



## GET CREATIVE IN ICPL'S **DIGITAL MEDIA LAB**

Join us on **Saturday, June 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** for the official opening of our new Digital Media Lab!

Located on the Library's second floor, in the former Computer Lab, the renovated Digital Media Lab is an open workspace with technology for creating digital media projects, providing users access to programs and technology they might not have at home.

"We wanted the space to be open and available to patrons beyond programming or classes," Library Assistant Jennifer Eilers says. "There's a lot of talk about Maker Spaces, but what we wanted most was a place for patrons to work on projects that were inspired or started in the classes we were teaching."

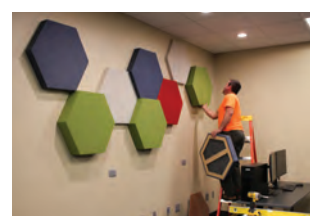
At the same time, Eilers said, the old space was locked in the outdated teaching style, where students face the front and the teacher teaches.

"We hoped to change the space from a rigid, fixed formal

classroom arrangement to an open, flexible space that would accommodate a variety of uses at the same time as well as offer more space for larger programs," Library Director Susan Craig says. "The renovation nearly doubled the room's capacity."

The Digital Media Lab's new seating and laptop computers allows users to spread out and work together, whether it's during a Library class, a Minecraft session, or individual projects during open Lab hours.

The technology and resources in the Lab support the creation of projects such as photo books with edited family pictures; digitizing old photos or family memorabilia; making movies with tran-



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Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Friday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Sunday Noon - 5 p.m.

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sitions, credits, and soundtrack; logo or graphic designs; cards, calendars or other printable items; and transferring VHS home movies to digital storage.

Adobe Creative Cloud suite software – which includes Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign – is among the programs available, as well as a large format scanner for photos and slides, a color printer, and portable photo scanners.

“We wanted to have a space for people who had the know-how to use specialized software to come and use it,” Eilers said. “Adobe is professional-level soft-

ware that is very expensive. We can't put it on all of the Library's computers, but we could make it available to individuals if they became members of the Lab.”

Library patrons with a valid Library Card become a Lab member by completing a 15 to 20 minute orientation. Several orientations will be held throughout the day of the grand opening, along with tutorials on using the Lab's equipment.

Funding for the project came from the City of Iowa City and the Iowa City Public Library Friends Foundation.

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This free access is available through the Digital Johnson County collections ICPL shares with the Coralville Public Library and the North Liberty Community Library.

Iowa City Library Card holders must live in Iowa City, Hills, Lone Tree, University Heights, or rural Johnson County to access the website. Coralville residents get free access through the Coralville Public Library website using their Coralville Library Card, while North Liberty residents use their North Liberty Library Card on the North Liberty Community Library website.

A code is needed to access *The New York Times* website. Visit **icpl.org/nytimes** to learn how to get your code.



# Thank you for supporting the Iowa City Public Library

The new Digital Media Lab's state-of-the-art technology equipment and software are possible thanks to gifts from the Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust, and the Iowa City Public Library Friends Foundation.

The Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust awarded \$45,000 to enable you to create amazing videos, scan your treasured photos, and have access to equipment and programs which might be too expensive to purchase for home use.

The Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust is committed to improving communities through public library grants and has awarded millions of dollars in support of projects like the Digital Media Lab.

And, thank you to everyone who donates to the ICPL Friends Foundation. Every year, the Friends Foundation

gives the Library at least \$100,000 to be used for whatever is needed most. Those needs change continually. For example, when everyone wants to read the latest just-published book, gift funds can be used to order enough extra copies to meet demand. Gift funds also cover the additional costs experienced when Library visits soar during summer months because children are out of school and attending daily programs.

Your generosity changes people's lives. During the recent Friends Foundation Looking Forward fundraising event, Library Director Susan Craig shared this comment that was received during the ICPL user survey in March: "As a low income resident I rely on ICPL for a huge part of my access to life, society, culture and knowledge. My life would be seriously compromised if ICPL were not available to me."



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## Gifts Make a Difference

When you donate to the Iowa City Public Library Friends Foundation, you give more to read and provide experiences which connect, engage, and enrich the quality of life for everyone! Donating is easy:

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Direct debit from your bank account. Contact Patty McCarthy (see below) to provide information.

