

Aurora Public Library District

MARCH/APRIL 2026

414 Second Street, Aurora, IN 47001

812-926-0646

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OPEN AUDITIONS!

Auditions: March 16th | 10 am-2:15 pm
Rehearsals: March 17th-20th | 10 am-2:15 pm
Performances: March 21st | 11 am & 1:30 pm
St. John Lutheran School
1st-12th Grade Welcome!

Ever dreamed of being a performer? Join APLD and the Missoula Children's Theatre in their production of Cinderella! MCT is a full scale production, complete with costumes, scripts, and backdrops, which performers will rehearse and perform in just one week.

MISSOULA
CHILDREN'S
THEATRE

Performers must be present for the entire duration of auditions and all rehearsals.

Let's Get Growing with our SEED LIBRARY!

FREE seeds available for pick-up at the library this growing season. In addition to free seeds, check out resources about growing. You do not need a library card to receive seeds. Types of seeds available will vary. 🌻



A Note From Our Director

At long last, spring is arriving—a sense of rebirth arrives along with it. At APLD, we have many arrivals coming in the months ahead—the opening of the completed Dillsboro renovation, the caboose arrival and update at the Local History Library at the Depot, and a summer reading program called “Unearth a Story” (there will be dinosaurs). Libraries are facing budget challenges with the legislative changes in the past two sessions, but APLD is planning ahead so that we may be able to continue valuable resources and programs. One strategic move we are making, effective May 1, is to limit access to the Indiana Digital Library to resident card holders (residents of Center, Clay, Caesar Creek, Hogan, Manchester, and Washington townships in Dearborn County); IDL is available through most Indiana libraries and so most of our non-resident card holders will still be able to access Libby while saving APLD some funds. Another strategy is reviewing our patron needs with our patron survey which will allow us to focus on updated patron needs and wants. Please use your phone camera app to scan this QR code and complete the survey. A link will be on our website by March 1st and there will be paper copies available at the circulation desks. We would like the survey completed by March 31st.



-Leslie Sutherlin, Director

THEATRE WORKSHOPS with the Missoula Children's Theatre

Learn the tools of the live theatre trade with real theater professionals at the Aurora Library!

- **Drama Quest: Adventures in the Jungle!**
(Ages 6-9): March 17th @ 3 pm
- **Acting (Ages 9-14):**
March 18th @ 3 pm
- **Playwriting (Ages 12-19):**
March 19th @ 3 pm



BIRDS OF A FEATHER

FILM NIGHT

APRIL 9TH @ 6 PM | THE DEPOT

Take flight with the Library and watch educational videos about birds and the challenges they face. Learn about birds on the brink, puffins in danger, and how you can make your own house bird friendly. Plus, special guests from Oxbow, Inc. will be available to answer all your bird questions.

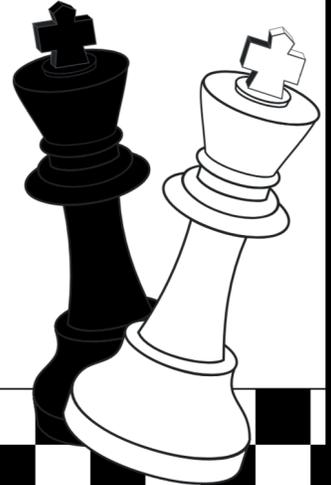


Chess for Success

April 18th @ 10:30 am | The Depot

Whether you're a beginner to the game of chess or looking to improve your skills, we have free chess lessons available. Along with learning the game itself, chess can teach you valuable life lessons such as:

- * Looking at the big picture
- * Recognizing opportunity
- * Always having a goal in mind



The Beauty of Birds



April 18th @ 11 am | Dillsboro Civic Center

Learn all about birds and their migration patterns. A presenter with Red Wolf Sanctuary will be showing off an Eastern Screech Owl. After that, you can engage with our hands-on activity stations!



FAMILY FLOCK GAME NIGHT



APRIL 21ST @ 6 PM | AURORA LIBRARY

BIRDS OF A FEATHER FLOCK TOGETHER! JOIN THE LIBRARY FOR A BIRD-THEMED FAMILY GAME NIGHT. TEST YOUR WITS AND KNOWLEDGE WITH GAMES ABOUT BIRDS. USING ALL THAT BRAIN POWER REQUIRES ENERGY, OF COURSE, SO MUNCH ON SNACKS WHILE YOU ENJOY A FAMILY NIGHT OF FUN!

PLUS SPECIAL GUESTS FROM OXBOW, INC.



DILLSBORO STORYTIME

WITH MISS TAMMY!

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS @ 10:30 AM

Sing, dance, read, and learn with Miss Tammy at the Dillsboro Library!



AURORA STORYTIME

WITH MISS EMILY!

WED. & FRI. @ 10:30 AM

Sing, dance, read, and learn with Miss Emily at the Aurora Library!



