

Press Release: October 2023 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.

Escape Room Adventure

This Escape Adventure will be available in the month of October. 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.

Pumpkin Decorating Contest

Design and decorate a No-Carve pumpkin as a family. Drop off your family's pumpkin starting October 18. The public will vote for their favorite pumpkin beginning October 25. The pumpkin with the most votes wins a prize. Winner will be announced October 31.

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.

Window Art

October 2-6 (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 (October 2-6) to create your artwork. Please register for the event on the website. Space is limited.

4-H Science Explorers (ages 6-8)

Monday, October 2 at 4:30-5:00

DNA Bracelets

What makes you....you? Your genes! Genes are the code in each of the cells in your body that decide your different traits: what is your hair color, your height, and other characteristics. Join us to create your own DNA bracelet by answering questions about what makes you unique. After you answer these questions, you will see that your DNA bracelet is uniquely yours!

4-H Science Explorers (ages 9-12)

Monday, October 2 at 5:00- 5:30

Genetics- Make a DNA Model from Candy

What is DNA? Have you ever seen a DNA Helix? You might already know that organisms have DNA to guide individuals traits, but how is DNA formed?

Join us to learn about genes, what nucleotides are, and how it all comes together to create a DNA Model.

****NOTE:** does include the use of candy for building

TAG- TEEN ADVISORY GROUP at the Yorkville Public Library

Tuesday, October 3 and 17 at 2:45-3:45

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, October 4 at 10:30 OR 1:30

Preschool Zone

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.

Watercolor Painting (self-portraits for LARP)

Thursday, October 5 at 5:30 – 6:00

Help us decorate for the LARP event (October 21). We are creating watercolor portraits for the Grand Staircase. All materials will be provided, you bring the creativity.

Registration is required.

*All artwork will be displayed at the LARP event.

Chalk the Walk

Friday, October 6 at 11:00

After Drop-In Storytime, we are decorating the sidewalk outside of the library. Join us for the fun! Weather permitting.

3D Printing (In-person)

Saturday, October 7 at 9:30 – 12:30

3D Printing is back!

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: \$0.20 / gram.

Register for your 30 minute appointment.

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

Books for BINGO

Monday, October 9 at 1:00 – 2:00

Join us to play BINGO! Winners will receive a gently used book of their choice. All supplies will be provided. Register your family for this event, before it is full.

Learn about the Solar Eclipse

Tuesday, October 10 at 1:00 – 2:00

Saturday, October 14, 2023 will be an Annular Solar Eclipse.

Let's learn about the Solar Eclipse together. We will try some experiments, make a craft, and receive a pair of Eclipse glasses. Please register each child individually using their name for first name and child's name.

Spanish Story Time (Facebook)

Wednesday, October 11 & 25 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.

Tots and Toddlers

Thursday, October 12 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.

LEGO Kits

October 16-20 (you choose the day and time that is convenient)

Come by the library during open hours the week of October 16. 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.

Book Club (grades 3-5)

Monday, October 16 & 30 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.

Mommy and Me YOGA

Tuesday, October 17 & 24 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.

Book Club (grades 1-2)

Thursday, October 19 & 26 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.

Read with Paws

Saturday, October 21 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.

Biz Boo

Saturday, October 21 at 10:00 – 2:00

Yorkville Area Chamber of Commerce invites you to participate in Yorkville's popular trick-or-treat event, where families visit participating businesses for treats, games, contests, and fun. Stop by the library for your special treat!

Harry Potter Live Action Role Play (LARP) - School of Wizardry

October 21 at 6:00-8:00

The library will be transformed into the magical world of Hogwarts. As a family, you will experience many activities and earn points for your house. Please register and purchase the non-refundable \$2.00 ticket /person at the YPL Circ desk. Ticket is necessary for entrance on Platform 9 3/4 at King's Cross Station.
Ages 6 and older

Literacy Centers

Tuesday, October 24 – Friday, October 27

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.

Dollars and Cents – Children’s Guide to Saving
Wednesday, October 25 at 10:00 – 11:00

Midland States Bank will host an interactive presentation on Teaching Children to Save Safely. Children will also receive a small bank to take home. Register soon, space is limited.

Halloween Tots and Toddlers
Tuesday, October 31 at 10:30

Happy Halloween!

Join our annual Halloween Fun. Children can participate in various game stations before trick or treating through the library. Wear your costume! Space is limited, please register.