

OCTOBER
2023

KIDS & TEENS

THE LIBRARY WILL BE
CLOSED
FOR STAFF TRAINING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 9TH



TEEN MONSTER BASH

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30
6:00-7:30PM



TRICK
or
treat
AT THE LIBRARY!



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31
9:00AM-6:00PM

TUESDAY
OCTOBER

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5:30-
6:30PM
OR
6:45-
7:45PM

LIBRARY ESCAPE!

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(6th-12th GRADE)



TUESDAY
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5:30-
7:00PM

MEET THE AUTHOR: JAMIE SUMNER!

Come meet Mark Twain Award 2023/2024 Nominee Jamie Sumner, author of a number of middle grade books including *Roll With It* and *One Kid's Trash*. Hear Jamie speak, ask her your questions, and even purchase a book to get signed!

MONDAY
OCTOBER

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4:00-
5:30PM

KIDS AFTER SCHOOL: PET ROCKS

For Grades 1-5. No reservations needed. Drop in and decorate your own pet rock friend to take home. Rocks, paints, markers, and other decorative items will be supplied.

LEGO BLOCK PARTY

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2 | 6:00-7:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Free-building LEGO fun at the library with standard bricks, mini-figures, and specialty pieces. Ages 5-12. No reservations needed.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

TUESDAYS | 10:30-11:00 a.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Ages 3-5. No reservations needed. Stories and music for preschoolers.

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FAMILY STORY TIME

WEDNESDAYS | 10:30-11:30 a.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
All ages. Stories, music, crafts, and activities.

TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4 | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | 2nd Floor Children's Area

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 | 3:00-4:00 p.m. | 2nd Floor Children's Area

Bring your favorite book to read to a trained therapy dog (TDI-Therapy Dogs International). Raina will be in the Children's department from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. on October 4th, and 3:00-4:00 p.m. on October 18th. She can't wait to hear your story!

RHYME TIME

FRIDAYS, OCTOBER 6 & 20 | 9:30-10:00 a.m., 10:15-10:45 a.m., & 11:00-11:30 a.m.

A special time for babies and their caregivers featuring music, movement and socialization. For children 2 and under, and their caregivers. No reservations needed. Choose from three sessions.



POKÉMON CARD PLAYING DAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 | 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

No reservations needed. Bring your Pokémon cards to the library and challenge someone to a friendly duel. This is not a tournament. All skill levels are welcome. For those new to the game, someone will be available to demonstrate how to play.

KIDSIGHT FREE VISION SCREENING FOR CHILDREN

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11 | 10:00-11:00 a.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Representatives from KidSight will be here to offer quick, free vision screening for children six and under.

EVENING FAMILY STORY TIME

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11 | 6:00-6:30 p.m. | Truman Room
No reservations needed. Stories and songs for families.

SENSORY PLAY DAY

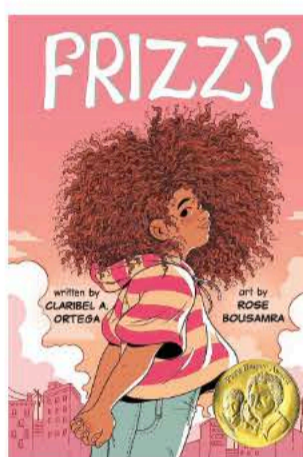
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13 | 10:15-11:00 a.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Drop in and enjoy an open learning and play time featuring a variety of sensory and activity stations. For ages 3 and under.

FAMILY BOOK BINGO

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 | 6:00-7:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
All ages. No reservations needed. An hour of Bingo fun for the family. Winning cards earn book prizes for ages 12 and under.

KIDS STEAM NIGHT: BUBBLE CUPS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 | 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Truman Room
For ages 7-12. Transform a simple plastic cup into a bubble machine able to produce tall towers of bubbles! A variety of bubble challenges will be available to put your creation to the test.



