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St. Joseph Public Library's Mission, Vision & Values:

Mission

The St. Joseph Public Library provides our community physical and virtual gathering spaces to access information, education, and recreation.

Vision

The St. Joseph Public Library offers our community a window to the past and a gateway to the future.

Values

The St. Joseph Public Library values:

ACCOUNTABILITY. We are dedicated to delivering on our commitments and the sound stewardship of our taxpayer dollars.

EXCELLENCE. We are courteous professionals who strive to create extraordinary experiences for our community.

EQUALITY. We are free and open to all people and ideas. We treat everyone with respect and compassion.

INNOVATION. We are always learning. We continually explore new ways of doing things better and doing better things.

PASSION. We love the library, we love St. Joseph, and we love what we do.

TEAMWORK. We build connections and celebrate the diversity of our experiences.

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- Digital Archives
- Download Free eBooks, eMagazines, and eAudiobooks
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A Message from Your Library

I am happy to announce that SJPL is hosting a graduation ceremony for two of our four Gale Excel Adult High School graduates on December 3rd. According to the US Census Bureau, just over 11% of St. Joseph residents over the age of 25 lack a high school diploma. The Bureau of Labor statistics reports that people without a high school diploma earn over \$10,000 less per year on average than high school graduates. Adults without a high school diploma are also more likely to be unemployed and live in poverty. Unfortunately, we see that truth in our own community.

The St. Joseph Public Library offers adults, 19 and older, the chance to complete their high school education through the Gale Excel Adult High School program, with support from the Missouri State Library and the Friends of the St. Joseph Public Library. Students transfer eligible high school, GED, and HiSET credits, then take online courses, and complete assignments and tests to graduate. Students have up to 24 months to complete the program and they are assisted along the way by teachers and tutors and cheered on by library staff. SJPL can also help our students with technology needs as they complete their diploma. To learn more about the program visit: <https://sjpl.lib.mo.us/exceladult/>.

It's programs like this that make me especially proud to be a librarian. Public libraries exist to serve our communities and provide or connect our citizens to the services, programs, and materials they need and want.

It is perilous times for some libraries both close to home and throughout the United States. In our polarized political climate, it has become easy to attack libraries because we strive to provide books and programs that appeal to all the different kinds of people in our communities. That doesn't mean every book should appeal to every person, but it does mean that every person who walks through our doors should be able to find a book, movie, or other material that does appeal to them.

In this season of holidays and thankfulness, I am thankful to you, our library patrons, who continue to support the library and our mission of providing the right book and the right program to all the different kinds of people who inhabit our community and world.

Take care,
Mary Beth Revels
Director

St. Joseph Public Library Foundation 2023 Holiday Cards for Sale

The St. Joseph Public Library Foundation is selling holiday cards at the four branches of the St. Joseph Public Library as a fundraiser.

Each pack contains 8 holiday cards featuring St. Joseph's historic architecture. The card sets also include a sheet with information about each building. The cost is \$12.00 and each purchase supports the St. Joseph Public Library Foundation. The cards feature original artwork by Jessica Poet, who designed the cards on behalf of the St. Joseph Public Library Foundation.

Cards can be ordered by visiting one of the four St. Joseph Public Library branches, Carnegie, Downtown, East Hills, or Washington Park. Cash, check and cards are accepted. A few card sets from 2022 are still available for purchase.

The St. Joseph Public Library Foundation is a non-profit 501c3 organization with a mission to support the St. Joseph Public Library. The organization focuses public attention on library services and programs, raises funds and acts as an advocate for libraries and literacy in our community. For more information or to order cards, contact Jessica Poet at jpoet@sjpl.lib.mo.us or 816-232-4038.



WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

Donations accepted at the Downtown and East Hills Libraries beginning November 1. Community distribution begins November 8.

Needed Items (adult & children's sizes)

- Coats & Jackets
- Sweaters
- Snowsuits or Snow Pants
- Hats, Scarves, & Gloves
- Blankets

Help us make someone's winter a little bit warmer this year by donating your gently used, clean, warm clothing!



