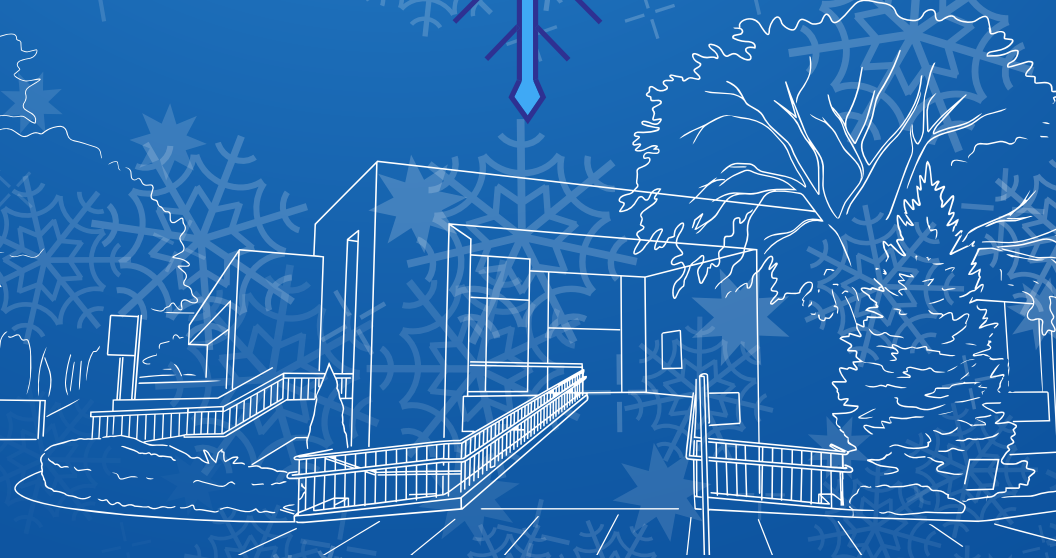
MRL
Morrisson-Reeves Library

# Winter

## LIBRARY PROGRAM GUIDE

2026 2027



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# BOOK SALE

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## THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY
## FEB 11 2-7PM
## FEB 12 10-5:30PM
## FEB 13 10-2PM

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Explore the extraordinary Arctic Circle! This fascinating 50-minute program will teach you about the survival adaptations of animals in this frozen desert, from specialized mammals and birds to insects and reptiles.

# Animals of the NORTH POLE



**Monday, December 21, 6PM**



# DECEMBER, JANUARY & FEBUARY EVENTS

## PRESCHOOL

### Preschool Pre-K Pages and Play

Ages 2-5

**Tuesdays, 10AM**
**December 1, 8, 15, 22, 20**
**January 5, 12, 19, 26**
**February 2, 9, 16, 23**

Join us for some weekly Pre-K fun at MRL. Every Tuesday, we will explore stories, complete a craft, and at the end of every session... PLAY! Each week will have a different theme, so make sure to join us each week.

### Stuffies Night at the Library

Ages 2-12

**Wednesday, December 2 6PM**

You are invited to a special Stuffies Night at the Library for an evening filled with stories and fun alongside your favorite stuffed animal. After the storytime ends, your fuzzy friend can stay behind to spend the night at the library for an exciting sleepover adventure. You can pick up your stuffie the next day, along with a custom photo book showing all the fun activities your toy got into overnight. Children who prefer not to leave their stuffed animal behind are still welcome to bring them for the storytime portion of the evening.

### Wiggle Worms

Ages 0-2

**Fridays, 10AM**
December 4, 11, 18
January 22, 29
February 5, 12, 19, 26

Get ready to wiggle and giggle at Wiggle Worms! This interactive storytime is perfect for our youngest library visitors. We'll sing bouncy songs, play fun fingerplays, and explore a variety of toys together. It's a wonderful opportunity for your little one to socialize and for you to connect with other caregivers in a warm and supportive environment.

### Music Movement and Stories

Ages 2-5

**Thursdays 10AM**
December 3, 10, 17
January 21, 28
February 4, 11, 18, 25

Sing, move, and learn together at Music, Movement, & Stories! This interactive storytime is designed to engage your little one with fun songs, fingerplays, and stories, all while using diverse and exciting props. It's a fantastic opportunity for your child to develop their motor skills and language, and for you to connect with other caregivers in a welcoming and supportive environment.

