



May 10-12, Literary Grounds **During Library Open Hours**

Stop by Literary Grounds for great deals on travel books! Select books are half price on Sunday. Presented by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation. Proceeds from the Book Sale are used to enhance Library programs and services.

Author Event: Matt Kuhns Tuesday, May 7 7pm, Auditorium

Matt Kuhns will talk about his book, Hancher vs. Hilton, which explores a series of fiery battles between ISU and U of I away from



the playing fields, for far bigger prizes than any trophy. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and KHOI Community Radio.

Freckleface Strawberry



Sunday, May 5, at 1:30pm, Library Auditorium

All ages are invited to a free performance of *Freckleface* Strawberry: The Musical. Based on the bestselling book,

Freckleface Strawberry tells the story of a young girl who must learn to love her freckles and herself. With the help of her lovable schoolmates, Freckleface learns that everyone is different—and that's what makes everyone special. The piece promotes diversity, empathy, and acceptance for all.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Central Iowa Touring Ensemble.

LETTER TO MY BODY

Letter to My Body is a state-wide project of Monsoon Iowa (Asians & Pacific Islanders in Solidarity), an organization assisting victims of domestic abuse, sexual assault and human trafficking in Asian Pacific Islander communities in Iowa.

Exhibit

May 5-May 11 in the Library's Lobby

View letters from members of the Iowa community describing their relationships with their bodies. Explore how culture, gender norms, and what we are taught impact sexism, sexual harassment, and other forms of violence.

Letter Writing Workshop

Wednesday, May 8, at 7pm, Rotary Room

Monsoon Iowa's staff will introduce the organization and this personal, empowering project. Each person will then have an opportunity to write a letter to their own body to more fully experience the power of sharing our stories. Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Monsoon Iowa (Asia & Pacific Islanders in Solidarity).



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For more locations, see the Bookmobile Schedule inside this newsletter!

Ames Public Library Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9am - 9pm Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

Reel Connections on the Environment Paris to Pittsburgh

Monday, May 20 6:30pm, Auditorium



This National Geographic documentary brings to life the impassioned efforts of individuals who

are battling the most severe threats of climate change in their own backyards. Watch for more films this summer:

June 17: Beyond Crisis

July 15: The Reluctant Radical

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Climate Action Team. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Asia in Film China's 3 Dreams: The Missing History of China Thursday, May 23

6:30pm, Rotary Room

Come to a free showing of the award-winning film *China's 3 Dreams: The Missing History of China* (2014).

Filmed over an 11-year period, Nick Torrens' third essay film about China in the modern world is an exploration of the missing years—the years of the



Cultural Revolution. This period is rarely talked about and is expurgated from the history taught in schools, and yet those years have left a traumatic imprint on every Chinese family. *Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Asiatic Philharmonia Society, and the Durbin-Zheng Family. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.*

028: Real Reads

2nd Thursday of Each Month 7pm, Board Room

028 focuses on recently published, popular nonfiction on a variety of topics.

May 9

Notes on a Foreign Country:

An American Abroad in a Post-American World by Suzy Hansen

June 13

This Blessed Earth:

A Year in the Life of an American Family Farm by Ted Genoways

July 11

Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-first Century by Jessica Bruder

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Books @ Noon

4th Wednesday of Each Month 12pm, The Studio

Share what you've read recently—fiction or nonfiction—and hear about what everyone else is reading. Be prepared to give a brief description and your opinion about one or two books you've listened to or read.

Book Discussions

Movies

Great Books 1

Sunday, May 26 (Note change in date.) 2-4pm, Board Room

Call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to register or learn more. *Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.*

Great Books 2 1st Sunday of Each Month 2-4pm, Board Room

Looking for a new book group where you can discuss classic short stories and essays? You might like our newest group, which focuses on short works recommended by the Great Books Foundation.

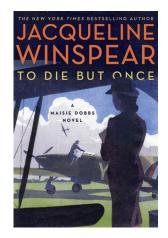
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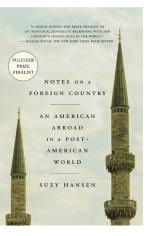
Mystery Lovers Book Club 1^{st} Wednesday

of Each Month 12pm, Rotary Room

Mystery readers, come talk about books by a selected author.