LITTLE LASSO TOT PROM

APRIL 17TH @ 10:30 AM | AURORA LIONS CLUB

Yee haw partners! Get ready to dust off your boots and grab your hats for our annual Tot Prom Storytime with Miss Emily and Miss Tammy. We encourage all cowboys and cowgirls to mosey on down for music, crafts, snacks, and a rootin tootin good time!



TWEEN (7-12)

Tabletop RPG Club

Wednesdays @ 4:30 pm
Aurora Library

Set out to help a friend find a rare treasure, rescue a town from evil goblins, or maybe even save the world in the Tween Tabletop RPG Club! Using easy to learn and use rules, delve into the world of table-top roleplaying games and explore storytelling at its finest.

No program on March 18th



CRAFTERNOON MARCH MUSIC

Tuesdays @ 4:30 | Dillsboro Library

Join the Library in March for a musical Crafternoon. Make a tambourine, a pan flute, and even a guitar. Jam out with friends using your finished instruments.

No Crafternoon on March 17th or 31st!

No Crafternoon on April 21st!

BIRD BRAIN CRAFTERNOON

Tuesdays @ 4:30
Dillsboro Library

Hang out with friends and become a total bird brain with the Library while making bird-themed crafts in April. All supplies provided.



teen time

Aurora

Mar. 5th & Apr. 2nd @ 3 pm

The first Thursday of every month is Teen Time at the Aurora Library! Drop in anytime during 3-5 pm for snacks, games, crafts, or just a place to study.

Role-Playing Games
FOR BEGINNERS

Dillsboro: Mar. 11th & Apr. 8th @ 4
Aurora: Mar. 12th & Apr. 9th @ 4

Interested in role-playing games? Stop by the library to learn the basics! No prior experience necessary.

GAMING AND GRUB!

Mar. 19th & Apr. 16th @ 4 pm
Aurora Library

Ages 13-19

Log in and link up with other gamers while playing at the library! Free health packs (munchies) provided.

ADVANCED DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Mar. 19th & Apr. 16th from 6-7:30 pm | Aurora Library

Are you ready to graduate from our Beginners' DnD program? Check out our Advanced Dungeons & Dragons program! Please bring an idea for your core character concept.

Ages 14-19 welcome! Age limit will be strictly enforced.

TEEN CRAFT COLLECTIVE

March 26th & April 23rd @ 4 pm | Aurora Library

Get creative at our Teen Craft Collective! Each month we'll dive into a brand-new, hands-on project. Bring your imagination, try something new, and hang out with fellow crafters!

March
Clay Keychains
April
Rubber Duck Cosplay

All supplies will be provided!

GET WALKIN'

WEDNESDAYS @ 9 AM | AURORA LIBRARY

Start your mornings off with an energizing and refreshing walk around Aurora! Library staff will meet up with you outside the Aurora Public Library each Wednesday!

18+ welcome!



HUE & BREW

MARCH 9TH @ 4 PM
DILLSBORO LIBRARY

WARM YOUR SOUL BY SIPPING HERBAL TEA DURING A RELAXING SESSION OF COLORING AND SOCIALIZING.



Shhh... We're Reading

Mar. 12th & Apr. 16th @ 5 pm | The Depot

Do you have trouble finding time to read? Does having another person nearby motivate you to get things done? If so, join us for an hour of reading and snacking on quiet foods followed by half an hour of social time chatting about books.

This program takes place directly before Not Your Mother's Book Club so you can choose to attend either or both of these clubs.

NOT YOUR MOTHER'S BOOK CLUB

Mar. 12th & Apr. 16th
The Depot @ 6:30 pm

If you like edgy stories and a variety of genres, join us for our next discussion! Pick up your book at the Aurora or Dillsboro library.



Be a Hoxworth Hero

March 13th @ the Depot

Sign up to donate blood on the Hoxworth Donor Bus at the Local History Library @ the Depot.

The Depot will be open to use for beverages, snacks, and bathroom breaks.

18+ Welcome
Registration
Required



Launching Your Own Business

March 17th, April 14th, & May 12th @ 6 pm
The Depot

Join us for a 3-part series on how to launch your own business with our presenter Ginnie Faller from the Small Business Administration. Learn how to write a small business plan and about financial projections, sales tax, income tax and mentorship and advice. Participants who attend all 3 sessions will earn a free table at an upcoming community event.

Food and childcare will be provided.

Registration Required



Tips for Grant Success

Presented by Banschbach Consulting Services

March 10th from 1-3 pm | The Depot

Successful grant funding requires more than strong writing—it demands a strategic, full-circle approach. Designed for nonprofits, municipalities, and community-led activists, this session equips attendees with tools to navigate funding resources and support community enhancement initiatives.



