

April Events



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If registration is required, please call 367-8700. **Groups of 10 or more must always register.**
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Book Walk @ Outdoor Campus 4500 S Oxbow Ave

Hike a trail lined by pages of a story at the Outdoor Campus. All ages welcome.
Outdoor Campus | Friday, April 27, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Crafternoon Storytime

Featuring stories, songs, and a craft for families with children ages 2-6.
Caille Branch | Sundays, April 8, 15, 22, 29, 2-2:30 p.m.

Dental Health Puppet Show

Brooklyn Gross, a student of Harrisburg High School, will perform a puppet show based on her book, Billy's Cavity Carnival. Free toothbrushes will be given out after the event. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.
Downtown Library | Saturday, April 7, 11-11:30 a.m.
Prairie West Branch | Monday, April 2, 7-7:30 p.m.

Family Storytime

Stimulate early learning with books, rhymes, music, and movement.
Colton Branch | Fridays, April 6, 13, 20, 10:30-11 a.m.
Crooks Branch | Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 10:30-11 a.m.
Downtown Library | Saturdays, 7, 14, 28, 11-11:30 a.m.
Humboldt Branch | Tuesdays, April 3, 10, 17, 10:30-11 a.m.
Oak View Branch | Mondays, April 9, 23, 30, 10:30-11 a.m.
Prairie West Branch | Saturdays, April 14, 21, 10:30-11 a.m.

Fridays with Rocky

Encourage the love of reading and develop your child's learning skills at this special storytime with a certified therapy dog.
Downtown Library | Fridays, April 6, 27, 10:30-11 a.m.

Moving and Grooving Storytime

Perfect for wiggle worms; features music, movement, and books for families. Encourage your child's love of reading and early learning.
Oak View Branch | Monday, April 2, 10:30-11 a.m.

NASA Discovery Day

Learn about space science from local science educators at this hands-on STEM program for all ages.
Downtown Branch | Saturday, April 21, 2-4 p.m.

Pajama Storytime

Wind down at this evening story program for families. Pajamas optional.
Prairie West Branch | Mondays, April 2, 16, 23, 30, 7-7:30 p.m.

Poem in Your Pocket Day

Celebrate National Poetry Month! Storytime at 10:30 a.m. with crafts and activities to follow. For children ages 3-8.
Prairie West Branch | Saturday, April 7, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon

Second Saturday Storytime

It's raining, it's pouring, the old man is...STOP! There's no snoring at storytime with great stories, songs, and crafts.
Oak View Branch | Saturday, April 14, 10:30-11 a.m.

Siouxland Libraries Family Storytime @ Touchmark at All Saints 111 W 17th St

For families and Touchmark residents. Stimulate learning with books, rhymes, music, and an activity at this intergenerational program. We'll read books with a spring theme, then create a tissue paper suncatcher.
Touchmark at All Saints | Monday, April 2, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Siouxland Libraries Family Storytime @ Touchmark at All Saints 111 W 17th St

For families and Touchmark residents. Stimulate learning with books, rhymes, music and an activity at this intergenerational program. We'll read books with a kindness theme, then decorate May Day baskets.
Touchmark at All Saints | Monday, April 30, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Siouxland Libraries Closed

All branches are closed on Sunday, April 1, in observance of Easter.
All Branches | Sunday, April 1

Baby Storytime

Help your baby develop listening and language skills with songs, stories, and playtime. Get to know other families. For babies 6 to 24 months and caregivers.
Caille Branch | Mondays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 10:30-11:10 a.m.
Downtown Library | Saturdays, 7, 14, 21, 28, 9:30-10:10 a.m.
Prairie West Branch | Tuesdays, April 3, 10, 24, 10:30-11:10 a.m.
Ronning Branch | Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, 10:05-10:40 a.m.

Preschool for Parents

Make a take-home activity to help develop your preschooler's early learning while your child enjoys guided playtime. This month's activity is texture blocks. Parent registration required.
Caille Branch | Wednesday, April 25, 10-11 a.m.

Preschool Science

Explore hands-on science through stories and activities. For children ages 3-5.
Prairie West Branch | Saturday, April 21, 3:15-4 p.m.

Preschool Storytime

Encourage a love of reading and develop your preschooler's early learning through stories, rhymes, songs, and movement. For children ages 3-5.
Brandon Community Library | Tuesdays, April 3, 10, 17, 24, 10:15-10:45 a.m.
Caille Branch | Tuesdays, April 3, 10, 17, 24, 10:05-10:35 a.m. & 10:45-11:15 a.m.
Oak View Branch | Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 25, 10:30-11 a.m.
Prairie West Branch | Mondays, April 2, 9, 23, 30, 10:30-11 a.m.
Ronning Branch | Thursdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:05-10:40 & 10:45-11:20 a.m.

