DECEMBER IOWA City Public Library • Registration Required For more information, visit calendar.icpl.org			Kids and Family Calendar Tween Program (3rd - 6th Grade) Kids Program Family Program			EST. 1896
SUNDAY 12 pm - 5 pm	MONDAY 10 am - 9 pm	TUESDAY 10 am - 9 pm	WEDNESDAY 10 am - 9 pm	<b>THURSDAY</b> 10 am - 9 pm	FRIDAY 10 am - 8 pm	SATURDAY 10 am - 6 pm
	READING HOO DECEMBER 12- FEBRUARY 12	WINTER READING PROGRAM. Hot chocolate mug! Grand prize drawing! WRP.ICPL.ORG	1 StoryJAM 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online Drop-In Tutoring for K-6 Students 4 PM - 6 PM Children's Room	2 Storytime with Ellen Buchanan 10:30 AM Storytime Event Totally Tweens: Crafting Bonanza 4 PM - 5 PM Meeting Room A	3 Book Babies 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online	<b>4</b> Family Storytime 10:30 AM <i>Meeting Room A</i>
5 Sunday Fun Day: Snowman Card Making 1 PM - 4 PM Storytime Room	6 Spanish Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online Drop-In Tutoring for K-6 Students 4 PM - 6 PM Children's Room	7 Chinese Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online	8 StoryJAM 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online Drop-In Tutoring for K-6 Students 4 PM - 6 PM Children's Room	9 Preschool Stories: Candy Canes & Cozy Stories 10:30 AM Storytime Room Totally Tweens: Dungeons and Dragons Club 3 PM - 4 PM Storytime Room After School Minecraft 4 PM - 5 PM Digital Media Lab	10 INSERVICE DAY Library Closed	11 Owls! Storytime 10:30 AM Meeting Room A Holiday Crafting Hoopla 2 PM - 4 PM Storytime Room
12 Sunday Fun Day: Tea Light Snowman Necklace 1 PM - 4 PM Storytime Room	13 Spanish Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online Drop-In Tutoring for K-6 Students 4 PM - 6 PM Children's Room	14 Chinese Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online	15 StoryJAM 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online Drop-In Tutoring for K-6 Students 4 PM - 6 PM Children's Room	16 Dance Me a Story: The Nutcracker with Ballet Quad Cities 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Meeting Room A ScienTweens 4 PM - 5 PM Meeting Room A Dance Me a Story	17 Book Babies 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online	18 Spanish Bilingual Family Storytime: Holiday Special! 10:30 AM Storytime Room
19 Sunday Fun Day: Cozy Winter Town 1 PM - 4 PM Storytime Room	20 Spanish Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online Drop In, Stitch-Along Crafternoon 1 PM - 4 PM Storytime Room	21 Chinese Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online Winter Solstice Celebration: Cozy Crafts & Storytime 3 PM - 4:30 PM Meeting Room A	22 Gingerbread Fun Storytime! 10:30 AM Meeting Room A December Family Night: Meet Reptiles with the Cold-Blooded Redhead 6 PM - 7 PM Meeting Room A	23 CITY HOLIDAY Library Open 10 AM - 6 PM No Bookmobile Service Totally Tweens: Dungeons and Dragons Club 3 PM - 4 PM Storytime Room	24 CHRISTMAS OBSERVED Library Closed No Bookmobile Service	25 CHRISTMAS DAY Library Closed No Bookmobile Service
26 Sunday Fun Day: Firecracker Sparkler Craft 1 PM - 4 PM Storytime Room	27 Spanish Bilingual Storytime: Celebrate New Year's! 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online Drop-In Tutoring for K-6 Students 4 PM - 6 PM Children's Room	28 Chinese Bilingual Storytime 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online Learn Salsa and Bachata 4 PM - 5 PM Meeting Room A	29 StoryJAM 10:30 AM Meeting Room A, Online The Comedy Magic of Rick Eugene 1 PM - 2 PM Meeting Room A	30 Tumblin' Tots with Iowa Gym-Nest 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Meeting Room A Fonziba Drums! 1 PM - 2 PM Meeting Room A Totally Tweens School's Out Special: Baby-Sitter's Club Escape Room 4 PM - 5 PM Meeting Room A	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE Library Open 10 AM - 2 PM No Bookmobile Service	For more information, visit calendar.icpl.org

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# DECEMBER Iowa City Public Library

# **WEEKLY STORYTIMES**

#### SPANISH BILINGUAL STORYTIME

Mondays, 10:30 AM, Meeting Room A or Online Together we will enjoy songs, recite rhymes, and share stories in Spanish and English.

#### CHINESE BILINGUAL STORYTIME

Tuesdays, 10:30 AM, Meeting Room A or Online

Together we will enjoy songs, recite rhymes, and share stories in Chinese and English.

#### STORYJAM

Wednesdays, 10:30 AM, Meeting Room A or Online StoryJAM is a music and movement program designed to model, encourage, and

facilitate music-making as an early literacy skill.

#### **BOOK BABIES**

*Fridays, 10:30 AM, Meeting Room A or Online* Let's have fun together singing, reading, and rhyming. Book Babies is a program designed to stimulate your infant's language development and is geared towards ages 0-2 years.

#### FAMILY STORYTIME

Saturday, Dec. 4, 10:30 AM, Meeting Room A Family Storytime is recommended for all ages and includes both shorter and longer stories combined with action games and activities.

# **SPECIAL STORYTIMES**

### STORYTIME WITH ELLEN BUCHANAN

*Thursday, Dec. 2, 10:30 AM, Storytime Room* Join us for a very special guest for family storytime, Iowa City legend Ellen Buchanan! Ellen is a wonderful friend of the library—you won't want to miss her special storytime!