### Disney Bingo

All Ages

**Saturday, February 6 1:30PM**

Come have a fun afternoon playing Disney Bingo. Families and children of all ages are welcome to come have some fun with us at this Disney-themed Bingo hour and maybe even win a prize.

# CHILDREN

## Cupcake Club

Ages 6-8

**First Mondays, 5:30 PM**
December 7
January 4
February 1

Sweeten your reading experience at Cupcake Club! Join us each month for a delightful book club designed for kids in grades K-2. We'll read exciting stories, discuss our favorite parts, and best of all, enjoy delicious cupcakes while we chat! Pick up your book at the Youth Services Desk and get ready for a tasty adventure in reading.

## Kids Corner

Ages 6-12

**Tuesdays, 4PM**
**December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**
**January 5, 12, 19, 26**
**February 2, 9, 16, 23**

Kids Corner features a new activity for kids every Tuesday. Each week focuses on a unique theme that might include science experiments, art projects, or celebrations of special days. Because the activities change every single week, there is always something fresh and interesting to do with your friends. See our website to see the specific topics we have planned for each upcoming date.

## Homeschool Hangout

All Ages

**First Wednesdays, 10:30AM**
December 2
January 6
February 3

Looking for a supportive and social environment for your homeschool family? Come to our Homeschool Hangout! Kids can engage in fun activities, while parents connect and share valuable resources. It's a great way to build friendships and find support within the homeschool community.

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## Youth Dance Party

Ages 0-12

**Saturday, December 5, 1PM**

Dance the afternoon away with us at the youth dance party for families and children up to age twelve. Participants can enjoy music and movement together in a lively environment.

## Sock Snowperson

Ages 9-12

**Wednesday, December 9, 5:30PM**

Learn how to craft a snowperson using a simple sock and a variety of other materials. Participants will follow instructions to build and decorate their own unique winter character. This hands-on activity provides a creative way to make a festive decoration for the season.
**Registration Required**

## Little Artists

Ages 6-12

**Select Saturdays, 11AM-12:30PM**
**Dec 12, Jan 9, Feb 20**
Little artists, come join us and create! Together we will create an art project to be displayed in the library for all to see! Every month will be a new project.

## Holiday Free Swap and Gift Wrapping

Ages 9-18

**Saturday, December 19, 11:30AM**

Give your old clothes and toys a new home this holiday season at our Holiday Swap. You can drop off your gently used items at the youth services desk between **November 1 and December 18**. On December 19, everyone is welcome to browse the collection and pick out items for themselves or their loved ones. If you plan to give your new finds as presents, we will have a gift wrapping station available for you to wrap them on site.

## Popcorn and Paperbacks

Ages 6-12

**Third Monday, 5:30PM**
**December 21**
**January 18**
**February 15**

Join our book club for 2nd-4th graders, where we'll explore awesome stories and share our thoughts while munching on yummy popcorn. It's a great way to make friends and discover new favorite books.

## Crystal Snowflakes

Ages 9-12

**Wednesday, December 23, 5:30 PM**

Learn how to create a sparkling crystal snowflake using a variety of colorful gems. You will arrange and attach different stones to build a unique winter design.

## Dragon Eye Watercolor

Ages 9-12

**Wednesday, January 13, 5:30 PM**

Paint a mythical dragon eye using watercolors. Children will use watercolor paint and paper to design and color a detailed eye. This hands-on activity provides an opportunity to practice painting techniques.
**Registration Required**

## Family Lego Play

All Ages

**Saturday, January 16, 1 PM**

Bring the whole family to the library for an afternoon of LEGO building. Participants can work together to construct custom designs and complete creative building challenges.

## Glitter and Good Reads

Ages 6-8

**Wednesday, January 20, 5PM**

Join us for Glitter and Good Reads to enjoy a short picture book followed by a lively dance party. Participants are encouraged to bring their favorite accessories or dress up in costumes for the event. The program features listening to a story, creating a craft, and dancing to music with friends.

## Animals of the North Pole with Live Reindeer

**Monday, December 21, 6PM**

Explore the extraordinary Arctic Circle! This fascinating 50-min program will teach you about the survival adaptations of animals in this frozen desert, from specialized mammals and birds to insects and reptiles. The best part? This presentation includes an appearance by a real, live reindeer!