Spring Sensory Play

Spring is here! See live baby animals and engage in hands-on activities and stories.
Downtown Library | Friday, April 13, 10:15-11 a.m.

TinkerTots

Explore, create and learn through STEAM activities for children ages 2-5 and caregivers.
Ronning Branch | Thursdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26, 1-1:30 p.m.

Toddler Storytime

Nurture your toddler's love of books through music, movement, and stories, while developing language, motor, and social skills. For 2-year-olds and caregivers.
Caille Branch | Thursdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:30-11 a.m.
Prairie West Branch | Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 25, 10:30-10:55 a.m.
Ronning Branch | Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, 10:45-11:15 a.m.
Brandon Community Library | Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, 10:15-10:40 a.m.

Wee Read and Explore

Engage your child in early learning games and activities inspired by books. For children ages 3-6.
Colton Branch | Friday, April 27, 10:30-11 a.m.
Caille Branch | Wednesday, April 11, 10:30-11 a.m.
Crooks Branch | Wednesday, April 25, 10:30-11 a.m.
Humboldt Branch | Tuesday, April 24, 10:30-11 a.m.
Prairie West Branch | Saturday, April 28, 10:30-11 a.m.



Faces and Places, a show by South Dakota mother and daughter artists Jonni Good and Jessie Rasche, will be featured at the Downtown Library throughout April and May. Rasche is a contemporary impressionist painter with a passion for depicting the people and animals of South Dakota's prairie. Good is a sculptor whose mission is making sculpture accessible to a wider audience.



Art Adventures

Practice new techniques and discover the artists/illustrators who used them. Grades K-5.

Downtown Library | Thursdays, April 12, 19, 26, 4-5 p.m.

Chapter Blasters

Blast through the pages of a chapter book! Every time you come to Chapter Blasters, you're entered to win the book.

Downtown Library | Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Oak View Branch | Tuesdays, April 10, 17, 24, 3:15-3:45 p.m.

Creative Kids

Explore your creative side through crafts and activities.

Oak View Branch | Thursdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26 3:15-4 p.m.

Full STEAM Ahead

Discover science, technology, engineering, art, and math through activities. This month's theme is Weapons of Range. Grades 4-6.

Caille Branch | Wednesday, April 4, 4-5 p.m.

FuNdAy MoNdAy

Explore your creative side. After-school adventures with stories and activities. This month's theme is Weather Awareness. Grades K-3.

Caille Branch | Mondays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 3:45-4:30 p.m.

The Imagineers

Explore your creative side. After-school adventures with stories and activities. Grades K-5.

Prairie West Branch | Wednesdays, April 18, 25, 3:15-4 p.m.

No program on Wednesdays, April 4, 11.

Library Explorers

Explore the world around you. After-school adventures with stories and activities. Grades K-5.

Crooks Branch | Wednesdays, April 4, 18, 25, 4:15-5 p.m.

Humboldt Branch | Mondays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 3:45-4:30 p.m.

Library Explorers: NASA @ My Library - Jump to Jupiter

Explore the path and distance from the sun to each planet in our solar system. Activities include jumping from the sun to each planet and learning facts about the planets. This activity will be outdoors as weather permits.

Crooks Branch | Wednesday, April 11, 4-5 p.m.

Money Smart Kids

Celebrate Money Smart Week with activities and games to learn how to save money wisely.

Downtown Library | Tuesday, April 24, 4-5 p.m.

Movie Wednesday

A new release or classic children's film.

Oak View Branch | April 11, 25, 3-5 p.m.

Poetry Party

Read, write, recite...poems for everyone.

Downtown Library | Tuesday, April 10, 4-5 p.m.

Sewing Club

Learn a new skill. Make pillows, hats, clothing, and more. Grades K-5.

Downtown Library | Friday, April 6, 4-5 p.m.

S.T.E.A.M. -N- Thursdays

Explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math with activities. This month's theme is Ice Castles.

Baltic Branch | Thursday, April 5, 3:30-4:15 p.m.

Brandon Community Library | Thursday, April 12, 3:30-4:15 p.m.

Garretson Branch | Thursday, April 19, 3:30-4:15 p.m.

Valley Springs Branch | Thursday April 26, 3:30-4:15 p.m.

STEM

Explore science, technology, engineering, and math with activities. Grades 3-5.

Downtown Library | Tuesdays, April 3, 17, 4-5 p.m.

Tail Waggin' Tutors

Bone up your child's reading skills. Book a 15-minute reading session with a certified therapy dog. Registration required.

Caille Branch | Monday, April 16, 5-6 p.m.

Downtown Library | Sunday, April 8, 2-3 p.m.

Ronning Branch | Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, 6-7 p.m.

