



Quincy Public Library

Nov./Dec. 2024

Discovery Guide

Spread Holiday Cheer at the Library!



FOR ADULTS

Scan the QR Code to register



Screen Sanity for Parents: Addressing Digital Parenting Challenges

Performance/Lecture | Nov. 14
6PM - 7:30PM



Parenting today brings challenges like managing screen time, balancing the need for digital literacy with concerns about anxiety and depression. Many parents wonder, "How much is too much?" or "When should my child get a phone?" In partnership with the Quincy Children's Museum, Quincy Public Library is hosting a Screen Sanity Parent Night to offer practical tips. Free childcare for ages 1-10 is available at the museum, but children must be pre-registered. To register, email Rgage@quincylibrary.org.

Holiday Tips and Tricks with Chef Art Smith

Virtual Performance/Lecture | Nov. 20
7PM - 8PM

Join the Quincy Public Library and Illinois Libraries Present (ILP) for a free virtual event featuring Chef Art Smith, just in time for the holidays! A two-time James Beard Award winner, Chef Smith will share his culinary journey and inspire your holiday cooking.

Find the program page on our calendar at quincylibrary.org, and click the registration link, there you will find a Zoom link and can attend from home. This event is brought to you by ILP, funded in part by the Illinois State Library.



Native American Activism in Action

Performance/Lecture | Nov. 21 | 6PM - 7:30PM

Join us at Quincy Public Library to meet representatives of the Great Plains Action Society, an Indigenous-led activist group addressing the trauma faced by Indigenous Peoples and the Earth. Learn about Indigenous history, current events, and ways to help!

Take & Make: Mini Yarn Hat Ornaments

DIY/Craft | Dec. 2 - 30 | Library Operating Hours

Create your own Mini Yarn Hat Ornaments with our Take & Make craft kit! Stop by the "Ask Here" desk at Quincy Public Library to pick up a bag filled with everything you need, including materials and instructions. Perfect for teens and adults, this cozy craft is a fun way to get creative at home!



Holiday Card Making

DIY | December 2 - December 20 |

During library operating hours

Stop by the library to sign or design a holiday card for Quincy's homebound residents! Add a poem, sketch, favorite book quote, or a personal message to brighten someone's day. You can even include your name and address to gain a new pen pal. Show your support and let them know their community is thinking of them!

1st Annual Book Swap!

Take & Make | Dec. 7 | 10AM - 1PM

Do you want to refresh your stash of books at home? Do you pass on your books after you read them and buy new ones? Give yourself a holiday present, then, and join us in our first annual book swap!

How about trading them in? Fiction, non-fiction, sci-fi, fantasy-- trade it all for a new pile to read. Trade your books on a 1:1 basis. Drop off begins December 2nd at 9am, but you can also just bring your books the day of the swap!

Bring up to 25 books, grab a ticket, and come back to pick out new ones.

It's a book sale-- without the sale!

FOR ADULTS

Craft Time: Winter Book Trees

Crafts | Dec. 12 | 6PM - 7:30PM

In a crafting mood? Come join us at the library and help us repurpose old, discarded books into trees! Have fun turning a book into a holiday or winter woodland tree! All materials are provided. Space and supplies are limited. Register now!



Holiday Movie Marathon

Movie | Dec. 16 | 11AM - 7:30PM

The Quincy Public Library is excited to offer a Holiday Movie Marathon just in time for the holidays! It will start at 11 am and last all day at the library. So come out of the cold for the movies, but stay for the hot chocolate and popcorn!

11 AM: *It's a Wonderful Life*

1:30 PM: *Home Alone*

3:30 PM: *Miracle on 34th Street*

5:30 PM: *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation*



Hot chocolate and popcorn will be provided!



Experience Little Women: The Musical at QPL!

Online/ Virtual, Movie | Dec. 20 & 21

Join us at the library for a watch party on the large screen and see the Famous Broadway rendition of Little Women! Popcorn and refreshments provided!

Louisa May Alcott's classic story of four sisters growing up in 19th-century Massachusetts made its London premiere in this acclaimed production at Park Theatre. Originally presented on Broadway in 2005 starring Sutton Foster, Lydia White and Savannah Stevenson lead a talented cast in this beloved tale of family, self-discovery, and hope.