## Clay Dragon Egg

Ages 9-12

**Wednesday, January 27, 1 PM**

Learn how to make a mythical dragon egg using clay and colorful gems. You will mold the clay into an egg shape and press the gems into the surface to create a textured, scaly design.

## Meet an Ice Carver

All Ages

**Thursday, January 28, 4PM**

Watch art in action! Join us as part of the Richmond Meltdown Winter Ice Festival to meet one of the ice carvers and observe this amazing process up close. See a professional artist expertly transform a block of ice into a stunning sculpture right before your eyes!

## Disney Bingo

All Ages

**Saturday February 6, 1:30 PM**

Come have a fun afternoon playing Disney Bingo. Families and children of all ages are welcome to come have some fun with us at this Disney-themed Bingo hour and maybe even win a prize.

## Bubble Dough

**Ages 9-12**

**Wednesday, February 10**

Patrons will be able to mix together their own dough using supplies provided.

**Registration Required**

## Cardboard Critters

Ages 6-12

**February 13, 10:30AM**

Transform everyday household trash into a brand new toy at Cardboard Critters. Children will use a variety of recyclable materials to build and decorate your own custom creature. You are encouraged to bring your own clean items from home to give your design even more unique character.

## Stress Ball

**Wed, February 24, 5:30PM**

Using materials provided, kids create this unique-feeling stress ball.

**Registration Required**

# TEEN




## Teen Lego Night

**First Thursdays 5PM**
**December 3**
**January 7**
**February 4**

Test your skills and speed in a series of creative brick-building challenges at Teen LEGO Night. Participants will take on various activities that push their engineering and design abilities to the limit.

## Stranded and Snowed in Escape Room

**Thursday, December 17, 5PM**

You and a group of friends are hiking a beautiful trail in a national park during winter when all of a sudden a freak snowstorm hits. Luckily, you find a warming cabin, a shelter put specifically along the trail for anyone who might be stranded. Inside there are blankets and general supplies, but the food put there by the park rangers is all locked up so animals can't get to it. The codes are hidden somewhere in the cabin. You don't know how long you're
going to be here, but as the snow begins to quickly pile up, it's better to be safe than sorry.

## Craft and Create Meetup

Ages 12+
**Thursday, January 28, 6 PM**
**Thursday, February 25, 6PM**

Connect with fellow creators for a hands-on crafting session! Projects include corzy crafts and collage art. All materials are provided by the library.

## Moose on the Loose Escape Room

**Thursday, February 18, 5PM**

There's a moose on the loose and he's running through the streets of Billings, Montana! First to find him… then to figure out what to do to get him back where he belongs.

**DECEMBER 12**
**JANUARY 30**
**FEBRUARY 24**
**1-3PM**




**Registration required**

Reuse and upcycle everyday household trash into fun and functional art pieces at Junk Re-Thunk. You will use a variety of clean recycled materials to build your own unique creations. While clean junk is provided for everyone to use, you are highly encouraged to bring your own clean recyclable items from home to add to your project.

# ADULT

## Ask a Lawyer

**First Thursdays, 4-6PM**
**December 3**
**January 7**
**February 4**

Get free legal advice at the library! Once a month, the Whitewater Valley Pro Bono Commission offers free, 20-minute, one-on-one consultations with a local attorney on civil legal matters. Service is offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

## Tech Help Thursdays

**December 3 – February 25**

**Afternoons (2:30–5:30 PM):**
**Dec 3, 17 · Jan 7, 21 · Feb 4, 18**

**Mornings (10 AM–12 PM):**
**Dec 10 · Jan 14, 28 · Feb 11, 25**

Got tech questions? We've got answers! Using library equipment as available or bring your own portable device, get one-on-one help to answer ryour tech questions.

## Yoga at the Library

**Select Saturdays,**
**11:30 am - 12:30 pm**

**December 5, 19**
**January 2, 16**
**February 6, 20**

Yoga at the Library is a free class available for all levels. Comfortable clothes are recommended. Bring your mat or use one provided.

## Drop-In Mindfulness Club

**First and Third Saturdays, 10AM**

**December 5, 19**
**January 2, 16**
**February 6, 20**

This secular, guided group mindfulness and meditation sessions appropriate for new and experienced meditators and everyone in between. Each gathering begins with a brief discussion of the week's practice, followed by a guided meditation and then a debrief session.