May 1: Jacqueline Winspear June 5: Rhys Bowen July 3: David Baldacci





Lecture Series

Your Historians The Farm Crisis in Three Documents Monday, May 6

7pm, Auditorium



Hear free, fascinating lectures by faculty of ISU's Department of History. Stay for a Q&A session and refreshments after the presentation.

This month,

Pamela Riney-Kehrberg will present "The Farm Crisis in Three Documents."

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Iowa State University, Iowa State University Department of History, and Iowa State University Library.

Living with Art Best Intentions: Care of Collections

Thursday, May 14 7pm, Auditorium

Allison Sheridan and Jerome Thompson will present "Best Intentions: Care of Collections." There will be time for questions following the lecture. Watch for more topics this spring and summer.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Historical Society, Iowa State University Library, and University Museums.

Genealogy Plus Ask the Experts

Wednesday, May 15 10am-12pm, Auditorium

Bring your questions about genealogical research, documentation, writing your family story, how-to-do this or that, where to find a resource, and more.

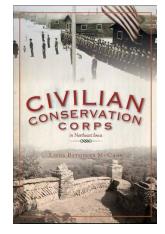
Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Story County Genealogical Society.

Ames Historical Society Lecture Series The Civilian Conservation Corps in Iowa

Wednesday, May 15 7pm, Auditorium

Linda McCann, author and historical researcher, will talk about the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) in Iowa.

The CCC was a federal program that assisted young men in supporting their families during the Depression years (1933 to 1942). Most Iowans know about the State Park work done in Iowa, but there was so much



more, including projects in Ames. Linda has spoken with 21 men who were in the CCC and shared their experiences and memories.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Ames Historical Society. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Big Bluestem Audubon Society Presentation Iowa's Nesting Owls and Barn Owl Restoration Program

Thursday, May 16 7pm, Auditorium

Bruce Ehresman will present this program, which will briefly cover the current status of Iowa's seven nesting owl species, life history information of the Barn Owl, the different phases of Barn Owl Restoration that have occurred during the last few decades, how this program was implemented,



and what you can do to help this species recover and be removed from Iowa's Endangered Species list. A live Eastern Screech Owl will be used as part of this presentation. *Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Big Bluestem Audubon Society.*



Ames Historical Society BONUS LECTURE History of American Popular Music

Thursday, May 23 7pm, Auditorium

Michael Lasser—lecturer, writer, broadcaster, critic, teacher and host of the nationally syndicated public radio show, *Fascinatin' Rhythm*, will present American popular music as social history between 1920 and 1950 and discuss the role songs about the Midwest played in popular music and social attitudes of the time. The presentation will include the works of such songwriters as the Gershwins, Cole Porter, and Irving Berlin.

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Technology Help

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Apple Users Group

Every Friday 10am-12pm, The Studio

The purpose of the group is to support and improve participants' use of Apple technology—iPhone, iPad, and Mac specifically. Participants can bring questions or issues they have with using Apple devices.

Computer Basics

Tuesdays in May 10am-12pm, PEO Room

Drop into any or all of our computer classes! Computers are provided for these classes.

You can guarantee your spot in a specific class by preregistering at the Library's Adult Services Desk or by calling (515) 239-5646 extension 4.

May 7: Microsoft Word May 14: Microsoft PowerPoint

May 21: Microsoft Excel

May 28: Free Office Software

Computer & Research Help Genealogy Group

4th Wednesday of Each Month 10am-12pm, Auditorium

Stop into a monthly meetup to get help with your genealogy research, genealogy software and writing your family story. *Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Story County Genealogical Society*

PC Help Sessions

Wednesday, May 1, 12-1:30pm, PEO Room Friday, May 3:, 10:30am-12pm, Board Room

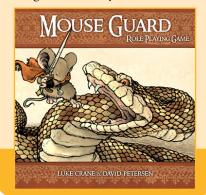
Learn and share tips and ideas for using personal computers (PCs) with Microsoft Windows. Participants can bring questions or issues they have with using a Windows PC.

NEW MEETUP Tabletop RPG

4th Saturday of Each Month 2-5pm, Auditorium

All ages are invited to join a Mouse Guard Role Playing Game.

