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## meet the new dmpl.org

The Des Moines Public Library has launched a refreshed website for the first time in six years. We asked you, our users, for feedback. Hundreds of you responded, allowing us to build a website that better serves you. With a new calendar, revised menus, and bright, clean layout, you'll want to visit [dmpl.org](http://dmpl.org) time and time again. Here are a few of the many things you should know about the new site:

### Find an eBook, eAudiobook, and movie on the Stream & Download page

You can take the library with you wherever you go when you borrow an eBook, eAudiobook, or eMagazine or watch a streaming movie on Kanopy. The new Stream & Download page puts all of our eBook, eAudiobook, eMagazine, and streaming video services on one page.

### Need an answer to a question? Ask one of our librarians

It's easier than ever to contact us. Whether you want to learn more about an upcoming library program, are looking for information about a business in town, or need help researching something about local history, our librarians are here to help. Just click "Ask a Librarian" on the front page and let our research experts assist you.

### Reserve one of our meeting rooms for a special event

For the first time, you can book one of our meeting rooms online. Meeting rooms can host large groups, and our study rooms and small conference rooms are great for smaller gatherings. You can see what the rooms look like online and fill out a simple form to get the reservation process started.

### An all-new "How Do I" page

We took our most frequently asked questions and put them on one page to make finding the answers easier. If you need to know how to place a hold, pay a fine, or suggest something that you can't find for our collection, the How Do I page will let you know.

### A redesigned Recommended Reads page

With our new Recommended Reads page, it's a lot more fun to browse our librarians' book suggestions online. Hover over the book cover to see a description (hold your finger on it on your mobile device) and use the

filters and tags to dig into more age and genre-specific recommendations to create your own book lists.

### The redesigned, easy-to-use events calendar

It can be difficult to keep tabs on the dozens of great events happening at our libraries each week.

Thankfully, our new calendar is a lot easier to read and use. Color-coded tags let you identify programs for age groups, and filter settings allow you to quickly sort through programs by branch and program type. It's all at [dmpl.org/events](http://dmpl.org/events).



### A new "Technology" page

Did you know you can print something at the library from your computer at home? Learn about that and more on our Technology page. You'll find directions and prices for printing and copying, a summary of our public computer and public WiFi policies, and much more.

### Our new Rosie the Reader page

We know our reading mascot Rosie is very popular among our families, so she now has her own page on our website! Check out the Rosie page to read a question and answer session with Rosie, download Rosie coloring sheets, and find out how you and your group can meet Rosie as part of our early literacy outreach program, or ask Rosie to visit as part of an outreach request.

We'd love to hear what you think about the website. Spend some time on the site, click around to some of our new pages, and give us your thoughts. Please share your feedback by contacting us at [LIB-Marketing@dmpl.org](mailto:LIB-Marketing@dmpl.org). We look forward to hearing from you!

# Day of the Dead Festivities



Day of the Dead, or *Día de los Muertos*, is a holiday popular in Mexico and areas of the United States with large Mexican populations. The multi-day holiday brings together family and friends as they remember those close to them who have died. At the library, we'll be having several crafts and events to showcase some of these traditions associated with Day of the Dead:

## DAY OF THE DEAD LUMINARIES/ DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS LUMINARIAS

October 28-November 2, all open hours, Franklin Avenue Library

## KIDS' CRAFT DAY: DAY OF THE DEAD SUNCATCHERS

Friday, November 1, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM, South Side Library

## DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS CRAFT DAY! SCRATCH ART SKULLS/CALAVERAS DE ARTE RASPADA

Friday, November 1, 10:00 AM-5:30 PM, East Side Library

## DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS SUGAR SKULL CRAFTS

Friday, November 1, 4:30 PM, North Side Library

## DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS SKULL MASK CRAFT

Saturday, November 2, 10:00 AM-2:00 PM, Franklin Avenue Library

## CRAFTERNOON: CUT PAPER CRAFT/ PAPEL PICADO

Saturday, November 3, 1:00-5:00 PM, Central Library



## NATIVE AMERICAN MONTH BY YAQUI INDIAN RALPH MOISA JR.

Thursday, November 7, 6:00 PM, North Side Library

Celebrate Native American Heritage Month with Native American Ralph Moisa. Moisa, who is of the Yaqui Nation, will give you an idea of how Indians lived by allowing you to participate in a game of memory.



## INTERMEDIATE UKULELE CLASSES

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 6:00 PM, North Side Library

If you still find yourself strumming on your ukulele after taking one of the many beginner classes at the North Side Library, this four-week class is the perfect way to build on those skills. Instructor Natalie Stenson is back to explore some next-level techniques and methods, like common chords, new strumming patterns, and reading melodies. You may register by calling 283-4152 ext. 3, or by emailing Laura at the North Side Library at [LAWalth@dmpl.org](mailto:LAWalth@dmpl.org).