### MAIL A DONATION

Make a check payable to ICPL Friends Foundation. Send to the Development Office, Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn St., Iowa City IA 52240.

### BRING A DONATION

Visit the Development Office in the Business Office on the Library's second floor, weekdays 10a.m.-noon and 1-5p.m.

### USE OUR DONATION BOX

Located near the book return slots inside the Library.

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# ARE YOU READY TO ROCK?

**Libraries Rock**, the **2018 Summer Reading Program**, will be held June 1 through August 11, with 11 weeks of programming events designed to inform, entertain, and keep everyone reading all summer long.

"Every year we talk about the 'summer slide,' how children lose academic skills during summer vacation," Coordinator of Children's Services Angela Pilkington says.

According to the National Summer Learning Association, students experience learning losses when they do not engage in educational activities during summer vacation. At the same time, parents consistently cite summer as the most difficult time to ensure their children have productive things to do.

"Studies have shown students can lose up to two reading levels during summer vacation if they don't read," Teen Services Librarian Brian Visser says. "You want to maintain over the summer and the best

way to do that is read. We don't care what you read. You can read comic books, magazines, or even listen to books. All of it counts; all of it is reading."

"Participating in our Summer Reading Program helps keep kids' minds engaged," Pilkington adds. "The program is designed to motivate readers of all levels in fun, new ways."

**Libraries Rock** is available to readers of all ages and abilities, babies through adults. Registration begins May 24, during which participants will receive game cards to track their summer reading goals. The program itself won't begin until June 1. Summer Reading Program prizes will be available for distribution beginning June 4. Programs start that day, too.

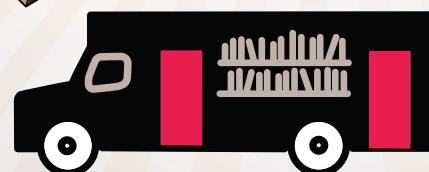
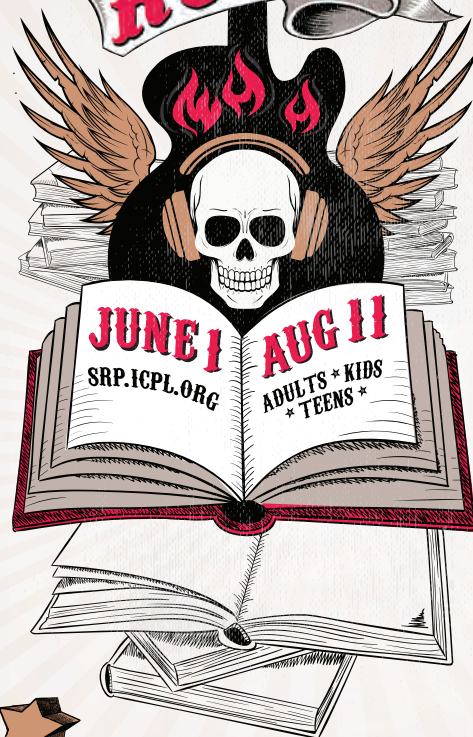
To learn more about **Libraries Rock**, see this year's full lineup of programs, and to register online, visit [srp.icpl.org](http://srp.icpl.org). You may also register at the Library.

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## SUMMER READING PROGRAM

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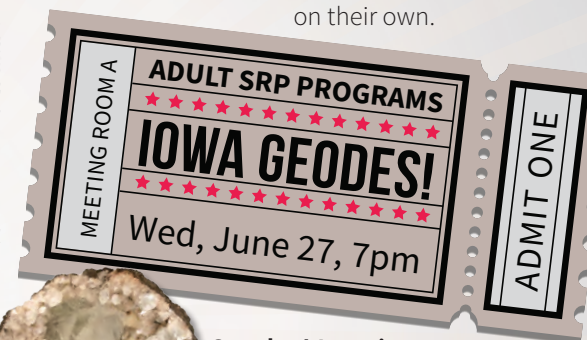
**Stories in the Park** will be held from 10:30 to 11 a.m. beginning Monday, June 4, through Friday, August 3. There won't be Stories in the Park or Bookmobile service on Wednesday, July 4.