FREE *Family Photo Mini-Sessions*

Do you want to get a photograph of the family, but you are running out of time and money? Never fear, the library is here! We are hosting local photographer, Emma Spiking, to snap a quick family photo for free. Wear your holiday best! After the mini session, you will receive an email with a digital copy of the picture for your personal use. First come, first serve, no reservations needed, we will go in order of the line.

**WASHINGTON
PARK LIBRARY**
Saturday, Dec. 2
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**EAST HILLS
LIBRARY**
Saturday, Dec. 9
9 a.m. - Noon

**CARNEGIE
LIBRARY**
Saturday, Dec. 9
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

**DOWNTOWN
LIBRARY**
Sunday, Dec. 10
Noon - 3 p.m.

LEGO ESCAPE ROOM

East Hills Library

It's time for another library escape room! This year you will make your way through a LEGO themed room to solve all the puzzles and escape. Do you have what it takes?

For more info and sign-up links go to:
<https://sjpl.librarymarket.com>.

Family Friendly Level

January 4 & 5 ALL DAY

Ages 5 & Up

Sign-up begins
Dec. 19 @ 9 a.m.

Experienced Level

January 6 ALL DAY

Teens & Adults

Sign-up begins
Dec. 21 @ 9 a.m.

COZY UP WITH A GOOD BOOK

Reading Challenge



'Tis the season for coziness. Grab a blanket, your fluffy socks, and your favorite warm drink or snack! Hop into a reading nook and sink into a good book.

Adults, this reading challenge is just for you! We challenge our patrons, ages 18 and up to read at least two books during the month of January. Track your reading on our Beanstack site at sjplibrary.beanstack.org or on the Beanstack mobile app. Ask a librarian if you'd like us to track for you. Once you've completed two books, come into any of our four locations to get your free campfire mug!



STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

East Hills Library

Drop Off: Friday, Dec. 8 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Pick Up: Saturday, Dec. 9 at 10 a.m.

DROP OFF

Drop off your stuffed animal for a sleepover at the library! What kind of hijinks will they get up to? We will have name tags for you to decorate to leave with your friend, or you can print one ahead of time from the files on the web calendar. Please limit the size of your stuffed animal to 18 inches or less.



PICK UP

Pick up your stuffed animal from their fun sleepover at the library. We'll read you all a story, watch a short movie, have a dance party with bubbles, and eat some snacks while we tell you about their fun night. If you can't attend this pick up time, be sure to arrange a time with your children's librarian at 236-1424. The movie will be Disney/Pixar's *Partysaurus Rex*, 2012, Rated G, Running Time of 7 minutes.



Carnegie

Wacky Wednesday Take & Make Crafts

Featuring fun crafts that might be wacky for the time of year. Available every Wednesday while supplies last.

Not recommended for children under 3.

Carnegie Library

Wednesdays All day
November, December, & January

Turkey Togetherness Time Crafternoon

Join us as we make multiple Thanksgiving crafts.



Carnegie Library

Saturday, November 11 1 p.m.

Gingerbread Crafternoon



Join us as we make multiple gingerbread crafts.

Carnegie Library

Saturday, December 9 1 p.m.

Penguin Crafternoon

Join us as we make multiple penguin crafts



Carnegie Library

Saturday, January 6 1 p.m.

East Hills

Book Buddies Reading Dogs

The Book Buddies Pony Express Therapy Dogs, in partnership with the East Hills Library, are offering patrons a way to improve their reading skills in a unique and fun environment. This program utilizes therapy dogs as the listeners for readers of all ages and reading levels. Drop in anytime during this 2 hour

session.

East Hills Library

Saturdays 10:30 a.m.
November 4, December 2, & January 6

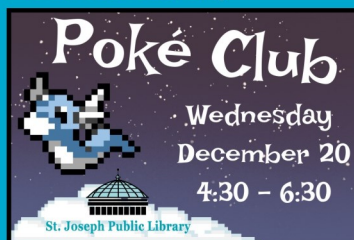
LEGO Club

Come meet with fellow LEGO enthusiasts each month for various LEGO challenges. Can you build it?


East Hills Library


Thursdays 6 p.m.
November 16, December 21, January 18

@ East Hills Library



 Come enjoy Pokémon themed crafts and activities! All supplies are provided.

 Bring your handheld games, cards, and art to share, battle, and trade with other Pokémon fans!