Adult Showing: December 20 @ 1PM

Family Showing: December 21 @ 10AM

BOOK CLUBS & DISCUSSIONS

Book Clubs

Bookies Book Club

Wednesday | 1 - 2:30 pm

Open Season

November 6

Circus of Wonders

December 4

Banned Book Club

Tuesday | 6:30 - 7:45 pm

The Picture of Dorian Gray

November 26

A Court of Thorns and Roses

December 10

Unshelved Book Club

Wednesday | 1 - 2 pm

Tattooist of Auschwitz

November 13

Everyone in My Family

December 11

Has Killed Someone

Renaissance Readers

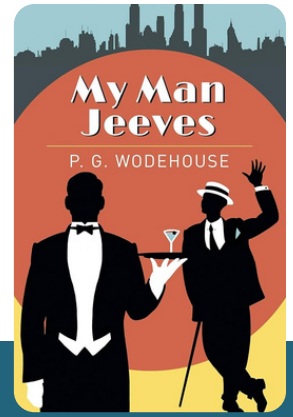
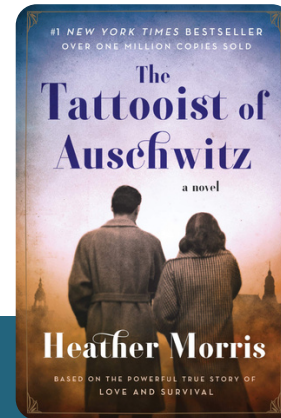
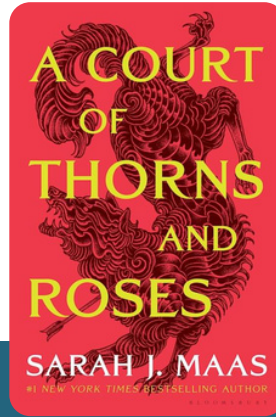
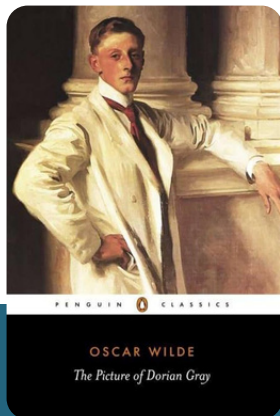
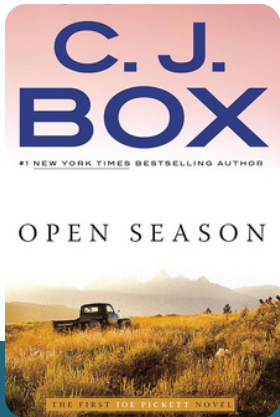
Tuesday | 10am - 11:30 am

My Man Jeeves

November 12

Holiday Party

December 10



Discussion Groups

Socrates Cafe

10 am - 12 pm

Nov. 8: A Dog's Life

Dec. 13: Artificial Intelligence



Check our
calendar to
register!



FOR TEENS

Teen Takeover | 3:00pm - 5:00pm Every Tuesday & Thursday

Ages 13 - 18

It's Teen Time! Snacks, crafts, games, and more!

Finally, some place you can escape to after school without younger siblings getting in your way.

Need a ride QHS? Get a pass for Bus #44!



POV: The teens
taking over



It's Fall Y'all: Wooden Sign Painting

November 1 | 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Time to celebrate fall y'all! Paint your own pallet sign with your favorite autumn scene or saying.

Why did the tree laugh? 🌳

It heard acorn-y joke! 🌰

All materials will be supplied.

Steampunk Crafts

November 15 | 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Think you were born in the wrong decade? Fan of tiny hats and timepieces? Maybe you just love Arcane and League of Legends.

Whatever brings you here, welcome! Make yourself a cuff studded with gears, a necklace with a skeleton key, or a secret third option.

Earth tones and gem stones are highly recommended.

K-Pop Party!

December 6 | 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Awards season is upon us! Whether you're part of the ARMY or ATINY, get in here and celebrate! 🎉👯

The Magic of Raina Telgemeier

December 10 | 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Join the Quincy Public Library and Illinois Libraries Present (ILP) for another amazing virtual program for teens and tweens!

Raina Telgemeier is a critically acclaimed comics artist. She is the author and illustrator of the graphic novels Smile, Drama, Sisters, Ghosts, and Guts, all #1 New York Times bestsellers. She also adapted and illustrated four graphic novel versions of Ann M. Martin's Baby-Sitters Club series, and has contributed short stories to many anthologies. Raina's accolades include six Eisner Awards, a Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor, a Stonewall Honor, and many Best-of and Notables lists.

After registering, you will receive a Zoom link and you will be able to attend this program from home!

Elf Painting

December 13 | 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Get in the holiday spirit with our Elf Painting program just for teens! Come create your own unique holiday elf on canvas. All supplies will be provided, so bring your creativity and enjoy a fun, relaxing time painting with friends. No experience needed—just come ready to have fun and get festive!

Perfect for teens looking to get crafty this holiday season!



KIDS & FAMILIES

QPL programs are free and open to the public, but space is limited, so please reserve your spot today! Register with the QR Code, or visit quincylibrary.org



Toddler Time

Storytime that is best for ages 16 - 36 months.

Tuesdays @ 10am

*No Toddler Time on November 5, December 3, 24, & 31

Baby Time

Storytime that is best for birth - 16 months.

Every Wednesday @ 10:30am.

*No Baby Time December 25

Preschool Time

Storytime that is best for ages 3+.

Thursdays @ 10am.

*No Preschool Time on November 7, 28, & December 5

Playdate

Playdate is best for ages 6 and under. 10am every Friday.