In this game, players are part of an elite squad of patrol mice who protect and assist their fellow mice. Players will actively help to create a unique story involving their characters. Cooperation, problem solving, imagination, and a sense of exploration are encouraged! A Game Master will be available to help new players and guide the story.



Conversations in...

Chinese: 3rd Wednesday of Each Month at 6pm, The Studio

English: Mondays (Except May 27) at 11:30am, Auditorium

French: Saturdays at 4pm, The Studio

Russian: Saturdays at 3pm, The Studio

Spanish: Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm, The Studio

Gather for casual conversations in different languages.

Chat in your native language or get comfortable talking in another.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the ASL Club at ISU.

Art Club

3rd Tuesday of Each Month 1-3pm, Board Room

Discuss art, artists, and creativity. This is a great opportunity to share your work and get some suggestions and gentle critiques. Feel free to bring an art project to work on (using non-messy materials).



Writing Groups

Inkspots

3rd Wednesday of Each Month 1:30-3pm, The Studio

This writers' group meets monthly to discuss and gently critique members' writing. For more information, please visit the Library's Adult Services Desk or call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4.

Write in the Heart of Iowa 1st and 3rd Saturday of Each Month, 10am-12pm, The Studio



Write in the Heart of Iowa is a community critique group dedicated to

helping writers reach their goals. This drop-in writing group is open to writers of all genres. Bring up to 5 pages (doublespaced) of your manuscript, bring a pen, and be ready to critique.

Just for Teens

Drop-In Crafts for Teens Monday-Friday in the Teen Space During Teen Space Open Hours

Stop by and craft something you can take with you. *Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.*

Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

1st and 3rd Saturday of Each Month 11am-12:30pm, Board Room

Help plan exciting library events for teens, share what you're reading, and make new friends. There's free pizza, too! *Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.*

Teen Writers' Workshop

2nd Sunday of Each Month 2-4pm, Board Room

6th-12th graders, join author David Zimmerman for writing exercises designed to finesse your creative writing skills.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University's Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing and Environment.

Meetups for All Ages

Crochet & Knitting Group 2nd & 4th Saturdays of Each Month 10am-12pm, PEO Room

All ages are invited to hang out and knit or crochet. Bring your own materials.

Play Games Ames 4th Saturday of Each Month 2-5pm, Auditorium

Play Games Ames is a fun and social environment to interact through friendly competition. All ages are welcome to play, chat, or watch. Experienced board gamers will be on hand to teach you how to play a variety of games.



Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Play Games Ames.

Parents & Parents-To-Be

Best Start Breastfeeding & Next Step Pumping Class

3rd Monday of Each Month, PEO Room Breastfeeding: 6-7:30pm Pumping: 7:35-8:35pm

Join us for a free two-part prenatal class on breastfeeding and pumping. Come to one or both parts. Support persons are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to AmesBreastfeedingHelp@yahoo.com.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA), and Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).

Mama Milk Meetup

3rd Thursday of Each Month 6:30pm, The Studio

All nursing moms and moms-to-be are invited to a breastfeeding café. Children are welcome!

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA), and Ames Loving Support.



The Mothering Circle 1st and 3rd Thursday of Each Month 9:30am, Teen Space

All mothers are invited to come together to connect, explore issues, deepen intuition, and share their parenting journeys. We will address the needs and concerns of each mother so she can find compassionate support and inspiration.

New Library Director Begins May 31

Ames Public Library's new director, Sheila Schofer, will begin her tenure at the end of May.

Schofer has worked for the Brooklyn, N.Y., library system for more than 20 years. She has a master's degree in Library and Information Science from Kent State University in Kent, Ohio, and a bachelor's degree in English and History from St. Ambrose University in Davenport.

Welcome to Ames, Sheila!





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The Bookmobile

Check out Library materials for all ages at any of the Bookmobile's weekly stops.