BOOKWORMS: FRIZZY

BY CLARIBEL A. ORTEGA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

5:30-6:00 p.m. | Truman Room
Bookworms is our book discussion group for 3rd-5th grade students. The first 8 participants receive a free copy of the book before the discussion. Please check with the Children's Desk in the Main Library to receive your copy of the book prior to the meeting.

Registration is required. This month we are reading *Frizzy* by Claribel A. Ortega.

KIDS AFTER-SCHOOL: PET ROCKS

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For Grades 1-5. No reservations needed. Drop in and decorate your own pet rock friend to take home. Rocks, paints, markers, and other decorative items will be supplied.

BOOKMOBILE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25 | 12:00-1:30 p.m. | Capital Mall
The Missouri River Regional Library Bookmobile makes school & community stops throughout Cole and Osage counties. We offer a full range of children's & adult titles, including fiction & non-fiction, paperbacks, CDs, & DVDs. In addition, any title from our regular collection can be requested through the bookmobile & picked up at the appropriate stop. We will be located at the lot between JCPenney and Hy-Vee.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: TRANSYLVANIA: TRANSFORMANIA

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 | 6:00-8:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
All ages. No reservations needed. Family event. Blankets and pillows welcome! Light snacks will be provided.

NOTE: This is an after-hours event. The library doors will be closed at 6:15 pm.

TRICK OR TREAT AT THE LIBRARY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 | 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Come in costume and trick or treat at the circulation desks at the main library!

HALLOWEEN STORY TIME

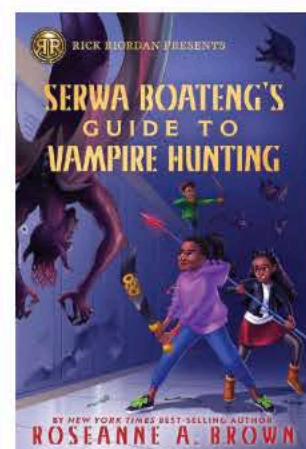
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 | 10:30-11:00 a.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Come in costume for a special Halloween-themed storytime. Afterward, we will have a costume parade past the library's circulation desks to collect some trick-or-treat candy!

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PIZZA & PAGES:
GIDEON GREEN IN BLACK & WHITE
BY KATIE HENRY
MONDAY, OCTOBER 2 | 6:45-7:45 p.m. | Truman Room
Pizza & Pages is our 9th-12th Grade book group. A free copy of the book is provided for the first 8 participants. Pizza and soda are served at every meeting. Reservations required.

The book we'll be reading for October is *Gideon Green in Black & White* by Katie Henry.



NOVEL IDEAS:
SERWA BOATENG'S GUIDE TO VAMPIRE HUNTING
BY ROSEANNE A. BROWN
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10 | 6:45-7:45 p.m. | Truman Room
Novel Ideas is our 6th-8th Grade book group. A free copy of the book is provided for the first 8 participants. Light refreshments are served at every meeting.

The book we'll be reading for October is *Serwa Boateng's Guide to Vampire Hunting* by Roseanne A. Brown.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS | AGES 12+
THURSDAYS, OCTOBER 12 & 26 | 6:00-9:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery & Truman Room

Are you an adventurer at heart? Play Dungeons & Dragons with us! The excitement is real and the escapades are never-ending! You might stomp your way through an army of orcs, or go on a noble quest to rescue a whole town. You decide!

Whether you are a long-time adventurer or brand new to the game, you are welcome to join us.

TEEN AFTER HOURS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 | 6:00-8:30 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Party in the Library! Free pizza, soda, and gaming after the library closes. Doors will be locked after 6pm, so please arrive on time if you wish to attend.

Reservations required.

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TEEN ANIME CLUB

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19 | 4:30-6:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Watch popular anime series on the big screen and nom on free popcorn and soda.



CHESS CLUB

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23 | 6:00-7:30 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Come to play, teach, or learn more about chess. All ages welcome!

AMONG US

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24 | 7:00-8:00 p.m. | Virtual Program
Join us for an evening of Among Us! Register today and we'll email you a link to our Among Us Discord channel on the day of the event. If you've never played before, Among Us can be downloaded for free on mobile devices or purchased for PC online.



