

WDM LIBRARY

West Des Moines Public Library Monthly Newsletter



SUMMER HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9am - 9pm

Friday 9am - 6pm

Saturday 10am - 4pm

Sunday CLOSED

Author Rachel Mans McKenny to Join Club Read Conversation on August 8

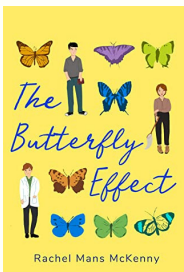
Join Alana and Amy on Monday at 7:00 p.m. for Club Read, a book club for adults. You may join us in the Millie Knee Classroom at the library or through Zoom.

We will be discussing The Butterfly Effect by Rachel Mans McKenny and the Iowa author will be joining us for the discussion via Zoom.



Once you register to attend Club Read, you will receive the link to the Zoom meeting a day or so before the club meeting.

The Butterfly Effect was the April 2022 All Iowa Reads selection. The book is pitched as: "A Man Called Ove meets The Rosie Project in this 'delightfully off-kilter' (Rachel Yoder, Nightbitch) tale of a grumpy introvert, her astonishing lack of social skills and empirical data-driven approach to people and relationships."



[Register to attend Club Read here.](#)

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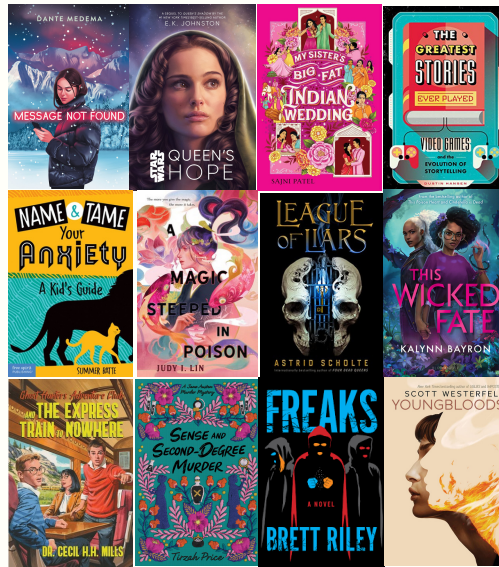


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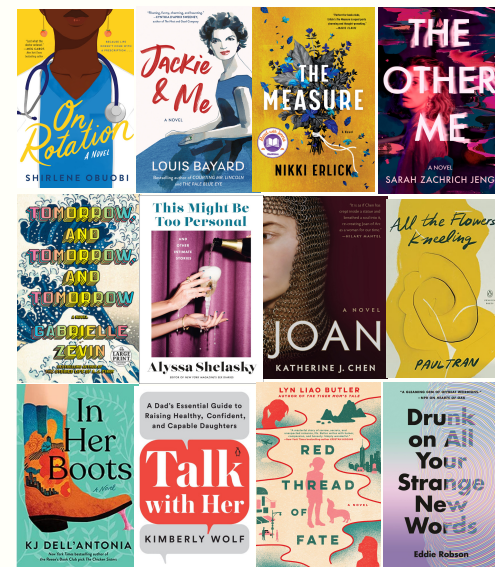
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In This Day and Page Turns !!

Our library podcast, In This Day and Page, recently hit its first anniversary. We're proud of how this platform has grown with 27 published episodes, over 700 unique listeners, and over 10 hours of recorded content.

In This Day and Page is a podcast about books, reading, and public libraries. It showcases and highlights the ins and outs of the West Des Moines Public Library through interviews with staff members, book recommendations, and learning about all the cool and different library resources, services, and programs we provide.

You can listen to the podcast on most streaming services or on the web by visiting anchor.fm/wdmlibrary.



Thank You, Friends Foundation Donors!

The West Des Moines Library Friends Foundation supports the West Des Moines Public Library and the many services, materials, and programs it provides to our community through promotion, fundraising and volunteering.

The Friends Foundation helps the library purchase new books, electronic materials, technology, and library artwork. The Foundation provides matching funds to bolster the budget for renovations and updating the facility. It also supports essential programs for all ages, such as the Library's summer reading program and elder care facility outreach program and homebound delivery service. Our annual membership drive allows us to continue to fund these initiatives and strengthen our community.

The Friends of The West Des Moines Library would like to acknowledge the extraordinary generosity of the following Friends whose donations to the 21/22 membership campaign were \$500+.

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August Adult Events at the WDM Library

[Find our full event calendar](#)

Tech One-On-One

Tuesday Mornings & Thursday Afternoons

Do you have a specific computer, mobile device, or other technology-related questions? We are here to help! Sign up for a 30 minute private session, walk-in's also welcome.



Iowa Cubs Homerun Reader Game

Wednesday, August 10 - 6:30 - 9:30 PM

When you finish the summer reading goal of 35 days of reading, you will receive a general admission ticket to the Iowa Cubs game on Wednesday, Aug. 10 at 6:38pm. Bring your reading logs to the library before Aug. 10th to receive your prize.