 All ages welcome. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

Noon Year's Eve Eve Party

Ring in the new year with us at our Noon Year's Eve Eve Party! We will have activity stations, bubbles, dancing, and refreshments. Then get ready for fun with a balloon drop at Noon!

East Hills Library

Saturday, December 30 11 a.m.



Washington Park

Tricky Tuesday

Please come to Washington Park and join us for Tricky Tuesday!

Washington Park Library

Tuesdays 4 p.m.
November, December, & January



Above: Snap Circuit program at the Downtown Library



Above: LEGO Club show and tell at the East Hills Library.

Storytime at the Library

Mondays
10 a.m.

Oct 2 - Nov 6

Storytime

**Washington
Park Library**

Tuesdays
10 a.m.

Sept 5 - Nov 14

**Preschool
Storytime**

3 - 6 year olds

**East Hills
Library**

Wednesdays
9:30 a.m.

Sept 6 - Nov 15

**Toddler
Storytime**

18 months - 3 year olds

**East Hills
Library**

Wednesdays
10:30 a.m.

Sept 20 - Nov 29

Storytime

**Carnegie
Library**

Thursdays
10:30 a.m.

Sept 7 - Nov 16

Storytime

**Downtown
Library**

Fridays
9:30 a.m.

Sept 8 - Nov 3

**Baby
Storytime**

birth - 18 months

**East Hills
Library**

Children & Parents

Downtown

Holiday Crafts - R

Create fun crafts celebrating the holidays. Making memories and mementos that will last for years to come!

For ages 5 - 10 with an adult.

Downtown Library

Wednesdays

5 p.m.

Nov. 1, Dec. 6, & Jan. 3

Fun Science Experiments - R

Do you like science? Want to have some fun? Can you make apple seeds dance? Can you make the "M" on an M&M disappear? Come join us at the Downtown Library and find out!

For ages 4 - 8 with an adult.

Downtown Library

Monday, November 6

4:30 p.m.

Once Upon a Storytime

Fairytale loving friends are invited to join us for a Saturday morning of storytime fun. With crafts, fairytales and lots of magical songs there's sure to be something for everyone!

Dress-up is encouraged and don't forget

your smile, so come on down and share our mystical world for a while!

For ages 5 - 8 with an adult.

Downtown Library

Saturday, November 11

11:30 a.m.

Frankentoys

Out with the old, boring stuffed animals, in with the new monstrous ones. If your kiddo has some old stuffed animals that they are ready to get rid of, bring them into the library to give them a fresh new look. Have you ever seen a stuffed animal with the head of a unicorn, but the body of a teddy bear? Probably not, but here you can make one!

This program will teach basic hand sewing skills. Some stuffed animals will be provided.

For ages 8 - 12

Downtown Library

Monday, November 27

1 p.m.

Crafts You Can Eat - R

Why not make a silly craft that you can eat? Creating with your child is a great way to bond while teaching

independence and enjoying quality time

together. Come to this parent-child craft class to design some zany food fun!

For ages 5 - 10 with an adult.

Downtown Library

Thursday, November 30

4:30 p.m.

Do You Want to Build a Snowman? - R

What do you like to make out of snow? Come to the Downtown Library to make snow. You may build a snowman or anything your heart desires!

For ages 4 - 8 with an adult.

Downtown Library

Monday, December 11

4:30 p.m.

Mini Makes

Does your kiddo like to help in the kitchen? It's never too early to begin learning culinary skills.

For ages 5 - 11 with an adult.

Downtown Library

Mini Pies: Apple, Cherry & Strawberry

Friday, December 22

11 a.m.

Delicious Skewers

Wednesday, January 24

11 a.m.

Downtown

Nutcracker Ballet Day - R

Budding ballerinas and performers alike are invited to join us for a festive day of dance and fun!

For ages 3 - 8 with an adult.

Downtown Library

Friday, December 29 3 p.m.

Pinecone Bird Feeders - R

Do you like to watch for birds in your yard? Join us at the Downtown Library to make a pinecone bird feeder. Then you can watch your feathered friends flock to your yard for a snack!

For ages 5 - 10 with an adult.

Downtown Library

Monday, January 22 4:30 p.m.

