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All programs in the Iowa City Public Library's Carol Spaziani Intellectual Freedom Festival are free and open to the public.

Sunday Fun Day:

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

Eric Carle's Collage Stars - September 1

One of our favorite authors is Eric Carle, and one of his books "Draw Me a Star" was challenged because of depictions of the human body. Today create your own collage star to celebrate your right to read!

Grandparent's Day Hug Cards - September 8

Today is National Grandparents Day! Celebrate the special grandparent(s) in your life by creating a custom card with your hand prints. Then write a nice note to tell them how much you love them. If you can't give them a hug every day, this is the next best thing!

Pirate Day Parrots - September 15

Aaaaaaaaaaaaaarrrrrrrrrrgh! September 19th is International Talk Like a Pirate Day. We're getting ready today by creating these feathery parrots!

Hispanic Ojos de Dios - September 22

We will create Ojos de Dios, Spanish for "Eyes of God", made from yarn woven around a cross figure. The spiritual eye of the Ojos de Dios is thought by some believers to have the power to see and understand things unknown to the physical eye.

Watercolor Leaf Garland - September 29

Fall is in the air and the leaves are turning amazing colors! Recreate the vibrant foliage by making your own garland using watercolor accordion-folded paper!

Preschool Stories & More:

A preschool-age oriented program for preschoolers where longer stories and books are shared with fewer activities. Preschool Storytime is recommended for children who are 3,4, or 5 years old.

Birds of Prey with Raptology

Thursday, September 5, 10:30am - 11:00am, Storytime Room

We will have a few special guests join us for storytime today! Bird expert Joan will bring a bird friend or two for preschoolers to meet and learn about! Joan will answer all of your bird questions as well!

IFF Short Film Festival

Thursday, September 12, 10:30am - 11:30am, Meeting Room A

We are celebrating Intellectual Freedom at the library this month! Enjoy several animated shorts of frequently banned or challenged picture books such as Where the Wild Things Are, Strega Nona, The Snowy Day Little Red Riding Hood, and Babar. Note that this program will be longer than a normal storytime, so feel free to stop in for part or all of the movies. Popcorn will be served!

Tippi Toes

Thursday, September 19, 10:30am - 11:00am, Meeting Room A

Tippi Toes provides children with a fun, positive and nurturing environment so they are able to experience the joys of dance, self-expression and movement. Classes are specifically designed to develop motor skills and body awareness while enhancing each child's self-esteem.

Special Storytimes:

Musical Storytime with Marc Falk

Saturday, September 7, 10:30am - 11:00am, Storytime Room

Join us for a Musical Storytime with Marc Falk! Marc Falk, a music professor at Coe College and founder of Iowa City's Outdoor Adventure Camps, will present a concert of fun and interactive music for kids and parents.

Storytime with Ellen Buchanan

Saturday, September 21, 10:30am - 11:00am, 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!



More Programs:

After School Lego Club

Tuesday, September 10 & September 24, 4:00pm - 5:00pm, Storytime Room

Lego Club is an informal hour of lego building from 4-5pm the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Lego Club is intended for school age kids, but younger siblings are allowed to tag along, we will have duplos available as well as regular legos and baseboards. Each meeting will have a new optional creation theme, but builders can ignore the theme if they choose and build whatever they feel like. At the end of Lego Club, builders have the option to share with the group what they made. Occasionally creations will be saved and displayed in a display case at the library! *Registration is not required.*

After School Minecraft

Thursday, September 12 & September 26, 3:00pm - 4:30pm, 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. *This event is for all school age children (grades K-6).*

Family Fort Night!

Tuesday, September 17, 6:30pm - 7:30pm, Children's Room

Have you ever wanted to cozy up with a book in your own little fort in the library? Now's your chance! The whole family is invited to create a fort somewhere in the Children's Room to share stories together. Forts can stay up until 8:30. We will have a fort contest to determine the most well-constructed fort. We'll provide fort-making materials, or you are welcome to bring your own. Just make sure you bring your fort-making skills!

Belly Babies: A Special Library Event for Expecting Parents

Saturday, September 21, 12:30pm - 3:00pm, Storytime Room

Each session is 30 minutes:

- Prenatal yoga, taught by Karen Gordon. Wear comfortable clothing. Non-pregnant partners welcome, (no experience necessary).
- Information about reading to your belly.
- Tips and information about Breastfeeding & support from a lactation consultant, Kimberly Hendricks.
- An opportunity to meet with Doula's and AP babywearing group to learn about Babywearing.
- Food! There will be light snacks and beverages.
- Register for prizes.

Totally Tweens:

Just for 3rd-6th graders!

Panels & Pizza

Thursday, September 19, 3:30pm - 4:30pm, Storytime Room

Join us for a new book club just for Tweens (grades 3-6)! Totally Tweens are welcome to join us for a monthly meet-up to read and discuss graphic novels. We'll be talking about old favorites, reading new titles, and doing occasional activities around them. Plus pizza will be served! This month we will be discussing "The Cardboard Kingdom" by Chad Sell!

