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

Mission

The St. Joseph Public Library will enrich our community by providing diverse resources and services to support and fulfill the life-long informational and recreational needs of our patrons.

Vision

The St. Joseph Public Library's vision is to foster a united, engaged, and informed community where all generations connect, discover, and create.

Values

The St. Joseph Public Library values:

ACCOUNTABILITY. We are dedicated to delivering on our commitments and for the 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 are constantly exploring 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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All programs subject to change due to weather, lack of sign-up, etc. 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.

A Message from Your Library

For the past several months we have all been dealing with unprecedented challenges that I am sure most of us never imagined we would be facing. I would like to say thank you for the understanding, flexibility, and loyalty you have shown the St. Joseph Public Library through these challenging times.

Thank you for your understanding as we asked you to adapt to the way we serve you in order to keep you and our employees safe.

Thank you for your flexibility in embracing the virtual and contactless ways we've added to how we interact with you.

Thank you for your loyalty to the library, in the past, now, and in the future so that we can continue to provide you with thoughtful, educational, and entertaining materials and resources.

Thank you most of all for the opportunity to continue serving and assisting you during this extraordinary time.

Our library branches returned to contactless service on September 2nd when Buchanan County reached the Orange risk level on the Harvard University Global Epidemics website, <https://globalepidemics.org/key-metrics-for-covid-suppression/>. We will reopen the doors for patron visits when Buchanan County returns to the Yellow risk level.

Our original plan was to ask library staff to shelter-in-place if Buchanan County reached the Red risk level. However the Library Board, administration, and staff felt that we could safely continue to offer contactless library services in the midst of the Red risk level as long as we asked staff to take some added precautions. You are important to us and we know we are important to you, too.

Unfortunately, the health threat caused by the pandemic will likely be with us for several more months and we will continue to adapt and figure out ways to keep providing the best and safest library service we can. We will continue to keep you informed as we modify the services we offer.

Lastly, we won't forget that we are all in this together.

Stay safe and stay well,

Mary Beth Revels

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BOOK MATCH

Personalized Reading Recommendation Service



Let us help put
the right books
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Book Match

In a reading rut? Don't know what to pick up next? Curious about what the librarians would suggest? Use our Book Match service to get personalized recommendations just for you. Simply fill out the form at <https://sjpl.lib.mo.us/library-services/book-match/> or find it under the Library Services tab on our website. We'll get back to you as soon as we can with a list of books linked to our catalog!

For more information about the library's Book Match service, contact Chelsea at 232-7729.

Library Offers New eContent

The library is excited to announce the addition of some new eContent offerings. To find links to all library databases and eMedia visit sjpl.lib.mo.us/databases.



KANOPY

Kanopy offers free streaming movies with your library card. Kanopy brings more than 30,000 of the world's best films to stream on smart TVs, computers, tablets, and other mobile devices.

TEEN BOOKCLOUD

Teen BookCloud is a curated database of e-books and other digital content for Middle School and High School age students. The growing collection features over 1000 titles, including student-favorite Graphic Novels, enhanced e-books with full audio narration and highlighted text, classic literature, national geographic videos, and more!

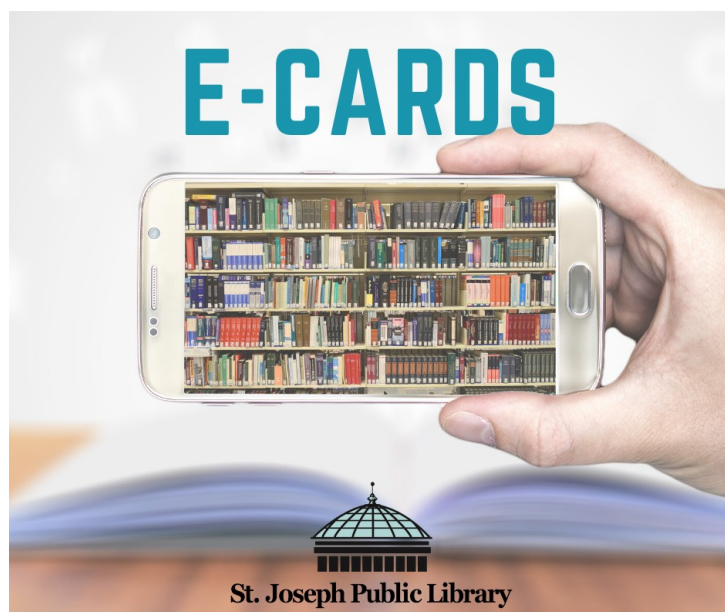


TUMBLEMATH

TumbleMath is your one-stop destination for engaging and entertaining math stories, all in a fun format that combines animation, narration, and sound to create a compelling and enticing story book for students of all ages. The books are all accompanied by supplementary materials such as lesson plans and educational games, plus quizzes in order to test and track progress.