Kids Trivia Night - R

Test your knowledge and answer questions from an array of categories to figure out who is the smartest kid in the library.

For ages 9 - 14

Downtown Library

Wednesday, January 31 5:30 p.m.



East Hills

Yoga for Kids - R

Join yoga instructor, Jamie Davis for a morning of fun and yoga for kids ages 5-12. Bring a yoga mat if you have one!

East Hills Library

Saturday, November 11 10 a.m.

STEAM Saturday: Pumpkin Pie in a Cup - R

Get ready for Thanksgiving by learning to make 'no bake' pumpkin pie in a cup. Make your pie and eat it too.

For grades K - 6.

East Hills Library

Saturday, November 18 1 p.m.



Pre-K Play

Get out of the cold and into some Pre-K Play Fun!

Children aged 0-6 and their caregivers are invited to learn and play together in the East Hills Storytime Room with the early literacy toy collection. In addition, we will sing songs and fingerplays featuring rhythm instruments, ribbon wands, scarves and/or shakers.

East Hills Library

Tuesdays 10 a.m.
December & January (no session 12/26)

Indoor Recess

Get some energy out at the library with indoor recess! We'll have various size boxes from small to giant to build, connect, and play with. Let your imagination soar and see what a box can be.

East Hills Library

Saturdays 10 a.m.
December 16 & January 20

STEAM Saturday: LEGO Spike Prime Robotic Kit - R

This month we will be exploring basic coding with a LEGO Spike Prime Kit. We will work together to build a robot, then try out different code to see what we can make it do. Under age 10 requires parental participation.

For grades 3rd - 8th.

East Hills Library

Saturday, December 16 1 p.m.



Above: Storytime at the Downtown Library.



Above: Making Birdhouses at the Downtown Library.

East Hills

Unofficial Speed Cubing Competition - R

Show off your skills at an unofficial, friendly Speed Cubing competition. Participants can bring their own cubes or use designated library cubes. Participants must know how to solve a Rubik's cube.

For ages 8 - 18. Participants will be divided into age categories based on registrants. Family and friends are welcome to attend and cheer on all those competing.

East Hills Library

Saturday, January 20
Sign-in from 1 - 1:25 p.m.
Competition starts at 1:30 p.m.

Downtown

Teen After Hours: Friendsgiving - R

Join us for the second annual Teen After Hours - FRIENDSGIVING! We will have a home-cooked Thanksgiving meal and then we will play some family style games.

For 6th - 12th graders

Downtown Library

Friday, November 17 6 - 8 p.m.

Teens Taste: TikTok Tragedies

Teens! Do you think that you know food? Well, let's put that to the test.

Have you ever seen a food combination on TikTok that looks terrible, but the poster swears it tastes delicious? Well, let's try some of these out. Are they tasty or nasty? You decide.

Downtown Library

Wednesday, November 22 12 p.m.

Teens Taste: Can You Taste Colors?

Teens! Do you think that you know food? Well, let's put that to the test. Let's see if you can taste color. M&Ms aren't flavored, but they are different colors, so can you tell the difference without looking at them?

Downtown Library

Wednesday, December 27 12 p.m.

Teen After Hours: Games Galore - R

Teen After Hours, but with games, games, and more game. We will have switch games, party games, board games, and even some gym style games.

For 6th - 12th graders

Downtown Library

Friday, January 19 6 - 8 p.m.



East Hills

Teen After Hours: White Elephant - R

Teens! Do you like a good gift exchange? Well, join us for this Teen After Hours: White Elephant. If you can, bring a friend and a gift that is a \$5 value, and let's have a good time!

For 6th - 12th graders

East Hills Library

Friday, December 15 6 - 8 p.m.

Anime Club

Can't get enough Anime? Meet at the library for two hours of socializing and communally enjoying your shared passion of Anime! This will be a tester program to gauge interest in a monthly Anime Club. We will serve snacks, chat, and watch some Anime.

For ages 12 and up.

East Hills Library

Thursday, December 28 3 - 5 p.m.

Carnegie

coffee and crafts

Carnegie Library
Saturdays
10:30 a.m.