Ronning Branch | Saturday, April 21, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Unbored

Get Unbored! April is the month of Earth Day; we'll feature a related activity each week.

Ronning Branch | Tuesdays, April 3, 10, 17, 3:15-4:15 p.m.

Unbored: NASA @ My Library—Jump to Jupiter

Explore the path and distance from the sun to each planet in our solar system. Activities include jumping from the sun to each planet and learning facts about the planets. This activity will be outdoors as weather permits.

Ronning Branch | Tuesdays, April 24, 3:15-4:15 p.m.

Unplug and Play

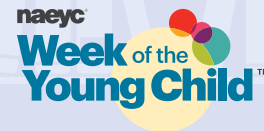
Test your skills and knowledge through activities that don't use computers.

Oak View Branch | Mondays, April 9, 16, 23, 30, 3:15-4 p.m.

Wii Wednesday

Play Wii games for exercise and fun.

Oak View Branch | Wednesdays, April 4, 18, 3:15-4 p.m.



Week of the Young Child™

Week of the Young Child™ is April 16-21. Storytimes, crafts, games, and activities celebrating early learning, young children, their teachers, and families.

Music Monday

A musical storytime with books, songs, and activities.

Downtown Library | Monday, April 16, 9:30-10 a.m.

Caille Branch | For ages 6-24 months, Monday, April 16, 10:30-11:10 a.m.

Oak View Branch | Monday, April 16, 10:30-11 a.m.

Prairie West Branch | For ages 3-5, Monday, April 16, 10:30-11 a.m.

Tasty Tuesday

Books and activities about healthy nutrition and fitness habits.

Brandon Community Library | Tuesday, April 17, 10:15-10:45 a.m.

Caille Branch | For ages 3-5, Tuesday, April 17, 10:05-10:35 a.m. & 10:45-11:15 a.m.

Prairie West Branch | For ages 6-months, Tuesday, April 17, 10:30-11:10 a.m.

Work Together Wednesday

Work together, build together, learn together at this play- and book-based program.

Downtown Library | Wednesday, April 18, 9:30-10 a.m.

Oak View Branch | Wednesday, April 18, 10:30-11 a.m.

Prairie West Branch | For 2-year-olds, Wednesday, April 18, 10:30-10:55 a.m.

Artsy Thursday

Art activities help children develop skills to be successful readers and learners.

Downtown Library | Thursday, April 19, 9:30-10 a.m.

Caille Branch | For 2-year-olds, Thursday, April 19, 10:30-11 a.m.

Oak View Branch | Thursday, April 19, 10-10:30 a.m.

Ronning Branch | Thursday, April 19, 1-1:30 p.m.

Teddy Bear Sleep-Over

Bring your stuffed animals to a sleepover at the library. See the fun they had.

Crooks Branch | Check-in: Friday, April 20, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Pick-up: Saturday, April 21, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Saturday Storytime

Stimulate early learning with books, rhymes, music, and movement.

Downtown Library | Saturday, April 21, 11-11:30 a.m.

Ronning Branch | Saturday, April 14, 11-11:35 a.m.

Take Your Child to the Library Day

Make-and-take crafts and other activities from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; storytime at 11 a.m.

Ronning Branch | Saturday, April 14, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.



ART-Rageous: Drawing 101

Explore drawing concepts and learn hands-on techniques from history through today. Intended for beginning and intermediate students in grades 9–12.

Caille Branch | Session 1: Monday, April 2, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Crack the Code

Hour of Code: an introduction to computer science. Attend one or all three sessions. No experience required. Bring your own laptop or use one of ours. Registration required.

Caille Branch | Thursdays, April 12, 19, 26, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Hamilton Throwdown

All things Hamilton—don't throw away your shot! Trivia! Lyrics! Sing-a-long!

Ronning Branch | Sunday, April 29, 2–3 p.m.

Immigration Stories—A New Life in South Dakota

Teens share the powerful stories of their lives in their homeland and their immigration to South Dakota.

Ronning Branch | Saturday, April 7, 2–3:30 p.m.

Pour Paint Art

Make a DIY pour paint work of art!

Brandon Community Library | Wednesday, April 4, 3:30–4:15 p.m.

Teen Advisory Board

Middle- and high-schoolers plan programs, suggest materials for library purchase and earn volunteer hours.

Caille Branch | Thursday, April 5, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Oak View Branch | Meets at Washington High School, Wednesday, April 4, 3:15–4 p.m.

Ronning Branch | Tuesday, April 10 7–8 p.m.

Prairie West Branch | Monday, April 9, 4:15–5 p.m.

Teen Art Contest

Imagine, design and create an original work of art! Grades 6–12. Entries must be submitted by Friday, June 1. Prizes awarded for top three entries in three age categories. Visit www.sioxland.org for complete contest rules.



