special time for you and your child.

Washington Park

For children ages 3 to 6.

Approximate running time is 45 minutes.

Sign up is not required, but is appreciated.

Mondays, February 22 - April 11 @ 10 a.m.

East Hills Library

Recommended for children 6 and younger.

Approximate running time is 35 minutes.

Tuesdays, February 2 - April 19 @ 10 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

Downtown Library

For children ages 3 to 6.

Approximate running time is 45 minutes.

Thursdays, February 18 - April 21 @ 10:30 a.m.

East Hills Shopping Center

Storytime with Will

Located near the carousel.

Recommended for children 6 and younger.

Approximate running time is 35 minutes.

Tuesday, February 16 @ 11 a.m.



SJPL Online

Visit

sjpl.lib.mo.us

Access the:

- Online Card Catalog
- The Kids' Page
- The Reference Page
- Calendar of Events
- Multiple Databases
(including legal forms,
genealogy research,
practice exams,
language learning and
more!)
- Digital Archives
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Reading Pups!



The First Saturday
of Every Month
from 10 a.m.-Noon

Children are more at ease reading aloud to a friendly dog than to a human.

The **Domesti-PUPS** organization is continuing their partnership with the East Hills Library to offer children a way to improve their reading skills in a unique and fun environment. This program utilizes therapy dogs as the listeners for children of all ages and reading levels. For more information on the **Domesti-PUPS** organization visit: www.domesti-pups.org/.



The Return of the Cabin Fever Reading Program



Shake off those winter blahs by joining Cabin Fever, a reading incentive program for the whole family, at the East Hills Library. Running January 11 through February 5, families participate by logging the time spent reading together and completing planned activities at home or the library. As they complete the program, families earn chances to win a family prize pack. The prize is awarded on February 8.

During Cabin Fever the East Hills Library will provide extra activities and special shows geared toward the entire family. A complete list of these events will be posted the first week of January.

Register your family for the Cabin Fever Reading Program by visiting the East Hills Library anytime from January 11 to February 5. A "family" consists of at least one adult and one child. Some of the individual events will also require advance registration. For more information contact Will Stuck at 236-2136.

Children's Programs

Unless noted these programs are intended for children 1st-6th grade.

Washington Park

Tricky Tuesday Valentine Craft - Join us after school and make some LOVE-ly crafts.

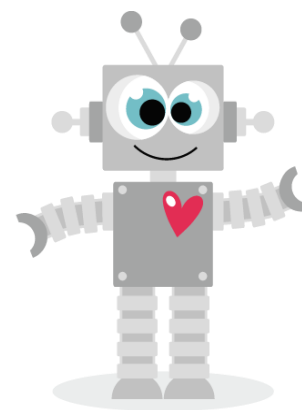
Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

Tuesday, February 9 @ 3:30 p.m.

Tricky Tuesday BINGO! For Kids - We're playing BINGO and yes, there will be prizes!

Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

Tuesday, February 23 @ 3:30 p.m.



Downtown Library

Robots, Foiled Again! - This fun art program will have kids tinkering away as they draw their ultimate ideas for robots on aluminum foil. Enjoy stories about robots as you create your own...will your robot be used for good or for world domination?! **Sign up is required.**

Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

Thursday, February 25 @ 4 p.m.

Children's Programs

Unless noted these programs are intended for children 4th-6th grade.

East Hills Library

Tween Scene (4th-6th grade)

Finger Knitting Scarf - Learn to make these easy and fun scarves. Supplies provided. **Sign up is required.**

Approximate running time is 45 minutes.

Thursday, January 21 @ 4 p.m.

Marshmallow Catapults - Learn to make a simple catapult that is perfect for launching minimarshallows. Attack!!! Supplies provided. **Sign up is required.**

Approximate running time is 45 minutes.

Thursday, February 4 @ 4 p.m.

Newsprint/Comics Fingernails - Make your fingers look well read and stylish. Supplies provided. **Sign up is required.**

Approximate running time is 45 minutes.

Thursday, February 18 @ 4 p.m.



Teen Programs

Unless noted these programs are intended for children 7th-12th grade

Downtown Library

Monthly Teen Book Club - Come to the teen book club for interesting book discussions, crafts and treats.

Saturday, January 16 & February 20 @ 11 a.m.

Valentines for Vets - Supplies and refreshments provided. Please join us in honoring our Veterans at the VA home in Cameron by making a handmade valentine for them. Community Service hours available.

Tuesday, January 19 @ 3:30 p.m.