## WINTER HOLIDAY WREATHS

Tuesday, November 12, 12:00 PM, Central Library

Join our special guests from the Greater Des Moines Garden Club as they show you how to decorate an artificial holiday wreath to take home or back to the office. This is the perfect lunchtime program to spark some creativity during the work day. All supplies will be provided, but you may bring your own supplies as well. Space is limited, so please register in advance by calling 283-4152 ext. 3, or by finding this event at [dmpl.org/events](http://dmpl.org/events).



## SEASONAL PAPER WREATHS

Wednesday, November 13, 6:00 PM, East Side Library

A beautiful paper wreath is the perfect accent to all your holiday décor. Join other crafters at the East Side Library as we sip some hot cider and enjoy an evening of creating together. We'll use scissors and hot glue to form wreaths with a variety of textures and colors that mimic nature. Supplies are limited and will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

## THE ACLU PRESENTS: IMMIGRANT RIGHTS

**Wednesday, November 13, 6:30 PM**, South Side Library | There are 41 million immigrants in the United States. The ACLU takes an active stance in protecting their rights, including protections of due process and equal protection. Members of the ACLU will present an informative session to discuss the most important things immigrants should know regarding their rights and liberties in today's world.

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## FALLING INTO WATERCOLORS

**Thursday, November 14, 4:00 PM**, North Side Library | Join us to learn the basics of watercolor painting during this fun afternoon class. Central Iowa artist Lisa Christensen will lead the instruction, and participants will decorate stamped cards with some fun designs. No registration required.

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## HYGGE: DANISH SECRETS TO HAPPY LIVING

**Tuesday, November 19, 6:30 PM**, Franklin Avenue Library | The Danish word "Hygge" has no easy translation into English. It combines hospitality, coziness, contentment, mindfulness, and connection. Some claim that hygge is one of the reasons Denmark has often been ranked the "Happiest Country in the World." But do you have to be Danish to "hygge"? Are you achieving "hygge" if you light a candle and wear fuzzy slippers? Come for a cozy evening (bring your own slippers) and see what tips from the Danes might be applicable in our own daily lives.

Presenter Tova Brandt is currently the Albert Ravenholt Curator of Danish-American Culture at the Museum of Danish America where she is responsible for exhibition programs and presentations. She also served as curator for Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum in Decorah.

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## BOOKMARK LETTER PRESS WORKSHOP

**Wednesday, November 20, 5:00-7:00 PM**, South Side Library | Letterpress printing changed the world when Johannes Gutenberg invented it in the mid-15th century. For more than 400 years, it was the main form of printing books, newspapers, pamphlets, and other printed materials that distributed information across the globe. Though it was eventually replaced by more efficient forms of printing, it's seen a recent revival as an artisanal form.

Take part in this program to learn more about letterpress printing as an artform. Staff from the Red Door Press, a letterpress shop in Des Moines, will lead this workshop, and each participant will have the chance to make their own bookmark. Please register in advance for this program by calling 283-4152 ext. 3 or finding this event at [dmpl.org/events](http://dmpl.org/events).

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## FRIDAY MORNING FEVER TODDLER AND PRESCHOOL DANCE PARTY

**Friday, November 1, 10:00 AM**, Central Library | Boogie on! The dance fever is heating up once again at Central Library. We'll be playing lots of groovy tunes so you can break it down! Join us for crafts, games, and music as we host another dance party. We'll bring out the parachute, bust out the bubbles, and boogie around the dance floor with our friends and family. It's a great chance to warm up during a chilly fall day. You won't want to miss out!

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## FREEDOM IN THE DIGITAL AGE

**Wednesday, November 6, 6:30 PM**, Franklin Avenue Library | Discover what makes technology so addicting and how you can break away from the screens in your life during this program. Anna Slavina, PhD, will give us an inside look on the techniques that developers use to keep you scrolling down your feed and playing that game. Slavina is a lecturer in the psychology department at Iowa State University. Once you know the tricks that technology companies use, you can learn how to wean yourself off screen time in and find freedom in this digital age.