November 11
December 9
January 6

Registration Required

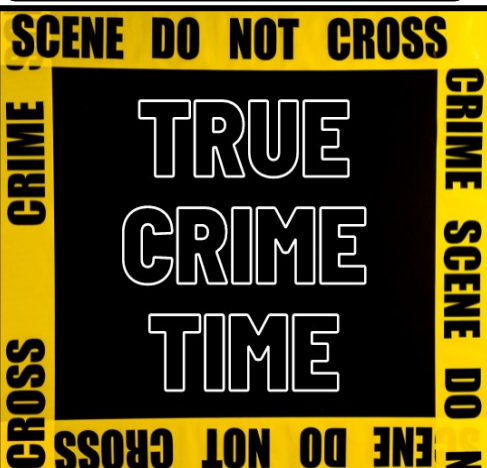
Intended for adults 18+
Craft kits provided

Tea Time with Jenny

Carnegie Library
Saturday, November 25 @ 10:30 a.m.
Saturday, December 23 @ 10:30 a.m.
Saturday, January 20 @ 10:30 a.m.

Bring your own craft to work on, intended for adults 18+.

Downtown



True Crime Time: More Weird But True

We're kicking off the new year with a trio of odd, interesting, and downright bizarre stories. From disposing of a body with a woodchipper to a disastrous molasses spill, true crime enthusiasts are invited to come listen as Jen tells some of her favorite weird - but true - stories.

Downtown Library

Thursday, January 25 6 p.m.
Descriptions and images used in this series are not suitable for children or the squeamish.

Monday Morning Coffee and Cards

Come spend your morning with us! Get your brain working with coffee, cappuccino and cards. We can play pitch or poker. We have card games aplenty. Don't miss it!

Downtown Library

Monday, November 20 10 a.m.

Adult After Hours: Murder Mystery - R

Think you could be the next Nancy Drew or Hercule Poirot? Solve the clues to figure out who the real murderer is. Enjoy a delicious meal while you solve the story inspired by a real life murder that took place right here in Missouri.

Downtown Library

Friday, December 1 6 p.m.

DIY, Why Don't You: Homemade Gifts - R

Join us in making homemade Christmas cards, Cocoa mix in jar, and if we have time some cute festive ornaments!

Downtown Library

Thursday, December 14 6 p.m.

Piecing It All Together: Christmas Collages - R

Do you enjoy upcycling and creating original art? Come relax and have fun designing your own winter themed magazine collages.

All supplies will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own magazines, papers, stickers, or any other crafting supplies you may have.

Downtown Library

Thursday, December 21 6:30 p.m.

DIY, Why Don't You: Coasters - R

Come make some cool ceramic coasters. Stamp them, paint them, write on them. Make them your own!

Downtown Library

Thursday, January 11 6 p.m.

Fiction Addiction

Do you love to write? Come together with a group of individuals who feel the same way you do. Participants will have 45 minutes to an hour to write a short story based on a prompt that you will be given. Then we will read through all of the different stories and talk about them!

Downtown Library

Wednesday, January 24 5:30 p.m.

East Hills

Cookie Decorating Class - R

Come join the owner of Sweet Country Creations for a Fall cookie decorating class especially made for the library. Let's welcome in the cooler weather cookie style!



Each class comes with 1 cookie we'll decorate, 2 icing bags, step-by-step instructions and a to-go box.

East Hills Library

Saturday, November 4 2 p.m.

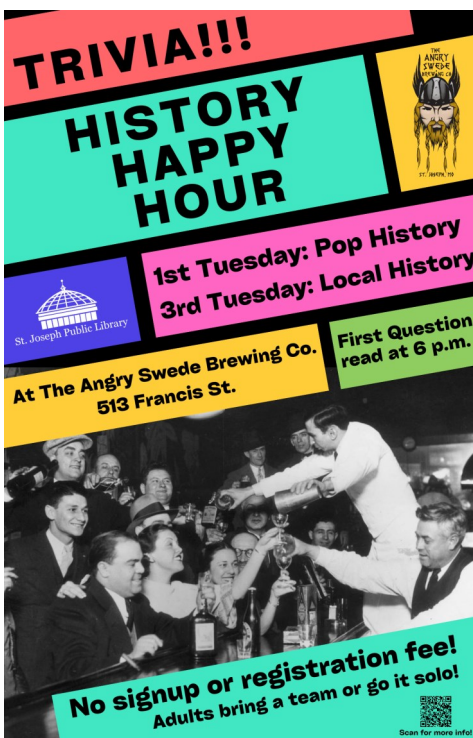
Make Yours an E-Bike

Learn how to turn your bike into a battery-powered E-bike. Mr. Kerner, has converted several bicycles to E-bikes and he will share his trial-and-error experience. He'll talk about the three main components of any E-bike and the various options for each. You will also get a chance to see his custom-made E-bikes. Before you spend big bucks for an E-bike come see how to convert the bike you already have and get riding again!