### PRESCHOOL STORIES & MORE: CANDY CANES & COZY STORIES

Thursday, Dec. 9, 10:30 AM, Storytime Room

Join us for a preschool-oriented program with Mari that often features special guests or includes longer stories. This week we will be reading stories and singing about candy canes and other cozy things!

#### **OWLS! STORYTIME**

Saturday, Dec. 11, 10:30 AM, Meeting Room A This year's Winter Reading Program theme is "Reading is a Hoot," so greet a special owl guest from local raptor education program Raptology.

## DANCE ME A STORY: THE NUTCRACKER WITH BALLET QUAD CITIES

*Thursday, Dec. 16, 10:30 - 11:30 AM, Meeting Room A* Dance Me a Story ties together ballet and the literature that inspires the choreography. Check out this special holiday storytelling of The Nutcracker!

## SPANISH BILINGUAL FAMILY STORYTIME: HOLIDAY SPECIAL!

Saturday, Dec. 18, 10:30 AM, Storytime Room

Join us for Spanish Bilingual Family Storytime to celebrate the holidays! Get ready for a lot of movement with singing, dancing, instruments, activities, stories, and rhymes in Spanish and English.

#### GINGERBREAD FUN STORYTIME!

Wednesday, Dec. 22, 10:30 - 11:30 AM, Meeting Room A Join us for a special gingerbread-themed storytime, gingerbread decorating, holiday crafts, and winter stories on the big screen. All ages are welcome!

# WINTER BREAK PROGRAMS

# DROP IN, STITCH-ALONG CRAFTERNOON

Monday, Dec. 20, 1 - 4 PM, Storytime Room Come to the library on your first day of winter break for some cozy crafting! Elementary and junior high age kids are invited to drop in and create a homemade cross stitch ornament!

#### WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION: COZY CRAFTS & STORYTIME Tuesday, Dec. 21, 3 - 4:30 PM, Meeting Room A

Spend the last hour of daylight on the winter solstice with us! All ages are invited to the library as we celebrate the first day of winter and the shortest day of the year. Pajamas and cozy clothes are encouraged!

#### LEARN SALSA AND BACHATA

*Tuesday, Dec. 28, 4 - 5 PM, Meeting Room A* Come to the library for a late afternoon dance event where you will learn the basic moves of Salsa and Bachata!

#### THE COMEDY MAGIC OF RICK EUGENE

Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1 - 2 PM, Meeting Room A All ages are invited to attend this funny and family-friendly magic show with Rick "Eugene" Brammer, a popular magician from the Quad Cities.

### TUMBLIN' TOTS WITH IOWA GYM-NEST

Thursday, Dec. 30, 10:30 - 11:30 AM, Meeting Room A

This program will feature an obstacle course specifically designed for toddlers. Gym-Nest staff will guide participants through the course, utilizing a unique combination of obstacles to promote skill, strength, balance, and flexibility.

#### FONZIBA DRUMS!

*Thursday, Dec. 30, 1 - 2 PM, Meeting Room A* Fonziba's African drumming enables people to discover their innate personal creativity. Join us to get hands-on experience playing jembe hand or bass drums.

# ALL AGE EVENTS

## AFTER SCHOOL MINECRAFT

*Thursday, Dec. 9, 3 - 4 PM, Storytime Room* Do you play Minecraft and want to meet other Minecraft players? Come play in our Digital Media Lab. All abilities are welcome and group play is encouraged

#### **DROP-IN TUTORING FOR K-6 STUDENTS**

Mondays & Wednesdays, 4 - 6 PM, Children's Room

Need some homework help? Drop in to the Children's Room this fall to get a little extra help from a preservice teacher in the UI College of Education.

#### SUNDAY FUN DAYS

Sundays, 1 - 4 PM, Storytime Room Sunday, Dec. 5: Snowman Card Making Sunday, Dec. 12: Tea Light Snowman Necklace Sunday, Dec. 19: Cozy Winter Town Sunday, Dec. 26: Firecracker Sparkler Craft

#### HOLIDAY CRAFTING HOOPLA

Saturday, Dec. 11, 2 - 4 PM, Storytime Room Make a heap of holiday goodies to help you get in the holiday mood! Stop by the Storytime Room to create winter crafts to decorate or give away as gifts

# FAMILY NIGHT: MEET REPTILES WITH WITH THE COLD-BLOODED REDHEAD

Wednesday, Dec. 22, 6 - 7 PM, Meeting Room A

Lindsay Butikofer is a local reptile enthusiast with a passion for sharing her reptiles and invertabrates with children. Come meet lizards, arachnids, and snakes at the library! This event is limited to 50 attendees, so arrive early.

# TWEENS

#### TOTALLY TWEENS: CRAFTING BONANZA

Thursday, Dec. 2, 4 - 5 PM, Meeting Room A

Create some phenomenal pieces to give as gifts this holiday season or just keep for yourself: a ceramic drink coaster using Sharpies and peroxide; a "printed" candle using tissue paper and a hairdryer; or bath salts in a jar with scented oils.

## TOTALLY TWEENS: DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS CLUB

Thursdays, Dec. 9 & 23, 3 - 4 PM, Storytime Room

You will learn how to make characters, roleplay, keep track of your stats and have a great time playing this exciting roleplay game with other tweens.

#### SCIENTWEENS

*Thursday, Dec. 16, 4 - 5 PM, Meeting Room A* This monthly hands-on program for tweens gives you a chance to use cool scientific equipment to discover and explore the world around you.

#### BABY-SITTER'S CLUB ESCAPE ROOM

*Thursday, Dec. 30, 4 - 5 PM, Meeting Room A* Use your wits and work in groups to solve puzzles, answer trivia, and crack codes to escape a playroom!