Stories in the Park is a mix of traditional storytimes and special performances. Once again, **the Bookmobile will be present at all Stories in the Park dates.**



### Explore the Devonian Fossil Gorge with the Cedar Valley Rock & Mineral Society

Geologist Ray Anderson and members of the Cedar Valley Rocks and Minerals Society will help us explore the area and answer questions. Copies of the Corps of Engineers self-guiding tour brochure will be available for those who want to explore on their own.

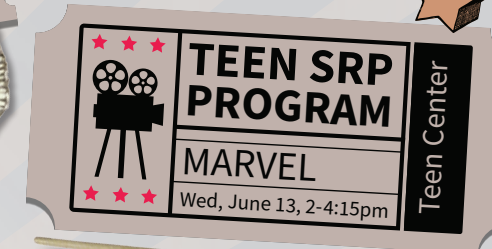


### Geodes! Iowa's Mysterious State Rock

Iowa designated the geode the official state rock in 1967, but geologists are still not certain how these beautiful and mysterious geologic wonders form. Join Ray Anderson from the Cedar Valley Rocks and Minerals Society as he shares the secrets of this most mysterious of rocks. We may even crack a few open to discover the treasures inside!

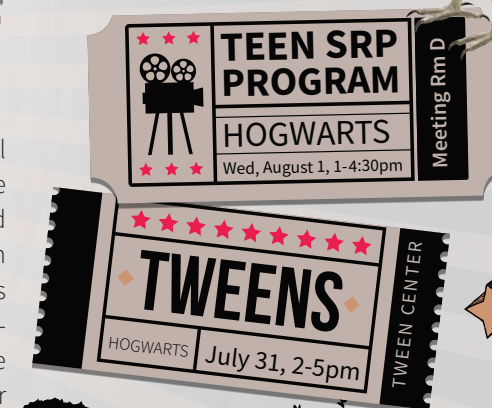
### The Marvel Culinary Universe

Get ready to cook snacks and treats in the style of our heroes from the Marvel Cinematic Universe. Teens are invited to cook up a storm of fandom eats. Cosplay is encouraged! For grades 7-12.



### Escape from Hogwarts

\*Registration is required\* Something evil has returned to Hogwarts! Use your magical knowledge, skills, and spells in a real-life adventure game to escape Dementors and Death Eaters. Teens or Tweens come together as Hogwarts Houses to solve a series of puzzles and clues to break out of the wizarding school. Pumpkin juice and butterbeer will be served!



### Musical Mayhem

Start off the summer with plenty of tunes. Join us for musical freeze tag, karaoke and song trivia.

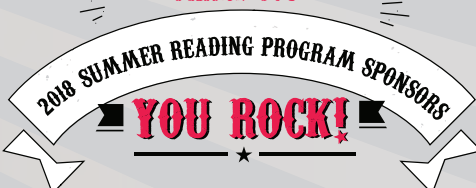


### Try It Out Fridays

Learn something new every Friday this summer, from watercolors and dancing to yoga to Jazzercise!



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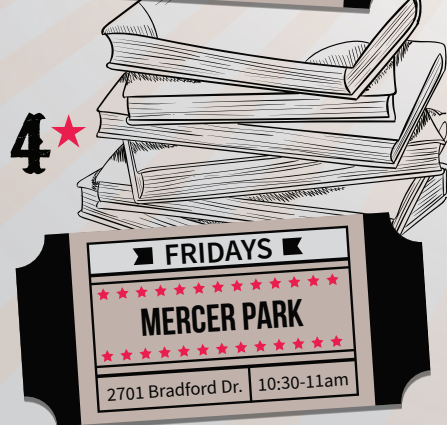
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# We like this: Staff Picks

Have you ever wondered what books ICPL staff have piled on their night-stands? Or what movies they watch on a cozy Saturday night? Now you can see what entertainment our staff loves, thanks to our newly revamped Staff Picks webpage!

"We work hard to create and maintain a quality collection for Iowa City," Collections Coordinator Anne Mangano says. "This new feature helps us to connect you with the books, movies, and music we love."

Visit [icpl.org/picks](http://icpl.org/picks) to see current favorites Library staff recommend. These staff members see the latest and greatest items that come through the door, as well as time-tested picks that have been part of our collection for years.

You can also browse staff profiles to explore whose preferences best match yours, or scroll through expertly curated lists on their favorite topics. Make a Staff Picks recommendations next on your own list. It's like having a personal librarian at your fingertips!