East Hills Library

Monday, November 6 6 p.m.

Adults



East Hills

Korea - The Unforgotten War

The Korean War has been often labeled as the Forgotten War by many. While plenty of people believe it ended in a tie, nothing could be further from the truth, especially based on the impact on South Korea. Discover the positive ongoing relationship between the United States and South Korea and how the Korean culture has benefited from its defense in the Korean War.

Presented by Professor Derek Frieling.

East Hills Library

Thursday, November 16 6 p.m.

BINGO Night

Join us for a fun-filled night of BINGO! Will you get the lucky numbers and win a prize? Will you BINGO on a regular BINGO or four corners or a black-out?

East Hills Library

Mondays 6 p.m.
Nov. 20, Dec. 18, & Jan. 8

Casual Commander Club

This is a club for all those who love Magic the Gathering. Bring your own Magic the Gathering commander format* deck to battle and destroy your friends and strangers. The Commander format is all about picking your hero and building a deck around them. In this casual, multiplayer format, you choose a legendary creature to serve as your

commander and build the rest of your deck around their color identity and unique abilities.

*The deck must have 100 cards, including your commander, and power level 8 and under decks recommended. Time to destroy your enemies!

East Hills Library

Thursdays 6 - 8 p.m.
November 30 & January 25

Book Folding for Beginners - R

Do you need a unique gift for the book lover in your life? Turn their favorite hobby into a keepsake they'll treasure forever! Crystal will guide you through the basics of book folding - following a pattern, how to get best results, how to choose books, and more.

East Hills Library

Monday, December 4 6 p.m.

Maker Space Open Lab for Adults

Adults can get creative in our Makerspace at this Open Lab time. You can make a gift or decorations for your house with our various supplies. Or let your inner child have fun building a LEGO robot with a LEGO Spike Prime Kit. Or design something to send to our 3-D printer. Come see what you can make!

East Hills Library

Monday, December 11 6 p.m.

Houseplants 101 - R

Wendy Lilly, owner of Unique Unicorn, will share her knowledge on the benefits of houseplants and the care and keeping of them in this Houseplants 101 class.

For adults and interested teens.

Two lucky attendees will win a gift certificate to her plant shop!

East Hills Library

Monday, January 29 6 p.m.



Hosted by movie critic, Bob Shultz. Free popcorn provided and drinks with lids welcome. All ages welcome, but please be mindful of the movie rating if bringing children.

East Hills Library

Tuesdays 6:30 p.m.

November 7	<i>Coal Miner's Daughter</i>	PG, 1980, 125 min.
November 14	<i>Barbie</i>	PG, 2023, 116 min.
November 21	<i>The Last Waltz</i>	PG, 1978, 117 min.
November 28	<i>Die Hard</i>	R, 1988, 132 min.
December 5	<i>Home Alone</i>	PG, 1990, 102 min.
December 12	<i>A Christmas Story</i>	PG, 1983, 98 min.
December 19	<i>The Polar Express</i>	G, 2004, 100 min.
January 2	<i>The Blues Brothers</i>	R, 1980, 132 min.
January 9	<i>Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny</i>	PG-13, 2023, 142 min.
January 16	<i>Tron</i>	PG, 1982, 96 min.
January 23	<i>Dr. Strangelove</i>	PG, 1964, 95 min.
January 30	<i>Mission Impossible: Dead Reckoning 1</i>	PG-13, 2023, 163 min.



Happy Graduation

East Hills Library – Sunday, Dec. 3 @ 1 p.m.