MONDAY

Sawyer School, 5-8pm (4316 Ontario)

TUESDAY

St. Cecilia School, 3-4pm (Hoover Avenue & 30th Street)

WEDNESDAY

Edwards School, 1:45-2:45pm (820 Miller Avenue) Ames Middle School, 3-4pm (3915 Mortensen Road) Fareway on Stange, 5-8pm (Stange & Bloomington)

THURSDAY

ISU Campus, 11am-1pm (Near ISU Library) Mitchell School, 3-4pm (3521 Jewel Drive) Ames Christian School, 4:30-6pm (925 South 16th Street)

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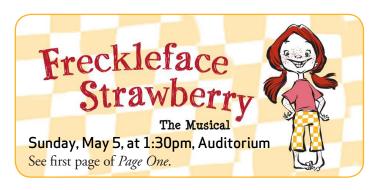


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Events for Families



Drawing with Betsy

1st Wednesday of Each Month 4pm, Youth Makerspace

Learn how to create your own pencil drawings! This workshop is perfect for beginners in upper elementary through middle school.



5th Chinese-American Youth Artist Gallery

www.amespubliclibrary.org

Saturday, May 18 10am-12pm, Auditorium

Chinese painting is one of the oldest continuous artistic traditions in the world. Painting in the traditional style is known today in Chinese as guóhuà, meaning "national" or "native painting." Come and enjoy artwork by local Chinese-American youth in the traditional style. There will be a door prize, too!

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Chinese Language Academy.

Getting Into FIRST LEGO League

Sunday, May 19 2pm, Storytime Room

Is your K-8th grade child interested in joining LEGO League or LEGO League Junior? Come to a hands-on informational meeting about LEGO League



and joining a team. Scholarships and partnerships are available. *Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and FIRST.*

3...2...1...Blast off into **A SINERSE SF STORIES SUMMER READING PROGRAM** starting June 1.

SUMMER KICK-OFF EVENT Astronomy is for Everyone

Sunday, June 9 2pm, Auditorium

We'll soar into summer with a free event featuring astronomer Kevin Manning. Learn about the size and scale of the universe, the stars, and other celestial wonders.





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Tail Waggin' Tales

1st Tuesday of Each Month 10:30am, Storytime Room

Get ready to clap your hands and wag your tail! Tail Waggin' Tales is a highly interactive storytime for children ages 0-5 with their grown-ups. This program uses simple activities and early education topics to introduce children

to the basics of responsible pet care, dog body language, and companion animal welfare. Kids also meet and pet therapy dog Marmalade.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Plucky Paws.



World Language Storytimes

Spanish Storytime 2nd Saturday of Each Month 11:15am, Storytime Room

Native Spanish speakers will share stories and activities in Spanish.



Tween Roleplaying Club 2nd Saturday

of Each Month 2-4pm, Danfoss Room

2nd-6th graders are invited to play a tween-friendly version of *Dungeons and Dragons* at the Library.

Science Technology Engineering Math for Homeschoolers 1st Thursday of Each Month

10am, Auditorium

Ames Public Library's monthly events for Homeschoolers focus on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). Activities are geared toward K-5 students but all ages are welcome to join us.

The theme for Thursday, May 2 will be **"Fun & Games."** Get creative with Tangrams and build your own Kalah game. *Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and ISU Extension & Outreach.*

Storytimes & More

No storytimes May 13-31. Watch for our summer schedule!

Baby Time

Tuesdays at 1:30pm Wednesdays at 11:05am Thursdays at 6pm Storytime Room



Bring your prewalker for books, songs, baby sign language, and more. Join with other caregivers and their pre-walkers and older siblings for 20 minutes of conversation and play.

Toddler Time

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays 10am, Storytime Room Tuesdays at 1pm, Storytime Room

Join us for 20-25 minutes of music, books, and early literacy activities perfect for toddlers and their families.

Family Storytime

Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays 10:30am, Storytime Room

Children of all ages are invited to this interactive program to build listening, language, and literacy skills. Families are welcome to stop into Maker Morning right after Family Storytime for a fun craft activity!

Maker Morning

Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays 11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace

Drop in to this process-focused craft activity for toddlers, preschooler, and their caregivers. We supply the materials. *Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.*

Milk & Book-ies

Thursdays 6:30pm, Storytime Room

Stop in for 30+ minutes of fun stories and songs along with milk and cookies.

Saturday Family Fun

Saturdays at 10:30am, Storytime Room

Join us for special events to boost different early literacy skills and have fun!

May 4: Play with Me May 11: Sing & Dance with Me

Library May 2019 Events

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