## ONGOING PROGRAMS

### BOOK DISCUSSIONS:



**Monday, November 4, 1:00 PM**, Franklin Avenue Library: *Our Souls at Night*, by Kent Haruf

**Tuesday, November 5, 5:30 PM**, Americana (1312 Locust St.): *The Night Tiger* by Yangsze Choo

**Thursday, November 7, 1:00 PM**, South Side Library: *Killers of the Flower Moon*, by David Grann

**Tuesday, November 12, 6:30 PM**, Franklin Avenue Library: *News of the World*, by Paulette Jiles

**Monday, November 18, 2:00 PM**, East Side Library: *When Breath Becomes Air*, by Paul Kalanithi

**Monday, November 18, 7:00 PM**, Forest Avenue Library: *The Map of Salt and Stars*, by Jennifer Zeynab Joukhadar

**Tuesday, November 19, 2:00 PM**, North Side Library: *There There*, by Tommy Orange

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### WRITERS' WORKSHOP

**Monday, November 4, 5:00 PM**, Central Library

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### CONVERSATIONS AND COFFEE

**Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 12:30 PM**, Forest Avenue Library

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### JOB SEEKERS

**Thursdays, November 7, 14, & 21, 2:00 PM**, North Side Library

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### BASIC COMPUTER SKILLS

**Mondays, November 4, 18, & 25, 2:00 PM**, North Side Library



## NEW RELEASES: NOVEMBER

*Finding Chika*, by Mitch Albom

*A Minute to Midnight*, by David Baldacci

*The Confession Club*, by Elizabeth Berg

*The Great Pretender*, by Susannah Cahalan

*The Andromeda Evolution*,

by Michael Crichton and Daniel H. Wilson

*Final Option* by Clive Cussler

*Grit and Grace*, by Tim McGraw

*The Starless Sea*, by Erin Morgenstern

*Little Weirds*, by Jenny Slate

*Nothing to See Here*, by Kevin Wilson



**CLOSING:** All six locations of the Des Moines Public Library will be CLOSED on November 11, 28 and 29.

## HOURS AND LOCATIONS

Always open 24/7 at [dmpl.org](http://dmpl.org)

### CENTRAL LIBRARY 1000 Grand Avenue

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
Friday 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

### Pick-Up Window Hours

Monday - Friday 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

### EAST SIDE LIBRARY 2559 Hubbell Avenue

Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

### FOREST AVENUE LIBRARY 1326 Forest Avenue

Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

### FRANKLIN AVENUE LIBRARY 5000 Franklin Avenue

Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

### NORTH SIDE LIBRARY 3516 Fifth Avenue

Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

### SOUTH SIDE LIBRARY 1111 Porter Avenue

Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

# Free Storytimes

## Baby Rhyme Time | newborn - 18 months

Social storytimes for babies and their caregivers with rhymes, songs, movement, and a story!

- Tuesdays, 10:15 AM | Franklin Avenue Library
- Wednesdays, 10:15 AM | Central Library

## Mother Goose on the Loose | newborn - 3 years

Early literacy for babies and toddlers through songs, stories, movement, and music!

- Tuesdays, 10:30 AM | East Side Library
- Tuesdays, 10:30 AM | North Side Library
- Wednesdays, 9:30 AM | Central Library

## Play, Grow, Learn! | newborn - 6 years

Drop-in play using toys and materials that encourage early literacy skills!

- Mondays, 10:15 AM | Forest Avenue Library
- Thursdays, 10:15 AM | Forest Avenue Library
- Fridays, 10:30 AM | East Side Library

## Toddler Storytime | 18 months - 3 years

Introductory reading activities with stories, songs, and movement!

- Wednesdays, 10:00 AM | South Side Library
- Wednesdays, 10:15 AM and 11:00 AM | Franklin Avenue Library
- Fridays, 10:15 AM | Central Library

## Storytime | 18 months - 6 years

Introductory reading activities and preliteracy skills to promote school readiness through stories, songs, movement, and activities!

- Wednesdays, 10:15 AM | Forest Avenue Library
- Thursdays, 10:30 AM | North Side Library

## Preschool Storytime | 3 - 6 years

Preliteracy skills to promote school readiness through stories, songs, and activities!

- Mondays, 10:15 AM | Franklin Avenue Library
- Thursdays, 10:00 AM | South Side Library
- Thursdays, 10:15 AM | Central Library
- Thursdays, 10:30 AM | East Side Library

## Creative Readers | 3 & up

Read a story, explore, and create with art and STEM activities!

- Tuesdays, 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library

## Evening Family Storytime | entire family

Storytelling and activities to engage the entire family!

- Mondays, 6:30 PM | South Side Library
- Tuesdays, 6:15 PM | Franklin Avenue Library
- Tuesdays, 6:30 PM | Central Library
- Wednesdays, 6:30 PM | North Side Library

## Saturday Storytime

A variety of storytimes with various themes and age groups.

2nd Saturday of the month, 10:30 AM | Franklin Avenue Library  
Family Storytime | Entire family

## Bilingual Storytime | Cuentos y Canciones entire family/toda la familia

Enjoy stories, rhymes, and songs in English and Spanish!  
Disfruten cuentos, rimas, y canciones en inglés y español!

East Side Library:

- Tuesdays, 6:00 PM | Los martes, a las 6:00

Subject to change. Check  
[dmpl.org/storytimes](http://dmpl.org/storytimes) for  
current information.



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