Creative Comics Club - Open to teens 12-18 years old. The primary focus of the club is comic-based art, but other art techniques will be explored. All supplies provided.

Thursday, January 14 & February 11 @ 4 p.m.

Anime Club - Open to teens 12-18 years old. Join the Anime Club and explore all things Anime & Manga!

Thursday, January 21 & February 18 @ 4 p.m.



SJPL Staff Book Review

**The Sasquatch
Escape: Book 1 of the
Imaginary
Veterinary by
Suzanne Selfors**

Reviewed by:

Jen Wildhagen, Downtown
Library

This book was a hoot. It is a great book for kids in 3rd grade and up. The premise is that young Ben has to go stay for the summer with his grandpa he barely knows. Grandpa Abe lives in Buttonville, once home to a big button factory, but now basically a retirement community. ...What's he going to do? Head to the Senior Center with his grandpa every day? He has no idea that he may be headed for the most interesting and exciting summer of his life. It all starts when Grandpa Abe's cat drags home what looks suspiciously like a baby dragon.

Read the full review at

sjplreads.blogspot.com



Have you heard about...

S.T.A.M.P.S?



S.T.A.M.P.S. is a monthly email that features a complete list of the upcoming month's programs and events at all four of the St. Joseph Public Libraries.

To sign up for this email and others:

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2. Click on the "Newsletters" link on the top of the page.
3. Select the newsletters that you are interested in.
4. Enter your email address.
5. Click "Subscribe".

It is that simple!

Teen Programs

Unless noted these programs are intended for children 7th-12th grade

East Hills Library

Annual Winter Lock-in - Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be locked in the library overnight? It's FUN! **Sign up, along with a filled out and returned permission slip is required.**

Friday, January 15 @ 9 p.m. - Saturday, January 16 @ 8 a.m.

Mohawk Beanie Caps - Rock out in these simple, yet awesome caps. **Sign up is required.**

Approximate running time is 45 minutes.

Thursday, January 28 @ 4 p.m.

Chocolate Lovers Voting Summit - Join us for the important task of determining the best chocolate to give on Valentine's Day.

Sign up is required.

Approximate running time is 45 minutes.

Thursday, February 11 @ 4 p.m.

Friendship Wrapped Ear Buds - By wrapping your ear bud cords you can help prevent tangles. Learn how at this program. You bring your ear buds and we'll provide the embroidery floss. **Sign up is required.**

Approximate running time is 45 minutes.

Thursday, February 25 @ 4 p.m.



Family and All Ages Programs

Downtown Library

Monthly LEGO Club - LEGO enthusiasts from kindergarten and up are welcome to join us each month.

Tuesday, January 5 @ 6:30 p.m. - Theme: 1900-1999 Events

Tuesday, February 2 @ 6:30 p.m. - Theme: Horses/My Little Pony



East Hills Library

Family Movie Nights - Snacks and drinks with lids are welcome at this monthly film program.

Monday, January 11 @ 6:30 p.m. - Around the World in 80 Days - PG - 120 min, 2014

Monday, February 8 @ 6:30 p.m. - Mary Poppins - G - 140 min, 1964

Get Help Downloading Library Books and Magazines to Your Electronic Devices at the East Hills Library



Did you receive a Kindle, iPad or another type of tablet or eReader for Christmas? Do you have questions about how to download library books? If so, plan on attending a drop-in session held every Tuesday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the lobby of the East Hills Library. Librarian, Crystal Stuck, will be available each week to assist users with downloading electronic books, magazines and audiobooks.

Adult Programs

Downtown Library

Local History Stage - Held across the street from the Downtown Library at the Joyce Raye Patterson Senior Center, 100 S. 10th Street. This monthly program features presenters discussing different aspects of local history. Everyone is invited to attend and we'll have refreshments. Come early and enjoy lunch from 11:00 - 12:30 for \$5.00.

-Wednesday, January 13 @ 1 p.m. – Fort Smith, presented by Sarah Elder, Curator of Collections for the St. Joseph Museums. The fortification, under Union control during the Civil War, accommodated 2,500 troops and 12 cannons. Sitting atop Prospect Hill and overlooking downtown St. Joseph, the fort was rediscovered in 2003 and opened to the public in 2013.

-Wednesday, February 10 @ 1 p.m. – Black History in St. Joseph, MO presented by Greg Olson. Mr. Olson is currently writing a book about Jeffrey Deroin, the slave of St. Joseph's founder Joseph Robidoux.



