

Press Release: February 2024 Yorkville Public Library Youth Services Department

The Yorkville Public Library is open Monday – Thursday 9:00am- 7:00pm, Friday 9:00am- 5:00pm, and Saturday 9:00am- 4:00pm. Curbside service is available for those not wishing to enter the library.

Community Art Project

Calling all community members – We need your help!

We are holding four creative sessions by age group (adults, kids, teens, all) to allow each participant to decorate one piece of a collage that will be assembled by local artists to create one (big!) piece of community art.

Who & When:

Adults February 7th 11am – 12pm

Kids February 21st 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Teens March 6th 4pm – 5pm

All Ages March 20th 4pm – 5pm

Doing What?

Each group will be given pieces of the collage and the medium for that group. They will also receive instructions on how to proceed but **you do not need to be an artist to participate!** The sessions will be focused on the color of your piece and you will not be responsible for specific design elements. If you can color, you can do this!

Once all of the pieces have been created, local artists will assemble them and the end result will hang in the library for all to admire.

Come create your piece of the project!

Escape Room Adventure

This Escape Adventure will be available in the month of February. Use the clues to unlock the boxes before the next group comes in, you only have 30 minutes.

Contact the Youth Service Department for an appointment time at 630-553-4354 ext 108 or stop in.

3D Printing (virtual)

Leah English provides a step by step tutorial on how to use Tinkercad. Tinkercad is an easy to use 3D CAD design tool, where you can create an object that we can print on our 3D printer. Check out the library's YouTube channel, follow the steps to create your own 3D printed piece. 3D Prints are \$.20/gram

Please use this email address to submit creations: YPL3DPrint@gmail.com

DROP IN STORY TIME (at YPL)

Every Friday at 10:30

Join us at YPL every Friday at 10:30 for Drop In Story Time. This story time is held in the Children's area of the library. A volunteer from The Friends of the Library is our special reader.

Winter Reading Challenge

January 3 – February 29

Stop by the Youth Service desk to pick up your Winter Reading Challenge sheet. Complete each challenge and mark it off. Return your sheet before March 5 to be entered into a drawing.

3D Printing (In-person)

Saturday, February 3 at 9:30 – 12:30

30- minute appointments are available the first Saturday of each month. Sam will provide one on one instruction for Tinkercad and how to create a 3D model. The model will be printed on the 3D Printer. Cost: \$.20 / gram.

Register for your 30 minute appointment.

You are able to submit your print at YPL3DPrint@gmail.com if it is more convenient.

Mini Golf Fundraiser

Sunday, February 4 at 10:00-4:00

This fun Yorkville tradition is a popular community event that breaks up the post-holiday doldrums with 18 holes of festive, family-friendly mini golf played INSIDE the library! Tickets are \$5 per golfer and can be purchased at the library.

Window Art

February 5-9 (you choose the day and time that is convenient)

Help us liven up the library with window art. You can come in anytime/any day (Feb. 5-9) to create your artwork. Please register for the event on the website. Space is limited.

Mommy and Me YOGA

Tuesday, February 6 & 20 at 10:30

Bond with your little one (ages 2-5) while exploring yoga, based on your favorite children's books. This class includes simple breathing work, playful yoga poses, songs, games, and story time. Participants will use their imagination while increasing strength, flexibility, and balance.

TAG- TEEN ADVISORY GROUP at the Yorkville Public Library

Tuesday, February 6 & 20 at 3:00

Teens in grades 8-12 get together to share ideas about the teen area in the library and how to provide for Yorkville. They help create and plan programs. This group also has opportunities to earn volunteer hours. Great chance to meet new people and have some fun and laughs.

Preschool Zone

Wednesday, February 7 at 10:30 OR 1:30

Join us for interactive and engaging books plus activities for you and your child. Please register for one of the times on the website. Both programs are the same.

Tots and Toddlers

Thursday, February 8 & Wednesday, February 21 at 10:30

Join us for songs, stories, and dancing. Your child will receive a take home craft to complete. Please register for this event on the YPL website under Calendar of

Events. *If you are unable to attend after registration, cancel so others can attend.

Book Club (grades 1-2)

Thursday, February 8 & 15 at 4:30-5:00

In this two-session book club, we will read an easy reader chapter book. Please register for both dates on the YPL website.

Book Club (grades 3-5)

Monday, February 12 & 26 at 4:30-5:00

In this two session book club, the participants will receive the book on the first day to read at home. Then it will be discussed at the following session. Please register for both days on the YPL website.

Literacy Centers

Tuesday, February 13 – Friday, February 16

Stop by any time Tuesday- Thursday 9:00am -6:00pm and Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm to experience a parent/child guided opportunity for hands on literacy instruction. Literacy Centers are designed to give children ample opportunity to practice the very important skills of listening, reading, writing, and speaking.

Spanish Story Time (Facebook)

Wednesday, February 14 & 28 at 10:00am on YPL Facebook Page

Join Señora Katalina on the Yorkville Public Library Facebook page for Story Time in Spanish. This is recorded for your convenience.

LEGO Kits

February 20-23 (you choose the day and time that is convenient)

Come by the library during open hours the week of Feb 20. We will provide you a themed container of various LEGOs to use in the library. Using only the bricks provided and your creativity, make your build. Your creation will be added to the LEGO display at the library.

4-H Science Explorers (ages 6-8)

Thursday, February 22 at 4:30-5:00

Explore Animal Adaptations! Adaptations are body features and behavior habits that help a living thing survive and reproduce in its natural environment. Animals have adaptations that help them catch and find food, explore, and move around. Join us to learn more about how animals adapt!

4-H Science Explorers (ages 9-12)

Thursday, February 22 at 5:00- 5:30

Explore Animal Adaptations! Adaptations are body features and behavior habits that help a living thing survive and reproduce in its natural environment. Animals have adaptations that help them catch and find food, explore, and move around. Join us to learn more about how animals adapt!

Read with Paws

Saturday, February 24 at 10:30-11:30

Children can come to the library, select a book, and read to a furry friend. All therapy dogs and handlers have been certified by an accredited organization. This program was designed originally because children feel less pressure to read to a dog than an adult so, it was meant to be a way to help struggling readers or even just encourage reading. It is open to all levels of readers and non-readers. Please register for your 15 minute time slot on the YPL website. Space is limited. If you are unable to attend, please contact the library.

Artful Beginnings (Preschool)

Tuesday, February 27 at 10:30

Check out this new program. We will read a book then create a fun craft project. Please register.

Dress for the mess.

Leap Year Fun

Thursday, February 29 at 10:30

Join us for some Leap Year Fun.

We will read, dance, and complete a craft. Leap on the registration soon! Space is limited.