Book Discussions

Books we're discussing this month. Call 367-8700 to register and get a copy of the book.

Books and Beans: Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Strout

Stomping Grounds, Hartford | Thursday, April 19, 2–3 p.m.

Brandon Book Club: The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein

Brandon Community Library | Thursday, April 5, 10:30–11:45 a.m.

Colton Book Club: Orphan Train by Christina Kline

Colton Branch | Monday, April 9, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

Garretson Book Club: The Girl with All the Gifts by M.R. Carey

Garretson Branch | Wednesday, April 18, 7–8 p.m.

Next Level Book Club: A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman

Remedy Brewing Co., Sioux Falls | Wednesday, April 25, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Page Turners: And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie

Ronning Branch | Monday April 16, 7–8 p.m.

Sweet Reads Book Club: Wild by Cheryl Strayed

Half-Baked Cupcakes, Sioux Falls | Tuesday, April 3, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Young @ Heart Book Club: The Crossover by Kwame Alexander

Oak View Branch | Monday, April 9, 7–8 p.m.

A Conversation of Poetry and Book Talk

Celebrate National Poetry Month with the Women Poets Collective. They'll read poems on the topic of family from their latest books. Discussion to follow.

Downtown Library | Monday, April 16, 7–8:30 p.m.

Fourth Annual Poetry Slam @ Remedy Brewing Co.

401 E 8th St

Celebrate National Poetry Month! Listen or register to read your original work at www.sioxlandlib.org or by calling 367-8700.

Remedy Brewing Co. | Friday, April 6, 6:30–8 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Includes the ribbon, tabs and workbooks, formatting, and basic formulas. Registration required.

Downtown Library | Tuesday, April 17, 10–11:30 a.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Includes the ribbon, formatting, copy/pasting, and page layout. Registration required.

Downtown Library | Tuesday, April 3, 10–11:30 a.m.

Lit and Knit

Discuss favorite books and authors while knitting squares to be made into blankets and donated to local charities. Bring size 10 needles.

Ronning Branch | Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Saving the Big Sioux River

Sioux Falls Sustainability Coordinator Jessica Sexe will explain how the city is dealing with river pollution and how citizens can help. She'll show how to make river-saving rain barrels.

Crooks Branch | Monday, April 23, 6–7 p.m.

Yarn-A-Bit

For beginning stitchers or advanced yarn-spinners. Bring your own supplies.

Ronning Branch | Wednesday, April 4, 7–8 p.m.



Siouxland Libraries launches One Book Siouxland in 2018 with Fredrik Backman's best-selling novel, A Man Called Ove. The annual program encourages everyone to read and discuss the same book and take part in a variety of related experiences.

Book Discussion

Share the experience of discussing the inaugural One Book Siouxland. Please register at www.sioxlandlib.org or call 367-8700.

Brandon Community Library | Thursday, April 12, 6–7 p.m.

Caille Branch | Sunday, April 15, 2–3 p.m.

Oak View | Monday, April 30, 7–8 p.m.

Ronning Branch | Monday, April 23, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Ronning Branch | Saturday, April 28, 10–11 a.m.

Movie Showing @ Icon Event Hall & Lounge

402 N Main Ave

Watch the Swedish version of the movie based on the book. English subtitles. Rated PG-13. Get free tickets through Cinema Falls events page. Seating is limited. Food and drink available for purchase; movie starts at 6:30 p.m.

Icon Lounge | Tuesday, April 3, 5:30–9 p.m.

Immigration Stories: A New Life in South Dakota

Young adults share the powerful stories of their lives in their homeland and their immigration to South Dakota.

Ronning Branch | Saturday, April 7, 2–3:30 p.m.

Traveling Exhibit-The Stories They Told

Learn about the Swedish immigrant experience as told through flat plane carvings from the American Swedish Institute in Minneapolis. Opening talk with curator Curt Peterson on April 7; exhibit on display April 7–29.

Downtown Library | Saturday, April 7, 10–11 a.m.

The Musical Story of Swedish Immigrants in South Dakota

With songs and fiddle tunes, Ron Johnson and Bill Peterson tell stories about emigrating from Sweden to Dakota Territory.

Downtown Library | Saturday, April 7, 11 a.m.–12 noon

Embracing Generational Diversity

We take up the topic of generations and how their life experiences affect how they react together.

Downtown Library | Thursday, April 19, 7–8:30 p.m.

The Many Sides of Grief

Using themes of A Man Called Ove, Dr. Marcie Moran, founder of the Center for Grieving and Loss and Director of Catholic Family Services, will explore the grieving process and how to cope with loss.

Downtown Library | Thursday, April 26, 6:30–7:30 p.m.