MINECRAFT @ MRRL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26 | 4:00-5:30 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Minecraft is more fun with friends! Join us on the 4th Thursday of the month to play Minecraft on one of our consoles. We even have some Minecraft crafts!

TEEN MONSTER BASH

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30 | 6:00-7:30 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
It's our last day for the spooky season before the big day, so let's have a hauntingly good time! Show off your costume, come hang out to play some ghastly games and have some ghoulish refreshments. Let's raise our spirits before the season is over with!

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Lego Block Party
6:00-7:00PM
Pizza and Pages
6:45-7:45PM

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Preschool Storytime
10:30-11:00AM
Meet the Author:
Jamie Sumner!
5:30-7:00PM
Knitting and Crocheting @ MRRL
6:00-7:45PM

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Family Story Time
10:30-11:30AM
Tail Waggin' Tutors
11:00AM-12:00PM
Yoga
5:30-6:30PM
Shelf Indulgence
6:00-7:30PM

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Yoga
9:30-10:30AM
Ukulele Jam Session
1:15-2:45PM

5

Rhyme Time
9:30-10:00AM,
10:15-10:45AM, &
11:00-11:30AM
First Friday Film
7:00-9:00PM

6

Pokemon Card Playing Day
11:00AM-12:30PM
Foundation Fall Fundraiser
5:30-10:00PM

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Month Long Programs:

Teen Tiny Art Show
On Display 10/2-11/30

Bob Colvin Photography Exhibit
On Display 10/2-12/31

CLOSED
Staff Day

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How to Delete Yourself from the Internet
10:00-11:30AM
Preschool Storytime
10:30-11:00AM
Novel Ideas
6:45-7:45PM
Proposition Library Drop-In
Post Election Listening Sessions
6:00-8:00PM

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Kidsight Free Vision Screening for Children
10:00-11:00AM
Family Story Time
10:30-11:30AM
Yoga
5:30-6:30PM
Evening Family Story Time
6:00-6:30PM

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Yoga
9:30-10:30AM
Afternoon Creative Club
1:30-4:00PM
Dungeons & Dragons
6:00-9:00PM

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Sensory Play Day
10:15-11:00AM

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Teen After Hours
6:00-8:30PM

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Family Book Bingo
6:00-7:00PM
Loosely Bound Book Club
6:00-7:30PM

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Preschool Storytime
10:30-11:00AM
Library Escape!
5:30-6:30PM &
6:45-7:45PM
How to Market for the Holidays
6:00-7:30PM

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Family Story Time
10:30-11:30AM
Proposition Library Drop-In
Post Election Listening Sessions
2:00-4:00PM
Tail Waggin' Tutors
3:00-4:00PM
Yoga
5:30-6:30PM

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Yoga
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Teen Anime Club
4:30-6:00PM
Bookworms
5:30-6:00PM
Ukulele Jam Session
6:15-7:45PM
Music at the Library!
6:30-7:30PM

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Rhyme Time
9:30-10:00AM,
10:15-10:45AM, &
11:00-11:30AM

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Kids After School: Pet Rocks
4:00-5:30PM
Chess Club
6:00-7:30PM
LU-MRRL Lecture Series
6:30-8:00PM

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Preschool Storytime
10:30-11:00AM
Adult Craft
1:00-2:45PM
Genealogy
5:45-7:45PM
Adult Craft
6:00-8:00PM
Among Us
7:00-8:00PM

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Family Story Time
10:30-11:30AM
Yoga
5:30-6:30PM

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Yoga
9:30-10:30AM
Minecraft @ MRRL
4:00-5:30PM
Dungeons & Dragons
6:00-9:00PM

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Family Movie Night
6:00-8:00PM

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Proposition Library Drop-In
Post Election Listening Sessions
9:00-11:00AM
Teen Monster Bash
6:00-7:30PM
Using Free Video Editing Software
6:00-7:30PM

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Happy Halloween!
Trick or Treat at the Library
9:00AM-6:00PM
Halloween Storytime
10:30-11:00AM

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