Dungeons & Dragons for Adults

Tuesday August 2 & August 16 - 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Are you curious about the game Dungeons and Dragons? Have you played D&D before, but need a new group? Hang out with a fun, open group of people as we adventure our way through campaigns and one-shots. Registration required.



YA Not Club Read

Thursday, August 11 - 6:30 - 8:00 PM

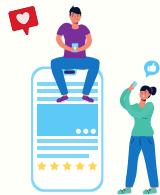
YA Not Club Read is our non-traditional book club for "Grown ups" who like to read and talk about Young Adult books. This month we'll be reading The Inheritance Games by Jennifer Lynn Barnes. This is also available on Libby. Registration required.



Tech Help with Teens

1st Saturday of the Month - 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Register for one-on-one help with one of our teen assistants! Our teen assistants have been trained to help with a variety of technical questions on smart phones, tablets, and laptops. Please register.



WDM Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, August 16 - 5:00 - 7:00 PM

If you are interested in attending the meeting but would prefer to attend virtually, Library staff can arrange for virtual access to the meeting. Please email susan.greenwood@wdm.iowa.gov or call 515-222-3408, at least 48 hours in advance.



Club Read: Hybrid Edition

Monday, August 8 - 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Join Alana and Amy for a hybrid book club meeting. You may join through Zoom or in person at the library. We will be discussing The Butterfly Effect by Rachel Mans McKenny. Registration required.

Adult Craft Night: Surprise Box

Thursday, August 18 - 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Come join us to create a fun craft for the adult crowd! We will guide attendees through the craft and provide the materials. This month we'll be making surprise boxes! Registration is required and space is limited.



Color Connection: Adult Coloring Club

Tuesday, August 9 - 1:30 - 2:30 PM

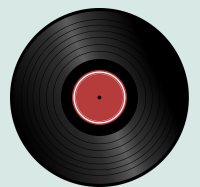
Relax, unwind and color your stress away! Studies show that coloring can have a calming effect on the mind and help promote wellness. It's also a way to connect with others, even if it's in a quiet environment. No registration required.



Music Literacy: Collecting Vinyl Records

Monday, August 22 - 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Do you have some old vinyl records and wonder if they're worth anything? Curious about why vinyl records seem to be so popular right now? Do you want to start collecting old records and don't know where to start? Learn from Nate Niceswanger from ZZZ Records. No registration.



Music Literacy: The Roots of Rock & Roll

Tuesday, August 9 - 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Come experience the advent of and evolution of rock and roll through songs, stories and histories events and learn how this music gained not only widespread appeal, but influenced American music and popular culture for decades to come. No registration required.



Children & Teen August Events at the WDM Library

[Find our full event calendar](#)



Friday Flicks: Turning Red

Friday, August 5 - 1:30 - 3:15 PM

(All Ages)

All movies are shown at 1:30 p.m. in the Library Community Room. No registration is needed, though space is limited. Today's movie will be Turning Red (Rated PG, 1h 40min).

Babies on the Move: Treasure Basket Playtime

Wednesday, August 10 - 10:00 - 11:00 AM

(Ages 1 mo. - 18 mos)

Join us for a special outdoor playtime using treasure baskets. Treasure baskets are containers with everyday household and nature items for babies to explore.

Great for sensory exploration, fine motor development and open-ended play. Registration required.



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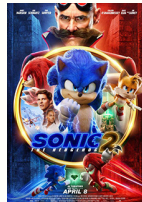
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Friday Flicks: Sonic the Hedgehog 2

Friday, August 12 - 1:30 - 3:45 PM

(All Ages)

All movies are shown at 1:30 p.m. in the Library Community Room. No registration is needed, though space is limited. Today's movie will be Sonic the Hedgehog 2 (PG, 2h 2min).



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Shake, Rattle & Roll (Ages 1 - 3)

Thursday, August 18 - 9:30 - 10:00 AM

(Ages 1-3)

You'll be movin' and groovin' on this hand-clappin', foot-stompin' morning! For ages 1-3. Registration required.

Shake, Rattle & Roll (Ages 4-6)

Thursday, August 18 - 9:30 - 10:00 AM

(Ages 4-6)

You'll be movin' and groovin' on this hand-clappin', foot-stompin' morning! For ages 4-6. Registration required.



Intro to Programming with Scratch

Wednesday, August 31 - 5:30 - 6:15 PM

(Ages 9-13)

In this hands-on session led by students and coaches of C3 Robotics team, students will learn programming concepts and terminology focused on block programming with Scratch. Scratch is a programming language and an online community where students can program and share interactive media such as stories, games, and animation. Registration is required.



Sign Up on August 1!
wdmlibrary.org/summer

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