You are invited to attend a graduation ceremony to recognize the first St. Joseph Public Library graduates from the Gale Presents: Excel Adult High School program. This offering is provided by St. Joseph Public Library in partnership with Gale, part of Cengage Group, to provide adult learners a second chance at earning a high school education at no cost. We are proud of these graduates who have taken this step to improve their lives by completing their High School Diploma. Come celebrate with us! Reception to follow. Please RSVP by calling 816-236-2136 or registering on the web calendar.

excelhighschool.org/library/sjpl



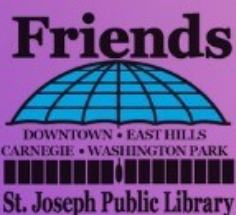
*Get a little lit,
buy a little lit!*

BOOZY BOOK FAIR

November 17-18
6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Still chasing that high of the Scholastic Book Fair? Rekindle that nostalgia, but this time with some literary libations! We will have everything you remember and more! And the best part? Your parents can't tell you no!

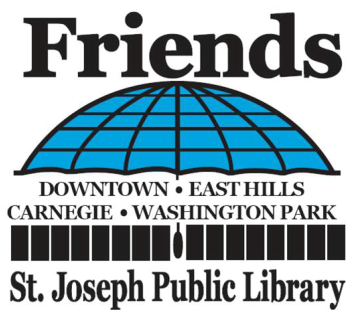
Join us for 2 nights of books, all the book fair goodies you remember, and booze! Literary-themed cocktails will be available for purchase to those 21 and older. All proceeds support the Friends of the Library.



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Friends Support Library Programs

The Friends of the St. Joseph Public Library is a non-profit 501c3 organization with a mission to support the St. Joseph Public Library. FSJPL focuses public attention on library services and programs, raises funds, and acts as an advocate for libraries and literacy in our community. To join the Friends organization, visit sjpl.lib.mo.us/friends.

As part of their mission, the Friends financially supports monthly book clubs and the Friends Front Row Tuesday Night Film Series.

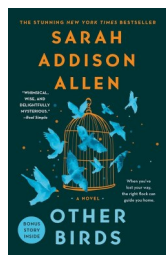
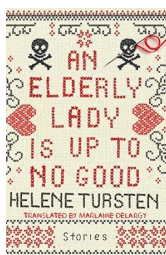
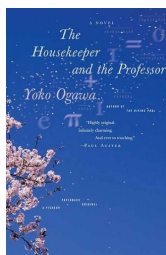
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Virtual and In Person

Downtown Library Book Club

Downtown Library - 4th Monday - 6:30 p.m.

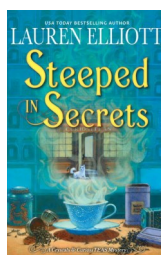
November 20 - *The Housekeeper and the Professor* by Yoko Ogawa
December 18 - *An Elderly Lady Is up to No Good* by Helene Tursten
January 22 - *Other Birds* by Sarah Addison Allen



Afternoon Tea Book Club

Alchemy Tea Co, 617 Felix St. - Saturdays - 4 p.m.

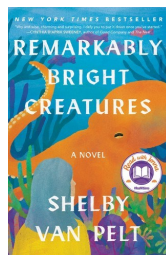
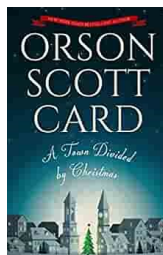
November 18 - *Steeped in Secrets* by Lauren Elliott
December 16 - *The Christmas Guest* by Peter Swanson
January 13 - *The Unfortunate Side Effects of Heartbreak and Magic* by Breanne Randall



East Hills Library Book Club

East Hills Library - 3rd Tuesday - 10 a.m.

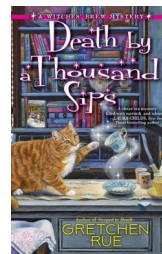
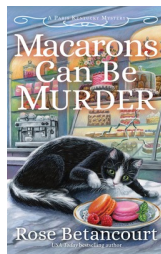
November 21 - *The Transatlantic Book Club* by Felicity Hayes McCoy
December 19 - *A Town Divided by Christmas* by Orson Scott Card
January 16 - *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt



Virtual Murder, She Read: Cozy Mystery Book Discussion with Author - R

Virtual on Zoom - Wednesdays - 7 p.m.

