

Events for Kids and Families:

Light Up Winter Reading Event, Saturday, Jan. 18, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, QC Botanical Center, 2525 4th Avenue. Penguin fun with reading, crafts, and activities. Stories count towards winter reading challenge goals! No charge for admission during event hours.



Hug-A-Book Dance Party: Wednesday, Jan. 22, 6:00 to 7:00 pm, Downtown Library.

Movement, play, music, literacy and family fun for ages 5 & under! Free book, thanks to Merrill Harris Hug-A-Book fund of the Rock Island Public Library Foundation.



Storytimes and Early Learning

Petite Picassos: Hands-on art and a story for ages 5 & under with caregiver. 10:30 am:

- **Wednesday, Dec. 18, Jan. 22,** Southwest Library, 9010 Ridgewood Road.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 10, Jan. 14,** Downtown Library Children's Room.
- **Friday, Dec. 20, Jan. 31,** Downtown Library

Play and Grow: Ages three and under and caregivers. 10:30 am:

- **Wednesday, Dec. 4,** Southwest Library.
- **Friday, Jan. 10,** Downtown Library

Toddler Tale Storytimes: Ages five and under with caregiver. 10:30 am:

- **Tuesday** Dec. 3 and 17, Jan. 7, 21, 28, Downtown.
- **Friday,** Dec. 6, Jan. 17, 24 Downtown.
- **Wednesday,** Dec. 11, Jan. 8, 15, 29, Southwest

December & January 2020 Events

Letters to Santa Dec. 2-14, All locations

Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa is writing letters again, and his schedule is BUSY! Get on his mailing list! Pick up and return your Santa letter form at any Rock Island Library location. Santa will write a personal letter back to your child in plenty of time for the holiday. Letters to Santa are FREE.



Interactive Movie Dec. 27, 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Downtown Library

Free after-holiday fun for all ages. Register for ALL attending, so everyone gets a kit to follow-along with the on-screen fun!



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Winter Events

Rock Island Public Library

Multiple Ages

Southwest Craft Nights: Dec. 10, Jan. 14, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Southwest Library. Must register: See website or call.

Winter Reading Challenge

Light Up Winter! Monday, Jan. 6 to Feb. 8. All ages, enter and participate online and at all Rock Island Library locations. To win, just reach your reading goal!



Your January reading could help us win **Beanstack's 3rd Annual Winter Reading Challenge!** We challenge Rock Island & Milan-area patrons to collectively read 5,000 minutes or more by Jan. 31. To qualify, track time at our Beanstack online site.

Ongoing Events, Adults:

Cinema at Southwest: 10:00 am, Dec. 19 (*Scrooge*, 1970), **Jan. 16**, Southwest Library.

Tuneful Tuesdays, noon to 1:00 pm, Downtown Library. 1st Tuesday of each month through April. Bring your lunch!
Dec: 3: Harpist Devon Carpenter; Jan. 7: Chordbusters VLQ.



SEW Much Fun: 5:30—7:30 pm, Jan. 9, Downtown. Free, must register.

Getting' Stitchy With It, 2:00—4:00 pm, Jan. 30, also Downtown. No registration needed.

World War II Series—Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2:00 pm, Downtown Library. *Battle of the Bulge talk*, Army Sustainment Command. Series

continues **Jan. 8** at 6:00 pm, with a talk about Operation Watch on the Rhine.

- *Please see calendar for library book clubs & reading selections.*

Special Events for Adults

A Southern Africa Odyssey: A Mosaic of Botswana, Namibia, South Africa, and Zimbabwe: 6:00 pm, Jan. 13, Rock Island Downtown Library. Presenter: Norm Moline.

Homelessness in Rock Island:

- **Movie, *The Public*: Tuesday, Jan. 14,, 5:30 to 7:30 pm, Rock Island Downtown Library.** Movie content not suitable for all ages.
- **Community Conversation: *Homelessness in Rock Island*, Tuesday, Jan. 21, 6:00 to 7:30 pm, Rock Island Downtown Library.** community roundtable discussion about homelessness and housing insecurity in Rock Island.

Both events are free and open to the public. *Presented in partnership with Christian Care Center, Rock Island.*

Chocoholic Paradise: 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm, Saturday, Jan. 25, Downtown Library. Learn about the art of chocolate making from local expert Randy, of Chocolate Manor in Davenport.

Teens

Girls Who Code Club: Free afterschool computer science for girls in Grades 6—12. 5:30 to 6:30 pm, Dec. 10, Downtown Library.

Star Wars Trivia Night: 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, Jan. 2, 2020, Downtown Library: Fun for teens ages 12 to 18 AND their families. **Register** via the library calendar or call.

Roblox Night: 3:30 to 5:00 pm, Jan. 14, Downtown. Ages 12-18.