Adult Coloring Program- Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the world, and color! Supplies and light refreshments provided.

Tuesday, January 12 @ 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. – Theme: Winter.

Tuesday, February 9 @ 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. – Theme: Valentines.

SJPL Staff Book Review

Black-Eyed Susans by Julia Heaberlin

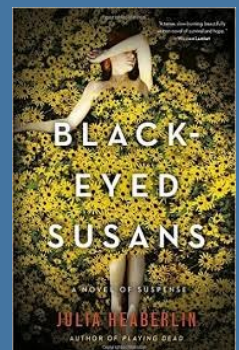
Reviewed by Shirley
Blakeney East Hills
Library

What happened to Tessa when she was sixteen was truly the stuff of nightmares. Now 20 years later the wrong man may be executed for the crime. So Tessa has to go back in time, has to find a way to remember details she has spent a lifetime trying to forget.

If you like psychological thrillers you will love this book. Beautifully written, fast paced, with lots of twists and turns, Black-Eyed Susans is a read-in-one-sitting book that you don't want to end, even though it's also sad and disturbing, and makes you want to scream at Tessa to just do what needs to be done, even though you're pretty sure that if it happened to you, you would probably do the same.

Read the full review at

sjplreads.blogspot.com



Did you know?

In 2013 the East Hills Library received a gift from St. Joseph Sertoma Club to benefit the hearing impaired.

The club installed a hearing loop that works with T-coils and cochlear implants. The hearing loop provides wireless amplification to boost the sound to the two devices. It was the first such hearing loop in St. Joseph. T-coils may need to be activated by your audiologist. What is Looping? Looping is a simple technology that allows hearing assistive devices to serve as wireless loud-speakers, delivering clear, sharp, customized sound right from inside the ears.



MOVIES!

Downtown Library

This event is intended for anyone 17 and over. It is free and no registration is needed. Free popcorn provided and drinks with lids are welcome.

Fourth Monday of the Month @ 5:30 p.m.

January 25 – **Grease** - PG-13- 110 min, 1978

February 22 - **The Notebook** - PG-13 - 123 min, 2004

East Hills Library

Friends Front Row Tuesday Night Film Series with movie critic, Bob Schultz. Free popcorn provided and drinks with lids are welcome.

Every Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.

January 5 – **Mister Roberts** - NR- 103 min, 1952

January 12 - **The Score** - R - 125 min, 2001

January 19 – **Fried Green Tomatoes**– PG-13 - 130 min, 1990

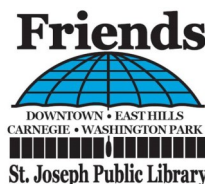
January 26 - **The Elephant Man** - PG- 119 min, 1980

February 2 – **The Hunt for Red October** - PG- 135 min, 1990

February 9 - **The Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** - R - 108 min, 2004

February 16 – **Sunset Boulevard** - NR - 110 min, 1950

February 23 - **High Noon** - PG– 85 min, 1952



Make sure to check the Family section of this booklet for even more movies!

East Hills Library

Adult Coloring Night - Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the world, and color! Supplies and light refreshments provided.

Monday, January 11 @ 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

To Be a Kid Again! - Relive some favorite activities from childhood at these **adult only** programs. **Sign up is required.**

Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

Thursday, February 4 @ 6:30 p.m. - Sculpt with Play-Doh.

Thursday, February 11 @ 6:30 p.m. - Make a mess and some art with finger paints and water colors.

Thursday, February 18 @ 6:30 p.m. - Build with LEGO bricks.

Thursday, February 25 @ 6:30 p.m. - Unleash your creative side with glitter, feathers, construction paper and more!

BACKSTORIES

Backstories is a new monthly program at the East Hills Library. Each month we will be visited by an area musician and hear their music, the story behind their songs and their musical inspiration. Light refreshments provided.

Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

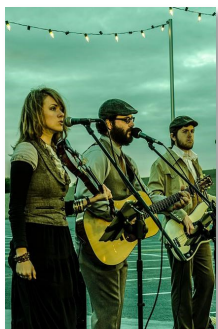
Monday, January 25 @ 7 p.m.

Marcus Words has been amazing crowds in St. Joseph, MO venues for nearly a decade. Upon relinquishing electric bass and backing vocal duties, Marcus picked up an acoustic guitar and began writing his own material. What resulted was a unique brand of pop, mixed with funk and rock, which combined to provide a musical foundation for his powerful, soulful vocals. He is the perfect performer to begin our series.



Monday, February 22 @ 7 p.m.