## Sound Bath Sessions

**Second Tuesdays, 5:30PM**
**December 8, 5:30PM**
**January 12, 5:30PM**
**February 9, 5:30PM**

Reduce stress and promote overall wellness with a sound bath session led by Alyssa Hanson. Experience a deep meditative state as vibrational music from singing bowls encourages harmony and healing. These ancient instruments, rooted in Tibetan and Himalayan cultures, are believed to resonate with the body's energy fields.

## Strings in the Stacks

**Second Thursdays, 6PM**
**December 10**
**January 14**
**February 11**

Unwind and enjoy a relaxing evening of live string music in the stunning Tiffany Reading Lounge. This series presents an eclectic selection of string music performed right among the books.

## Junk Re-Thunk

**Saturday, December 12**
**Saturday ,January 30**
**Wednesday, February 24**
**1-3PM**

Reuse and upcycle everyday household trash into fun and functional art pieces at Junk Re-Thunk. You will use a variety of clean recycled materials to build your own unique creations. While clean junk is provided for everyone to use, you are highly encouraged to bring your own clean recyclable items from home to add to your project. **Registration required.**

## Art with Arianna

### Winter Floral Arrangements

**Wednesday, December 16, 5PM**

All supplies will be provided for you to make a small winter arrangement from artificial plants and stems. These arrangements brighten up a space during the cold winter months and are great to give as a gift! **Remember to sign up as space is limited!**

## You Matter Suicide Prevention Alliance Open Meeting

**Second Tuesdays**
**January 12**
**February 9**
**March 9**

Monthly open meeting of You Matter Suicide Prevention Alliance. This group was established to meet community needs relating to suicide prevention across three counties in East-Central Indiana.

## Jigsaw Puzzle Race

**Third Thursdays, 5:30PM**
**December 17**
**January 21**
**February 18**

On your mark, get set, solve! Gather your friends and test your puzzle skills in this fun, competitive race. Teams of 2 to 4 players will go head-to-head against the clock to complete a challenging 500-piece jigsaw puzzle. The fastes tteam to finish wins bragging rights and a great prize! Form your team and prepare for some fast-paced fun.



## Holiday Free Swap and Gift Wrapping

**Saturday, December 19, 11:30AM**

Give your old clothes and toys a new home this holiday season at our Holiday Swap. You can drop off your gently used items at the youth services desk between **November 1 and December 18.** On December 19**,** everyone is welcome to browse the collection and pick out items for themselves or their loved ones. If you plan to give your new finds as presents, we will have a gift wrapping station available for you to wrap them on site.

## Zine Workshop

**Saturday, January 9, 1PM**
**Saturday, February 27, 1PM**

Zines are a unique and innovative way to be creative with a handmade, individual print. They are whatever you want them to be and that's the beauty. Pieces can include (but are not limited to) collages, poems, comic strips, drawings, etc.

## Bridgerton Banquet

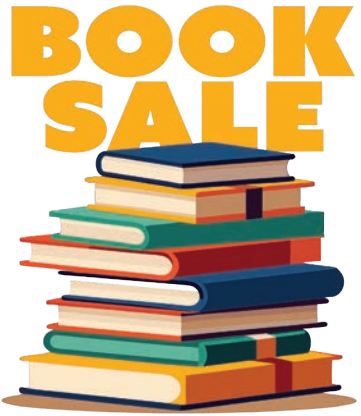
**Saturday, January 23, 11:30 AM**

Test your Regency knowledge and puzzle solving skills at the Bridgerton Banquet. You can form a team of up to four people to compete in Bridgerton themed trivia from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm for the chance to be crowned the Diamond of the Season. Afterward, you can go head to head against other teams in a jigsaw puzzle race from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Tea and snacks will be available to enjoy throughout the entire event. You are welcome to attend just the trivia session, the puzzle race, or stay for the whole day. **Registration required.**

## Trivia Night

**Wednesday, January 27, 6:30PM**

Enjoy pub trivia without the pub! Pit your team of friends against other library patrons to see who knows the most about movies. The winning team walks away with a prize and ultimate bragging rights! **Registration Encouraged.**




## Friends Book Sale

**Thursday, February 11, 2 pm - 7pm**
**Friday, February 12, 10 am - 5:30 pm**
**Saturday, February 13, 10 am - 2 pm**

Stock up on great reads and media while supporting your community at the Friends of MRL Book Sale. Browsers can explore thousands of gently used books, DVDs, CDs, and more, with fresh inventory added throughout the day. Every purchase directly helps the Friends of Morrisson-Reeves Library fund library programming.