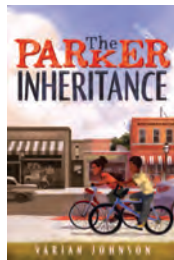
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## *The Parker Inheritance* by Varian Johnson



"Until I read this book I had never encountered a fun, casual middle grade puzzler that was, at the same time, socially conscious regarding the topic of race in America, with a clear, keen sense of how the past affects the present in every way. This will be a great read for all those 9- to 12-year-olds!"



ANGIE

## *Emergency Contact* by Mary H. K. Choi



"Absolutely charming book! I haven't been this invested in a fictional couple for quite a while. Also, the cover is gorgeous!"



BRIAN

## *The Tea Dragon Society* written & illustrated by Katie O'Neill



"Pick this graphic novel up for the whimsical fantasy art and keep reading it for the gentle story exploring themes of friendship, memory, and tradition. Greta wonders why her mother is teaching her the art of blacksmithing when swords are no longer used. When she saves a tiny tea dragon and begins to train as a tea dragon caretaker, she forges new friendships and makes new memories, realizing the value in keeping old skills alive."



MORGAN

In need of your next great read? We have suggestions for you!

## *Less* by Andrew Sean Greer



"Arthur Less is about to turn 50. His latest book was rejected by his publisher, his long term ex is getting married and wants Arthur at the wedding. To avoid this, Arthur accepts a variety of literary event invitations and has his own comical adventure."



BETH





# ICPL's collections on display

While many visitors come to ICPL searching for a specific book or information, there's a special thrill that comes from watching a patron choose a book from one of our book displays – especially if it is a title that a staff person added to the shelves.

“Just as books open people’s minds, passing by a display about an important or surprising topic makes my day more interesting,” Library Assistant Stacey McKim says.

With nearly 175,000 books to choose from in ICPL's collection, it isn't possible to shine a spotlight on every single title.

“Library displays are meant to cultivate serendipitous moments of discovery for patrons – micro-moments when something new is learned, a passion kindled, or a memory sparked,” Community and Access Services Coordinator Kara Logsdon says.

Most displays are rotated every two weeks, while smaller displays marking a current event – like the death of an author – may remain until all items are checked out. Display topics range from current events and awareness months, to pop culture and lasting trends.

Library staff contribute display ideas, adding to the variety of titles featured. Library Director Susan Craig suggested our “Bottoms Up” display, featuring books that live on the bot-

tom shelves. This display gave some of these titles their day in the sun and was kind on patrons’ knees.

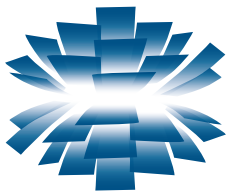
We’ve also had displays imagining what items characters from beloved TV shows – like *Parks and Recreation*, and *Friends* – and literature, like Harry Potter, would check out from ICPL.

Once a display theme is determined, staff search the catalog for titles that satisfy the subject. Some displays are easier to fill than others. For instance, any book with a red cover can go on the “I don’t remember the title, but the cover was red” display, while “Armchair Travel” is more specific and includes titles about exploring the world.

“I really enjoy the Time Machine displays,” McKim says. “With a wide variety of books, movies, and music created in a particular decade together on the display, you’ll be transported back in time and might be surprised by the juxtapositions.”



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### Monday

10:30-11:30am Willow Creek Park  
Noon-12:30pm North Dodge Hy-Vee  
1:30-2:00pm Legacy Independent Living  
2:15-2:45pm Bickford Senior Living  
3:00-3:30pm Regency Heights Apartments  
3:45-4:30pm Lemme Elementary

### Tuesday

9:30-10:15am Weber Elementary  
10:30-11:30am Oaknoll Retirement Comm., George St.  
11:45-12:15pm Melrose Meadows  
12:30-1:00pm Emerson Point  
2:00-2:45pm Alexander Elementary  
3:00-4:00pm Grant Wood Elementary

### Wednesday

10:30-11:30am Wetherby Park  
12:30-1:00pm First Avenue Hy-Vee  
1:30-2:00pm Iowa City Rehabilitation  
2:30-3:00pm Frauenholtz-Miller Park  
3:30-4:00pm Forest View  
4:30-5:30pm UI Comm. Credit Union, Mormon Trek