E-cards: Do you live in St. Joseph, MO and need a library card? Get an E-card, so you can enjoy all the great electronic resources the library offers right from the comfort and safety of your home. All you need to do is send your name, address, birth date and email to mrevels@sjpl.lib.mo.us. A card number will be sent to you using the email address you provide. Once you have your card number, you can download eBooks and audiobooks, watch streaming TV, use all the learning databases, and more! This offer is good for online content only and available to anyone living in St. Joseph.



Children & Parents

Autumn Take & Make Kit

Welcome fall with our Autumn Take and Make kit! Kit includes pumpkin spice latte foam sticker craft, carveable foam pumpkin, leaf suncatcher craft, glow stick and activity/resource sheets. One kit per child, while supplies last. Pick one up at your local branch (make sure to call ahead to check availability). *May not be suitable for children under 3.

Contact your preferred branch to pick up your kit beginning October 1st. Available while supplies last during the month of October.

Wacky Wednesday Take & Make

Each week a new kit will be available, featuring fun crafts that may be wacky for the time of year. Call Carnegie at 816-238-0526 to schedule a contactless pickup.

Supplies are limited. Not recommended for children under 3.

Carnegie Library

Wednesdays 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sun Salutation Take & Make Kit: Stress Balls - R

Stress is high in our current environment. Help kids cope with stress management techniques, including making their own stress ball out of water beads and a balloon. We'll provide the supplies and suggested resources, all you have to do is pick up the kit and follow the instructions. Kit includes: water beads, balloon and a resource list.

Recommended age: 8-18, not suitable for children under 3.

Supplies are limited, call 816-232-3812 to reserve your kit and schedule your contactless pickup.

Downtown Library

Monday, October 12 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Virtual Sun Salutations for Kids with Jamie Davis

Mornings with the kids off to a hectic start? Try a mindful approach with yoga instructor Jamie Davis as she leads us through a prerecorded Sun Salutation routine designed just for kids! Find this amazing video and more on the library's YouTube channel.

Video ready to view on YouTube on

Monday, October 12 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Maker Monday: Hopping Frog Take & Make Craft - R

Make your own hopping frog with plastic cups, rubber bands, and other simple craft supplies. Check out our YouTube channel for instructions on how to put your hopping frog together. The video will be posted on October 19.

Supplies are limited, call 816-232-3812 to reserve your kit and schedule your contactless pickup.

Downtown Library

Monday, October 19 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Virtual Mythology Fan Club for Kids: The Minotaur and His Maze - R

Are you a mythology fan? Do you enjoy stories about fantastic creatures and Percy Jackson? Then join our brand new Virtual Mythology Fan Club!

In this new series kids will explore classic myths from different cultures with an accompanying activity. This month's theme is: The Minotaur and His Maze. Registration is required to attend the Zoom meeting.

This club is intended for ages 10-14.

Via Zoom

Wednesday, October 28 4:30 p.m.



Virtual SJPL Reads! Storytime

Virtual SJPL Reads with a friendly Youth Services Librarian! Check out the library's Facebook page every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. to explore different stories and activities for all ages to enjoy.

Check out past episodes on our YouTube channel.

Tuesdays on Facebook 10 a.m.

Virtual Storytime with Ms. Misty and Friends - R

Join Ms. Misty and friends for a Live Zoom Storytime every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Please register to receive Zoom link and get ready to sing, dance, read, and have so much fun!

Thursdays via Zoom 10:30 a.m.

Children Teens

Virtual Minecraft Meetup - R

A 1.5 hour Minecraft playing session using the Bedrock edition (this is the version that Windows 10, Xbox, Nintendo Switch, Android and iOS all use). We also connect via Zoom to make communication during the game easier.

Thursday, Oct. 1 @ 3:30 p.m.: Survival PVP. You'll have one hour to gather as many resources as you can. We'll fight Player Vs. Player until there is only 1 player standing.

Thursday, Oct. 15 @ 3:30 p.m.: Survival building challenge. Can you build the best, coolest house in survival mode?

STEAM Take & Make: Harvest Time - R

Design a simple machine to 'harvest' candy corn. You'll create a machine that can pick up and move candy corn from one container to another without leaving any marks, dents, or holes in the corn.

Pick up your kit beginning on Monday, Oct. 5. One kit per child in grades K-8. Call to arrange a pickup time through our contactless service. Attend our zoom meeting to discuss how you solved the challenge and see how others solved it! Register to receive the zoom link.

Zoom
Saturday, October 10 1 p.m.

Teens

Teen Take & Make: Spooky Sanitizer - R

Stir up a potion that will keep germs at bay! Pick up a kit at the library of your choosing and follow the tutorial on the library's YouTube Channel. Video will be live the first day kits are available for pickup. Supplies are limited, so register to ensure you get a kit!

Wednesday, October 14 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Teen Take & Make: Graveyard Terrariums - R

Create a terrarium that will haunt you! Pick up a kit at the library of your choosing and follow the tutorial on the library's YouTube Channel. Video will be live the first day kits are available for pickup. Supplies are limited, so register to ensure you get a kit!

Wednesday, October 28 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

First Chapter Friday

In a reading slump? Let Kelsey fix that for you! Check out the library's YouTube channel for First Chapter Friday! Videos will feature Kelsey reading the first chapter of a recently released Young Adult book to help you discover your next read.

Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Friday, October 30

Teens Adults

Virtual Community Voices

In this monthly series we interview different community members to learn about how they came to live here, what they are currently doing in our community and what their hopes for the future are.

Video ready to view on YouTube:

Tuesday, October 27 2 p.m.

Adults

Virtual History Shrieks & True Crime Time: The McDaniel Murder

For all our True Crime and History lovers, we bring you one blowout scary story this month for our History Speaks and True Crime Time. In 1916 Harriet Moss McDaniel, wife of Buchanan County Prosecuting Attorney, was found murdered in her home. The case remains unsolved to this day.

Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Saturday, October 3 2 p.m.

Virtual DIY, Why Don't You: Book Folding for Beginners

Folded books are the perfect gift for the book lovers in your life. Crystal Stuck will demonstrate how to do a book folding pattern for beginners and tell you everything you need to get started. Be warned, once you've folded one, you'll want to fold them all!

Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Monday, October 12 5:30 p.m.

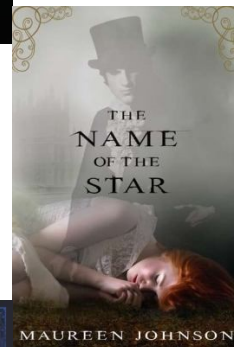
Virtual Bookish Time with Jenny: Episode 6

Carnegie Librarian, Jenny Ellis will discuss one of her favorite fall-related books on the library's YouTube Channel and Instagram.

Video ready to view on YouTube and Instagram on:

Friday, October 16 10 a.m.

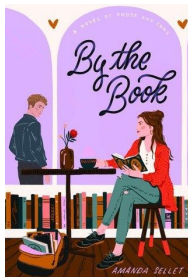
Spooky Reads for Teens



Adults

Virtual Forever Young Adult Book Club - R

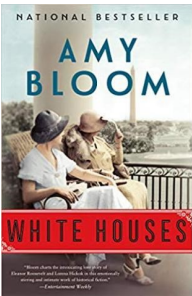
Book Club sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Hosted by Carnegie librarian, Jenny Ellis. Zoom link will be sent on the day of the event to anyone registered. Forever Young Adult is a 21+ book group for adults who read teen fiction.



October book: *By the Book* by Amanda Sellet

Saturday, October 24 4 p.m.

Virtual Friends Book Club Downtown - R



Do you love reading? Do you enjoy talking about what you're reading? You should join us for our Friends Book Club Downtown. To request an invitation to the Zoom chat, email Chelsea at

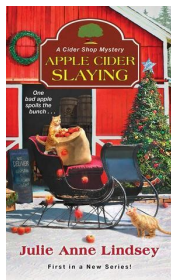
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October book: *White Houses* by Amy Bloom

Monday, October 26 7 p.m.

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

Carnegie librarian, Jenny Ellis hosts the virtual cozy mystery book club Murder, She Read. The author will join the discussion halfway through the meeting. Register to receive Zoom link.



October book: *Apple Cider Slaying* by Julie Anne Lindsey

Wednesday, October 28 7 p.m.

All Ages

Pokémon Club Take & Make

Bring Pokémon Club home! Kit includes staff-made coloring pages, cubie Pokémon, trading cards, stickers, DIY Drifloon, and more!

Please call the East Hills Library at 816-236-2136 to schedule a pickup time through our contactless service. Limit one per person, while supplies last during the month of October.



Virtual Ukulele Strum & Sing-Along - R

We are testing out the virtual application of our ukulele meet up! It might work, but it might not be perfect-- worst case scenario, come and say hello to a uke-lovin' group via Zoom.

Register to receive the Zoom meeting link. Limited to 10 users.

Monday, October 5 6 p.m.

Virtual LEGO Club: Show & Tell - R

Join us for a virtual LEGO Club meeting! We'll be using Zoom to meet and share our builds this month. Please have your creations ready to share when the meeting begins. Our theme for October is Show & Tell. Please register to receive a link for the Zoom LEGO Club meeting.

Tuesday, October 6 6:30 p.m.

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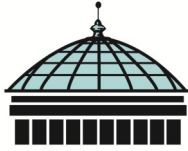


Thursday
October 29
6 - 8 p.m.



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LIBRARY LOCATIONS

Carnegie Library | 816-238-0526

316 Massachusetts St.

Contactless Pickup Hours:

Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Downtown Library | 816-232-7729

927 Felix St.

Contactless Pickup Hours:

Mon. - Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

East Hills Library | 816-236-2136

502 N. Woodbine Road

Contactless Pickup Hours:

Mon. - Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Washington Park Library | 816-232-2052

1821 N. 3rd St.

Contactless Pickup Hours:

Mon., Wed., Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues. & Thur. 12 - 8 p.m.

For full program descriptions or to register, please visit the library's event calendar at sjpl.lib.mo.us/calendar.

Several programs in this newsletter require registration and use of the Zoom platform.

For programs that do not require registration, programs can be found on the library's Facebook page and YouTube Channel.



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