The Center State is a local folk group. The band formed in 2012 and has been creating music and playing frequently in the surrounding areas of St. Joseph and Kansas City. Their first album, *Close Enough to Miss*, has been described as “Part acoustic pop music, part troubadour with a silky lament, and one part organic Americana, the album is a great first step into folk music.”



**Thursday,
January 14
@ 7 p.m.**



The East Hills Library will show “Amazing Grace,” a 30-minute documentary exploring the life, challenges and success of Missouri attorney Grace Day. The daughter of Polish immigrants, Day grew up in a small town in Iowa working in her father’s shoe store with the dream of something more. When she decided to attend law school in 1948, she was the lone woman and endured torment from her male peers who believed women did not belong in the legal industry. Grace went on to become one of the first female lawyers in St. Joseph.

You’ll fall in love with Grace Day, a woman who won over her enemies and blazed a path for future women lawyers.

Thank you!

We appreciate these supporters for their volunteer work in November 2015.

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These Friends of the St. Joseph Public Library members and volunteers sorted books for future book sales:

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BOOK CLUBS

Washington Park Library

First Tuesday of the Month @ 2 p.m.
Contact Karen (232-2052) for more info.
January 5: *Soldier's Wife* by Margaret Leroy
February 2: *After This* by Alice McDermott

Carnegie Library

First Thursday of the Month @ 5:30 p.m.
Contact Sue (238-0526) for more info.
January 7: *A Moveable Feast* by Ernest Hemingway
February 4: Book to be announced.

Downtown Library

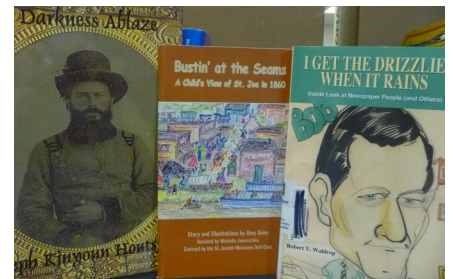
Fourth Monday of the Month @ 7 p.m.
Contact Mary Beth (232-7729) for more info.
January 25: *A Man Called Ove* by Frederik Backman
February 22: *Let Me Die in His Footsteps* by Lori Roy

East Hills Library

Fourth Wednesday of the Month @ 10 a.m.
Contact Shirley (236-2136) for more info.
January 27: *Euphoria* by Lily King
February 24: *Big Little Lies* by Liane Moriarty

Special Book Sale in January at the Downtown Library

The Friends of the St. Joseph Public Library will be holding a book sale of unique, older or local interest items at the Downtown Library, 927 Felix Street. The sale will be held during library hours for two weeks starting Monday, January 11 and ending Saturday, January 23. The sale will be closed on Sundays and Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on January 18. While there will be some specially priced items, most items will be \$2. Cash, checks and credit cards will be accepted. Proceeds from the sale help fund Summer Reading Programs for all ages at the four library branches. For more information about the Friends of the St. Joseph Public Library or book sale, contact Crystal Stuck at 236-2107.



JANUARY

F January 1 - All Libraries Closed for New Year's Day
T January 5, 2 p.m. - Book Club—WP
T January 5, 6:30 p.m. - LEGO Night:1900-1999 - DT
T January 5, 6:30 p.m. - Movie/Mister Roberts - EH
Th January 7, 5:30 p.m. - Book Club - CB
M January 11, 5:30 p.m. - Adult Coloring Night - EH
M January 11, 6:30 p.m. - Family Movie/Around the... - EH
T January 12, 2 p.m. - Adult Coloring: Winter - DT
T January 12, 6:30 p.m. - Movie/The Score - EH
W January 13, 1 p.m. - Local Hist. Stage/Fort Smith - JRP
Th January 14, 4 p.m. - Teen Creative Comics Club - DT
Th January 14, 7 p.m. - Amazing Grace Documentary - EH
F January 15, 9 p.m. - Teen Library Lock-in - EH
Sa January 16, 11 a.m. - Teen Book Club - DT
Su January 17 - All Libraries Closed for MLK, Jr. Day
M January 18 - All Libraries Closed for MLK, Jr. Day
T January 19, 3:30 p.m. - VAntines for Vets - DT
T January 19, 6:30 p.m. - Movie/Fried Green Tomatoes - EH
Th January 21, 4 p.m. - Teen Anime Club - DT
Th January 21, 4 p.m. - Tween Finger Knitting Scarf - EH
M January 25, 5:30 p.m. - Movie/Grease - DT
M January 25, 7 p.m.— Book Club—DT
M January 25, 7 p.m.- Back Stories/Marcus Words - EH
T January 26, 6:30 p.m. - Movie/The Elephant Man - EH
W January 27, 10 a.m.- Book Club—EH
Th January 28, 4 p.m. - Teen Mohawk Beanie Caps - EH