*No Playdate November 29

Monday Funday

Fun, family night perfect for 6 years and under. Every Monday @ 6pm.

*No Monday Funday November 4 & December 2

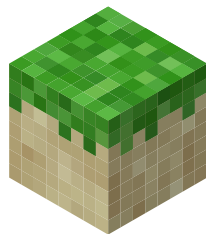
Lego Club

In-person | Lego Club is designed for ages 6 - 12. Every Wednesday from 3:30 - 5pm.

*No Lego Club December 25

Minecraft Club

This is an unstructured program for children to relax after school and play Minecraft with friends using the library's iPads.



This program is for children ages 7-12 years. Every Tuesday @ 3:30 PM. QPL devices are limited; participants are welcome to bring personal devices.

*No Minecraft club December 24 & 31



beanstack

NEW



Challenge



**Participate on the beanstack app
Nov. 1 - 28**

Join Smokey Bear in celebrating his 80th birthday by learning how to prevent wildfires and protect the environment!

Take on the challenge by reading 3 books about wildfire prevention or environmental conservation and earning 4 activity badges in the beanstack app.

Start by taking Smokey's Pledge, then complete at least one activity in each badge section to succeed. You can choose books from Smokey's Reading List at smokeybear.com or pick your own favorites.

Everyone who completes the Beanstack challenge will be entered into a prize drawing to win the Smokey Bear Basket, which includes a Smokey Bear stuffed animal, the book *What is the Story of Smokey Bear* by Steve Korte, and a limited-edition 80th birthday Smokey Bear Retro Cupcake Stainless Steel Insulated Tumbler.

Smokey Bear Reading Challenge

CELEBRATE SMOKEY BEAR'S



KIDS & FAMILIES

Puppet Shows

Hansel & Gretel

November 4: 6pm

November 5: 10am

November 7: 10am

November 9: 10am

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

December 2: 6pm

December 3: 10am

December 5: 10am

December 7: 10am



Deck the Quincy Museum Halls November 16 | 10am - 11am

Join Miss Natascha, Miss Carrie, and our museum friends at the Quincy Museum (1601 Maine Street) for a festive jump start to the Holiday season! Kids will have the chance to decorate two snowflake ornaments—one to take home and one to display at the museum. Plus, enjoy the opportunity to explore books, sign up for a library card, and snack on some treats. This event is designed for children ages seven and up, with adult support for younger children, but all are welcome to join the fun.

Elephant & Piggie Storytime November 18 | 6pm - 6:30pm

Join us for this special storytime dedicated to Elephant & Piggie! We will read a selection of Elephant & Piggie books by Mo Willems and dance to the music before meeting the characters. Elephant & Piggie will take photos with the children. This program is designed for children ages 2-6, but all are welcome to attend.

Family Read Night November 21 | 5pm - 8pm

Bring the whole family to the library for an evening of reading and bonding. Grab some books, find a cozy spot, and enjoy at least 15 minutes of shared reading time. Plus, families who read together at the library will earn a raffle ticket for a chance to win a prize basket! Family Reading Night is a statewide event held every year on the third Thursday in November to encourage families to unplug and connect through stories. Don't miss out on this fun, relaxing night!

Cookies & Cocoa with Santa December 14 | 1pm - 3pm

Stop by the library between 1 pm and 3 pm to visit with Santa, sip on hot cocoa, snack on a cookie, and create a Christmas ornament at our Cookies & Cocoa with Santa program!



Gingerbread House Craft December 19 | 6pm - 6:45pm



Get into the holiday spirit by creating your own festive gingerbread house—no baking required! In this fun, hands-on craft, children will decorate a wooden house, turning it into a magical gingerbread masterpiece. This program is designed for children ages seven and up, with adult support for younger children, but all are welcome to join the holiday fun.



QUINCY
PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Fri. - Sat. 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closed on November 28, 29, 30;
December 24, 25, 31; and
January 1.



Persons with disabilities can arrange for special assistance with library programs by calling (217) 223-1309 two weeks prior to any program.

All programs are subject to cancellation or rescheduling. All program registrants and participants must permit the taking of photographs of themselves during library activities and programs for future publication materials.



Experience something fun while at the library? Make sure to tag us on social media @quincylibrary!



Take your Reading Digital

Scan the codes below to download our apps today and take your library everywhere your life takes you!



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Read your go-to magazines.



HOOPLA

Read and Listen to your favorite books!
Watch shows and movies.



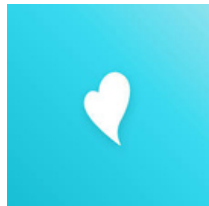
Boundless

Read and Listen to your favorite books!



KANOPY

Watch movies, shows, & more.
Has a 'Just for Kids' section.



BEANSTACK

Track your reading and join challenges.



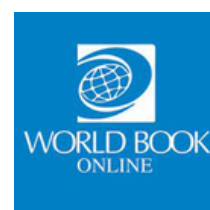
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