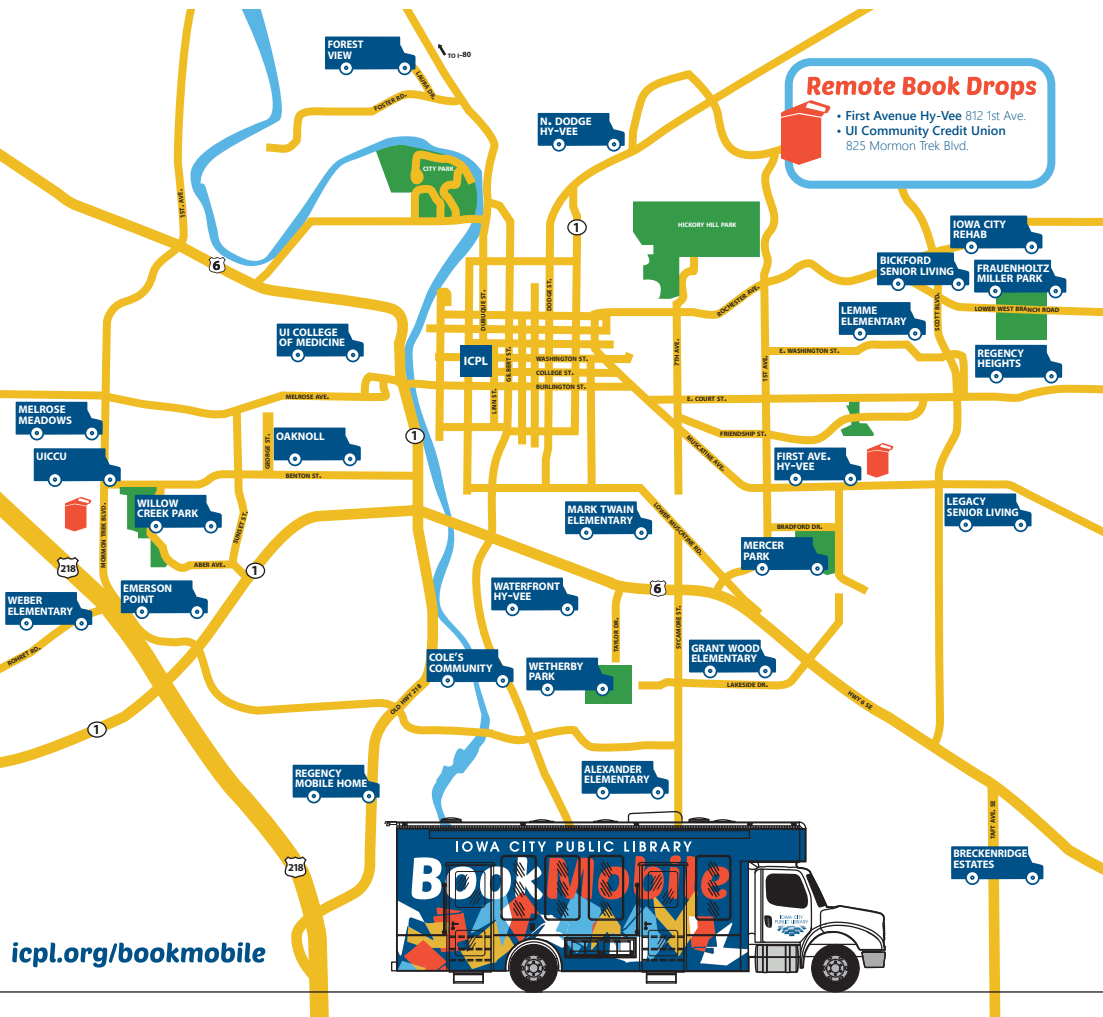
### Thursday

11:00-1:00pm UI College of Medicine  
MERF/PBDB/BSB Courtyard  
2:30-3:30pm Mark Twain Elementary  
4:00-4:30pm Regency Mobile Home Community  
5:00-5:30pm Waterfront Hy-Vee  
6:30-7:30pm Party in the Park (various locations)

### Friday

10:30-11:30am Mercer Park  
Noon-1:00pm Breckenridge Estates  
1:30-2:00pm Cole's Community, Riverside Dr.

All stops are open to the public.



### Remote Book Drops

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• UI Community Credit Union  
825 Mormon Trek Blvd.

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