FEBRUARY

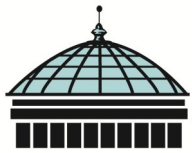
T February 2, 10 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. - Storytime – EH
T February 2, 2 p.m. - Book Club—WP
T February 2, 6:30 p.m. - LEGO Night: Horses - DT
T February 2, 6:30 p.m. - Movie/The Hunt for Red Oct... - EH
Th February 4, 4 p.m. - Tween Marshmallow Catapults - EH
Th February 4, 5:30 p.m. - Book Club—CB
Th February 4, 6:30 p.m. - To Be A Kid Again/Play Doh - EH
M February 8, 6:30 p.m. - Family Movie/Mary Poppins - EH
T February 9, 10 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. - Storytime – EH
T February 9, 3:30 p.m. —Tricky Tues Valentine Craft - WP
T February 9, 2 p.m. - Adult Coloring: Valentines - DT
T February 9, 6:30 p.m. - Movie/The Eternal Sunshine... - EH

W February 10, 1 p.m. - Local Hist. Stage/Black History - JRP
Th February 11, 4 p.m. - Teen Creative Comics Club - DT
Th February 11, 4 p.m. - Teen Chocolate Lovers Summit - EH
Th February 11, 6:30 p.m. - To Be A Kid Again/Paints - EH
Su February 14 - All Libraries Closed for Presidents' Day
M February 15 - All Libraries Closed for Presidents' Day
T February 16, 10 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. - Storytime – EH
T February 16, 6:30 p.m. - Movie/Sunset Boulevard - EH
T February 16, 11 a.m. - East Hills Mall Storytime
Th February 18, 10:30 a.m. - Storytime - DT
Th February 18, 4 p.m. - Teen Anime Club - DT
Th February 18, 4 p.m. - Tween Comic Fingernails - EH
Th February 18, 6:30 p.m. - To Be A Kid Again/LEGO - EH
Sa February 20, 11 a.m. - Teen Book Club - DT
M February 22, 10 a.m.- Storytime - WP
M February 22, 5:30 p.m. - Movie/The Notebook - DT
M February 22, 7 p.m. - Back Stories/The Center State - EH
M February 22, 7 p.m. – Book Club - DT
T February 23, 10 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. - Storytime – EH
T February 23, 3:30 p.m. - Tricky Tuesday BINGO - WP
T February 23, 6:30 p.m. - Movie/High Noon - EH
W February 24, 10 a.m. - Book Club - EH
Th February 25, 10:30 a.m. - Storytime – DT
Th February 25, 4 p.m. - Robots, Foiled Again! - DT
Th February 25, 4 p.m. - Teen Friendship Earbud Wraps - EH
Th February 25, 6:30 p.m. - To Be A Kid Again/Glitter - EH
M February 29, 10 a.m.- Storytime- WP

CALENDAR LEGEND

CB - Carnegie Library
 DT - Downtown Library
 EH - East Hills Library
 WP - Washington Park Library
 JRP - Joyce Raye Patterson Senior Center

A complete description of each program can be found within this publication. All programs subject to change. Check the online calendar for the most up to date information. Attendance at St. Joseph Public Library programs, events or public spaces constitutes consent to be photographed for use in print and/or electronic publicity for SJPL. If you do not want us to use a photo of you or your child, please tell the library staff member coordinating the event PRIOR to the program.



St. Joseph Public Library
927 Felix Street
St. Joseph, Missouri 64501

LIBRARY LOCATIONS



Carnegie Library

316 Massachusetts Street
238-0526

Mon: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Tues: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Wed: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Thurs: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Fri : 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sat: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Downtown Library

927 Felix Street
Circulation: 232-7729

Reference: 232-8151
Children's: 232-3812
Text Line: 249-1377
Mon : 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Tue: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Wed: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Thurs: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Fri : 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sat: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



East Hills Library

502 North Woodbine Road
236-2136

Sun: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Mon: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Tue: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Wed: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Thurs: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Fri : 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sat: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Washington Park Library

1821 North 3rd Street
232-2052

Mon: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Tues: 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Wed: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Thurs: 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sat: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.