## Grab-N-Go Kit

**Chalk Lightbulb**
**Available December 15**

**Clothespin Dragon**
**Available January 15**

**Paper Taco**
**Available February 15**

## SCAVENGER HUNT

**December**
**Build a Snowperson**
**Scavenger Hunt**

**January**
**Dragon**
**Scavenger Hunt**

**February**
**Tasty Treats**
**Scavenger Hunt**

## BOOK CLUB

### Banned Book Club

**Second Mondays, 6PM**
**December 14**
**January 11**
**February 8**

The Banned Book Club is a monthly discussion group that explores a mixture of classic and contemporary literature that has been challenged or banned at various points in American history. Call the library to register and reserve your copy of the book. Books are provided by the library.

### Novel Conversation

**Wednesday January 20 11AM**
**Wednesday February 17 11AM**

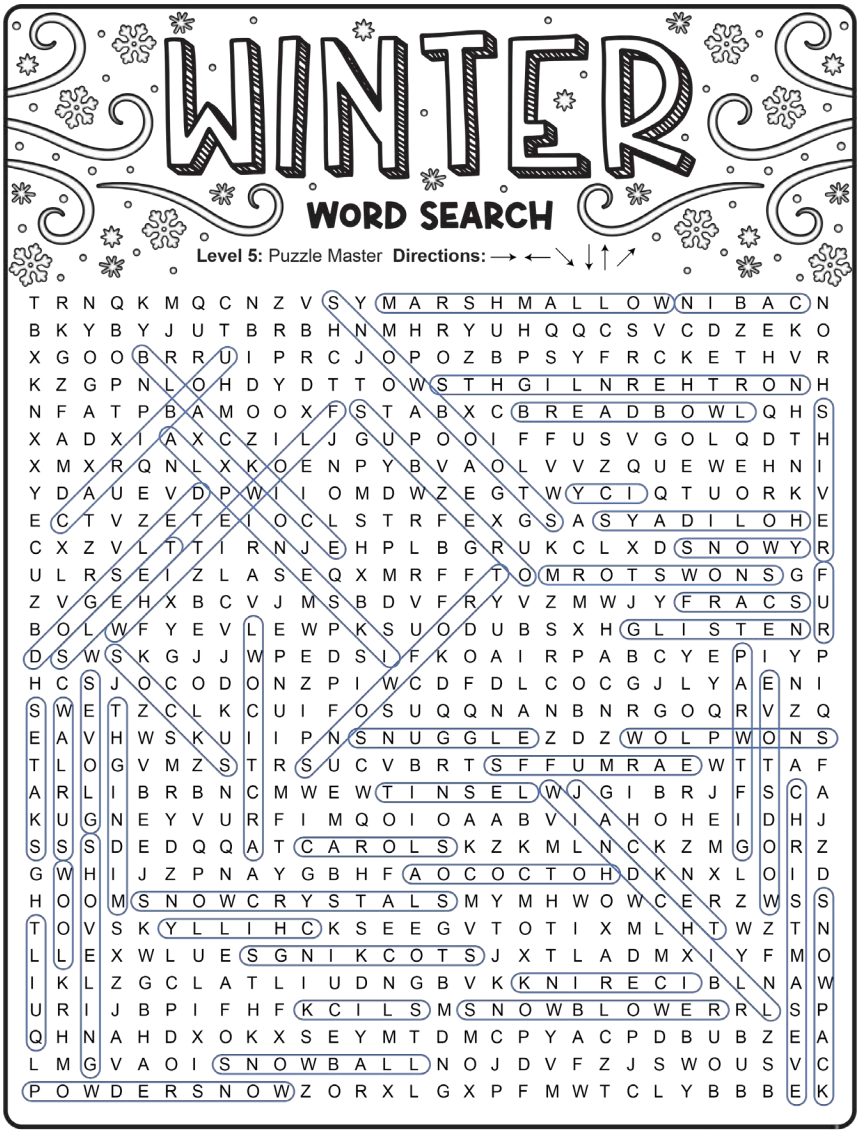
Join the conversation! Each month we explore a different book. We provide the books, you provide the insights. Pick up your copy at MRL and prepare for an engaging discussion with fellow readers. It's a fantastic opportunity to broaden your literary horizons and connect with your community.




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