

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

<p>COMING TO A UNIVERSE NEAR YOU</p> <h2>A UNIVERSE OF STORIES</h2> <p>SUMMER READING PROGRAM</p>		<p>1 10:30 - 11 AM StoryJAM</p>	<p>2 10:30 - 11 AM Preschool Stories & More: Japanese Storytime with Sadie</p> <p>3:30 - 5 PM Game On!</p>	<p>3 10:30 - 11 AM 1:30 - 2 PM Book Babies</p> <p>5:30 - 7:30 PM Friday Flick: The Little Mermaid</p>	<p>4 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime: Children's Book Week</p>	
<p>5 2 - 4 PM Sunday Fun Day: Japanese Koinobori</p>	<p>6 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime</p>	<p>7 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime</p>	<p>8 10:30 - 11 AM StoryJAM</p>	<p>9 10:30 - 11 AM Orchestra Iowa: Pied Piper</p> <p>10:30 - 11 AM Preschool Stories & More</p> <p>3:30 - 5 PM After School Minecraft</p>	<p>10 10:30 - 11 AM 1:30 - 2 PM Book Babies: Spanish / English</p> <p>5:30 - 7:30 PM Friday Flick: Aladdin</p>	<p>11 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime</p> <p>12 - 1 PM ● Mother's Day Art Project: Beautiful Blossoms with Big Picture Studio</p>
<p>12 2 - 4 PM Sunday Fun Day: Moms Rock!</p>	<p>13 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime</p> <p style="background-color: #004a99; color: white; padding: 2px;">Summer Reading Program Registration Begins!</p>	<p>14 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime</p> <p>4 - 5 PM After School Lego Club</p>	<p>15 10:30 - 11 AM StoryJAM</p> <p>3:30 - 4:30 PM ScienTweens</p>	<p>16 10:30 - 11 AM Weber Days: Irving Weber Storytime</p> <p>4 - 6 PM Meet Elsworth Carman, Library Director</p> <p>3:30 - 5 PM Game On!</p>	<p>17 10:30 - 11 AM 1:30 - 2 PM Book Babies</p> <p>5:30 - 7:30 PM Friday Flick: The Hunchback of Notre Dame</p>	<p>18 9 - 10 AM Special Access Browsing Hour</p> <p>10:30 - 11 AM Weber Days: Storytime with Johnson County Fair Queen Caroline Young</p>
<p>19 2 - 4 PM Sunday Fun Day: Unicorn Hand Puppets</p>	<p>20 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime</p>	<p>21 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime</p>	<p>22 10:30 - 11 AM StoryJAM</p>	<p>23 10:30 - 11 AM Preschool Stories & More</p> <p>3:30 - 5 PM ● After School Minecraft</p>	<p>24 10:30 - 11 AM 1:30 - 2 PM Book Babies</p> <p>5:30 - 7:30 PM Friday Flick: Hercules</p>	<p>25 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime</p>
<p>26 2 - 4 PM Sunday Fun Day: Ice Cream Cones for Weber Days</p>	<p>27 MEMORIAL DAY LIBRARY CLOSED</p>	<p>28 10:30 - 11 AM Orchestra Storytime with Regina Students</p> <p>4 - 5 PM After School Lego Club</p> <p>6 - 7 PM ● Weber Days Family Night: Mural Walk with Thomas Agran, Director of Public Art</p>	<p>29 10:30 - 11 AM StoryJAM</p>	<p>30 10:30 - 11 AM Preschool Stories & More: Doodlebugs with Cedar Rapids Museum of Art</p> <p>3:30 - 5 PM Game On!</p>	<p>31 10:30 - 11 AM 1:30 - 2 PM Book Babies Special: Music Together</p> <p>5:30 - 7:30 PM Friday Flick: Tarzan</p>	

Sunday Fun Day:

Sundays, 2:00pm - 4:00 pm, Storytime Room:

Japanese Koinobori - May 5

On Children's Day, families raise the carp-shaped koinobori flags with one carp for the father, one for the mother, and one carp for each child. Stop by the Storytime Room to celebrate and create your own Koinobori flag!

Moms Rock! - May 12

Show your mom why you love her with a kindness rock! Write kind words or draw a picture on a rock and give to mom, grandmother, aunt or any awesome woman in your life!

Unicorn Hand Puppets - May 19

Stop by to create your own custom unicorn complete with flowing rainbow yarn hair, and after you're done you can ride off into the sunset with your magical mythical horned friend!

Ice Cream Cones for Weber Days - May 26

Every May we celebrate the life of Iowa City historian Irving Weber. At one time, Mr. Weber was an owner of an ice cream shoppe in town! Today, create your own ice cream cone to your liking, just in time for summertime!

Weber Days:

Irving Weber Storytime

Thursday, May 16, 10:30am - 11:00am, Storytime Room

In celebration of Iowa City historian, Irving Weber, we will learn about his legend and his fascinating historical connections to Iowa City including his local history bus tours, his swimming career at Iowa and of course his days as an ice cream maker!

Storytime with Johnson County Fair Queen Caroline Young

Saturday, May 18, 10:30am - 11:00am, Storytime Room

In anticipation of summertime and fairs and in celebration of Weber Days, we will have a special guest for a Fair-themed storytime today, Johnson County Fair Queen Caroline Young. After stories, songs and information about the fair, Caroline will introduce us to one of her animal friends from her family's farm!