November 29 - *Macarons Can Be Murder* by Rose Betancourt
December 13 - *Stalking Around the Christmas Tree* by Jacqueline Frost
January 31 - *Death By a Thousand Sips* by Gretchen Rue



BYOBook Club

Washington Park Library - 1st Thursday - 2 p.m.

BYOB: Bring your own books! If you like to talk about books you are reading, join us for an informal discussion about what you have been reading. Diana will have a show and tell about new and exciting books in the library that you can check out.

November 2, December 7 & January 4

Adults

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All Ages

Wacky Wednesday Take & Make Crafts

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Adults

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1/6 10:30 a.m.	Coffee & Crafts	9
1/20 10:30 a.m.	Tea Time with Jenny	9



Above: Patrons visit with authors at the library's Annual Local Author Showcase.

For full program
descriptions or to
register, please visit
the library's event
calendar at
[sjpl.lib.mo.us/
calendar](http://sjpl.lib.mo.us/calendar)

Downtown

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12/10 | 12 p.m.

Family Photo Mini-Session

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11/11 11:30 a.m.	Once Upon a Storytime	7
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11/30 4:30 p.m.	Crafts You Can Eat	7
12/6 5 p.m.	Holiday Crafts	7
12/11 4:30 p.m.	Do You Want to Build a Snowman?	7
12/22 11 a.m.	Mini Makes: Mini Pies	7
12/29 3 p.m.	Nutcracker Ballet Day	8
1/3 5 p.m.	Holiday Crafts	7
1/22 4:30 p.m.	Pinecone Bird Feeders	8
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Title

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11/17 | 6 p.m.

Teen After Hours: Friendsgiving

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11/22 | 12 p.m.

Teens Taste: TikTok Tragedies

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12/27 | 12 p.m.

Teens Taste: Can You Taste Colors?

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1/19 | 6 p.m.

Teen After Hours: Games Galore

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11/20 | 10 a.m.

Monday Morning Coffee and Cards

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11/20 | 6:30 p.m.

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12/1 | 6 p.m.

Adult After Hours: Murder Mystery

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12/14 | 6 p.m.

DIY, Why Don't You: Homemade Gifts

10

12/18 | 6:30 p.m.

Downtown Book Club

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12/21 | 6:30 p.m.

Piecing It All Together: Christmas Collages

10

1/11 | 6 p.m.

DIY, Why Don't You: Coasters

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1/22 | 6:30 p.m.

Downtown Book Club

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1/24 | 5:30 p.m.

Fiction Addiction

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1/25 | 6 p.m.

True Crime Time: More Weird But True

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Above: Library staff attended the Pride Festival to share information.

Thank you to the St. Joseph Public Library Foundation for helping to fund library programs.

East Hills

All Ages

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12/21 6 p.m.	LEGO Club	6
12/30 11 a.m.	Noon Year's Eve Eve Party	6
1/4 All Day	LEGO Escape Room: Family Friendly Level	4
1/5 All Day	LEGO Escape Room: Family Friendly Level	4
1/6 All Day	LEGO Escape Room: Experienced Level	4
1/6 10 a.m.	Book Buddies Reading Dogs	6
1/18 6 p.m.	LEGO Club	6

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12/8 All Day	Stuffed Animal Sleepover Drop-Off	5
12/9 10 a.m.	Stuffed Animal Sleepover Pick-Up	5
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12/16 1 p.m.	STEAM Saturday: LEGO Spike Prime Robotic Kit	8
1/20 10 a.m.	Indoor Recess	8

Children/Teens

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Teens

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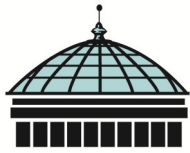
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Left: Patrons attend a cooking class at the Downtown Library.



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927 Felix St.

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Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Fri. - Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

East Hills Library | 816-236-2136

502 N. Woodbine Road

Sun. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Fri. - Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Washington Park Library | 816-232-2052

1821 N. 3rd St.

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



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

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Nov 10: Staff Training Day
Nov 22: All branches closed by 6 p.m.
Nov 23 - 24: Thanksgiving
Dec 24 - 25: Christmas
Dec 26 - 28: All branches closed by 6 p.m.
January 1: New Year's Day
January 15: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day