Registration Required




MAHJONG MEETUP

MAR. 27TH & APR. 24TH @ 10 AM
DILLSBORO LIBRARY

Calling all fans of American Mahjong! Meet new friends who share your love of the game. Beginners welcome!

BETWEEN THE LINES BOOK CLUB

Aurora

April 2nd

April 23rd

1 pm

Dillsboro

April 3rd

April 24th

1 pm

Aurora

April 7th

April 28th

6 pm

Discuss today's most popular books with fellow readers! Talk to a librarian today to sign up and check out the latest BTL book.




THE BUZZ ABOUT BEES

April 23rd @ 6 pm | The Depot

Learn the basics of beekeeping from Rachel Ellenson, the Education Outreach Coordinator of the Southeastern Indiana Beekeepers Association. Keep your wings crossed for good weather! If it's warm enough to open the hives, she will bring an observation hive enclosed in glass to show off the busy bees at work.

Mental Health First Aid

MAY 8TH @ 10 AM | THE DEPOT

Thanks to a grant from SAMHSA, One Community One Family is able to offer free Mental Health First Aid training to prepare you to help someone having a mental health emergency.

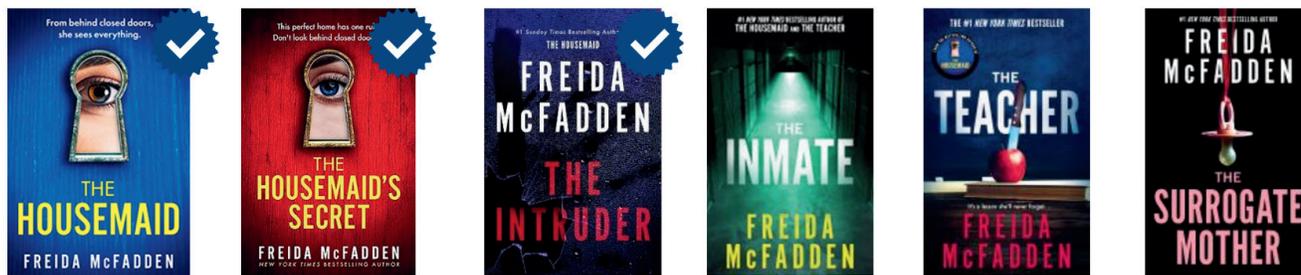
There is about 2 hours of online pre-work to do before attending the program. You will receive information on this work about two weeks prior to the program.



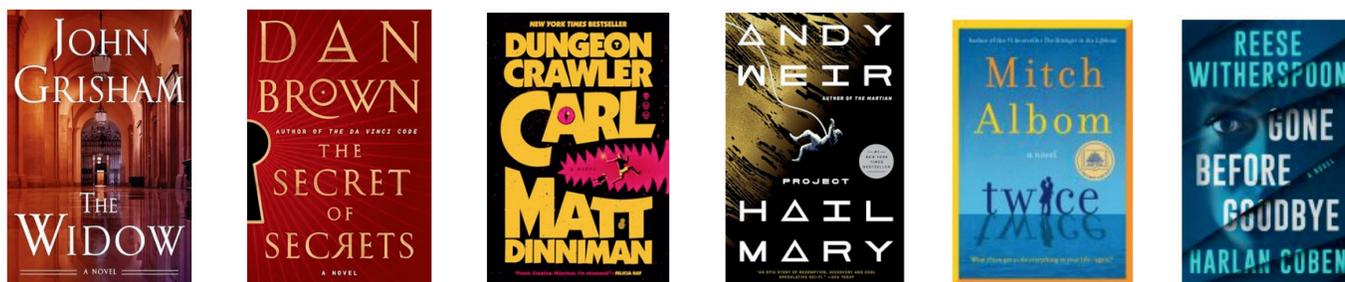
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With three titles currently on the New York Times Bestsellers list have you checked out Freida McFadden yet?



Not a fan of McFadden's fast-paced psychological thrillers known for their shocking plot twists? Maybe one of these NYT's Bestsellers will find their way onto your TBR pile.



Tips to Make Community Cats Better Neighbors

Want to become an advocate for community cats? Visit our display at the Aurora Library to learn the basics on TNVR (trap-neuter-vaccinate-release) and sheltering outdoor or feral cats. Check out a Tomahawk live trap from our Library of Things and help be a part of the solution!

Enter to win Rest-Eazzzy Cat House for outdoor cats!



Aurora Public Library

414 Second Street
Aurora, IN 47001
812-926-0646

Mon, Wed, Fri: 10-6
Tues, Thurs: 10-8
Sat: 10-3

Dillsboro Public Library

10151 Library Lane
Dillsboro, IN 47018
812-954-4151

Mon-Fri: 10-6
Sat: 10-3

Local History Library @ the Depot

510 Second Street
Aurora, IN 47001
812-926-4363

Tues, Wed, Thurs: 12-6
3rd Sat of Month: 10-3