Family Night: Mural Walk with Thomas Agran, Director of Public Art

Tuesday, May 28, 6:00pm - 7:00pm, ICPL Linn St. Entrance

You may have noticed that some new amazing murals have appeared around downtown Iowa City. Now's your chance to take a tour with Thomas Agran, Director of Public Art for the Iowa City Downtown District. Iowa Citizens of all ages, with or without families, are invited for this evening stroll and art tour. Meet in the Lobby near the Linn Street entrance. This event will be canceled in the event of inclement weather. Registration is not strictly required but is strongly encouraged.

Special Storytimes:

Preschool Stories & More: Japanese Storytime with Sadie

Thursday, May 2, 10:30am - 11:00am, Storytime Room

This Sunday is Children's Day in Japan, a national holiday to respect children's personalities and to celebrate their happiness. Today we will have a special Japanese-speaking guest for Storytime, Sadie McDowell! She will help us read books about Japan, play a Japanese game, learn words and rhymes in Japanese. A frequent traveler to Japan, she can also answer any questions you have about the country. We will finish with a traditional Japanese craft!

Storytime: Children's Book Week

Saturday, May 4, 10:30am - 11:00am, Storytime Room

Today we are celebrating the 100th anniversary of National Children's Book Week with a storytime featuring beloved children's books old and new. We will also be highlighting works by local and well-known authors that are featured in ICPL's Hazel Westgate Collection which houses over 50 original artworks from the last 70 years of Children's Publishing history. This interactive storytime for all ages and stages combines books, rhymes, songs, and movement. Join us for fun and early literacy enrichment!

Orchestra Iowa: Pied Piper

Thursday, May 9, 10:30am - 11:00am, Meeting Room A

Join Orchestra Iowa's talented chamber ensembles as they introduce preschool-aged children to the instruments of the orchestra! Focused on fun and learning, Pied Piper Concerts offer children the opportunity to enjoy an up-close and personal chamber concert. This week we will be learning about the brass section and sampling music performed by a brass quintet.

Orchestra Storytime with Regina Students

Tuesday, May 28, 10:30am - 11:00am, Meeting Room A

Join us for a free musical performance with Regina's youngest Orchestra students! Early exposure to a variety of music increases the capacity of the brain to learn and understand. This is a great opportunity to engage your child's body and mind in traditional music in a fun and kid-friendly environment!

Preschool Stories & More: Doodlebugs with Cedar Rapids Museum of Art

Thursday, May 30, 10:30am - 11:00am, Storytime Room

Of all the shades of blue we can see, ultraviolet light is usually invisible... but we'll use it in today's book and art project. And be sure to stop the museum to see the Blue Exhibit-- Into the Blue celebrates the hue in both two and three-dimensional works across all media and examines how blue has been incredibly important to artists for centuries. Doodlebugs is a free preschool series for families incorporating a read-aloud story and a simple art project created with educator Erin Thomas from the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art.

Book Babies Special: Music Together

Friday, May 31, 10:30am - 11:00am & 1:30pm - 2:00pm, Meeting Room A

Music Together is an innovative, research-based program for children ages newborn to four years old their parents or caregivers. Come have fun with your kiddo with this music experience through song, rhythm, movement and instrument play.

More Special Programs:

After School Minecraft

Thursday, May 9 & 23, 3:30pm - 5:00pm, Digital Media Lab

Do you play Minecraft and want to meet other Minecraft players? Come play at the library in our Digital Media Lab. Build peacefully in creative mode or fight to stay alive in survival mode. All abilities are welcome and group play is encouraged.

Mother's Day Art Project: Beautiful Blossoms with Big Picture Studio

Saturday, May 11, 12:00pm - 1:00pm, Meeting Room A

School Age Kids (Kindergarten through 6th grade) are invited to create beautiful paper flowers for Mother's Day or to celebrate the coming of spring with Amy from Big Picture Art Studio. During this one hour workshop you will create two beautiful paper flowers with three dimensional components using watercolors! Moms are invited as well to help create art with their kids! Registration is required and is limited to 30.

Special Access Browsing Hour

Saturday, May 18, 9:00am - 10:00am, Storytime Room, Children's Room

On selected days, the Library will open one hour early for individuals with autism and their families to enjoy the library together in a neutral environment. We will be celebrating summer starting soon! We will be doing early Summer Reading Sign-up, crafts, and playing life size games. The Teen Room will be open for teens to play computer and video games. Therapy animals will also be on hand to wander through the library giving support and friendship. The library will also use natural lighting throughout the library to accommodate those with light sensitivity.

Totally Tweens:

Just for 3rd-6th graders!

ScienTweens

Wednesday, May 15, 3:30pm - 4:30pm, Storytime Room

Don't just learn science- DO science with the Iowa City Science Booster Club. This monthly hands-on program for tweens gives you a chance to use cool scientific equipment to discover and explore the world around you.

Game On!

Thursday, May 2, 16, & 30, 3:30pm - 4:30pm, Storytime Room

If you love games, the library has you covered. Come play video games on the Wii, WiU and Switch or go low-tech and play one of our board games.

