

MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAM GUIDE

JANUARY 2025

For more information and a full list of events, visit our website!



Children's Weekly Storytimes and Craft

PreK, Birth to 4 years

Wednesdays | 10-10:30am

Morning Storytime

Wednesdays | 10:45-11:15am

Preschool Craft Time

Thursdays | 10:30-11am

Lapsit Storytime

Designed specifically for infants and toddlers alongside their caregivers

Thursdays | 1-1:30pm

Afternoon Storytime



Sensory Sensitive Programming

We welcome all ages and abilities, with a focus on neurodivergent children ages 10 and under.

Saturday, January 4 | 10:30-10:50am

Sensory Sensitive Storytime

A shorter, quieter storytime

Friday, January 10 | 3:30-4pm

Sensory Sensitive Activities

From tactile experiences to visual exploration, enjoy a new sensory activity with your caregiver.



Tween/Teen Programming

Grades 6-12, Ages 11-18

Thursday, January 2 | 6-7pm

Card Game Night

Join us in playing *Magic: The Gathering* and *Queen of Hearts*. Beginners welcome!

Thursday, January 9 | 6-7pm

Craft Night Out: Fandom Paint

Thursday, January 16 | 6-7pm

Book Launch Party -

The Inheritance Games

by Jennifer Lynn Barnes

We will read the first chapter together and then play a game tied to the story

Thursday, January 23 | 6-7pm

T.A.G. You're It!

Earn community service hours while hanging out with friends

Wednesday, January 29 | 12:30-3pm

School's Out Movie Madness-

Into the Spiderverse

Thursday, January 30 | 6-7pm

Silent Reading Party



Youth Programming

Grades K-5, Ages 5-10

Tuesday, January 7 | 4:30-5:30pm

LEGO® Builders

We provide the bricks, and you provide the ideas—build anything you can dream up and tell any story you can imagine.

Tuesday, January 14 | 4:30-5:30pm

Crafternoon - Georgia O'Keeffe

Make a painting in the style of Georgia O'Keeffe's Ladder to the Moon

Saturday, January 18 | 1:30-2pm

LabRatz - STEM Tower Building

We will learn some basic engineering principles while having fun

Tuesday, January 21 | 4-4:30pm

Early Chapter Book Launch -

Magic Tree House:

Dinosaurs Before Dark

by Mary Pope Osborne

After reading the first few chapters aloud together, we'll work on a fun activity tied to the story.

Tuesday, January 28 | 4:30-5:30pm

Crafternoon - Marshmallow Dispenser

Perfect for Hot Chocolate season!



Community Programming

All Ages

Wednesdays and Thursdays | 5-7pm

Nighty Night Storytime

Wednesdays, January 8 & 22 | 3:30-5pm

Board Game Community

Saturday, January 11 | 1:30-3pm

Movie Time -

Happy Feet

Tuesday, January 14 - February 3

Show us your Creativity

Pick up a small canvas, create something unique and return your masterpiece to be a part of our art show

Tuesday, January 14 | 6pm

Resa's Reviews and Recipes -

White Chicken Chili

Saturday, January 18 | 10:30am-11:30am

Dragon Wars

Bring your Reading Dragon and Friends cards to compete, trade, and claim victory in this epic card game showdown



Adult Programming

Ages 18+

Thursday, January 2 | 6-7pm

Books on Tap -

The Wager: A Tale of Ship Wreck, Mutiny, and Murder

by David Grann

Meets at Clayton's Tap

Monday, January 6 | 12-4pm

Calling All Crafters

Monday, January 6 | 4:30-7:30pm

A Gathering of

Magic: The Gathering

Monday, January 13 | 11am-2pm

Monday Matinee -

Twisters

Tuesday, January 14 | 6-7pm

The READbellion -

The Traveling Cat Chronicles

by Hiro Arikawa

Monday, January 27

Two Sessions Available:

12:30PM – 2PM or 5:30PM – 7PM

Adult Craft - Mixed Media Art

Monday, January 27 | 3-4pm

Afternoon Book Club -

The Woman in the Library

by Sulari Gentill



Special Interest Programming

Wednesday, January 8 | 10:15-10:45am

Developmental Screenings

FREE, drop in event for children Birth to 3 years. Sponsored by Jumpstart

Thursday, January 23 | 4-6pm

Financial Aid Application

Completion Night

Professionals will be available to help complete 2024-2025 FAFSA and RISE Act applications

Monday, January 27 | 10-11am

Homeschool Meet Up

Fantastic opportunity for homeschoolers of all ages to connect, share experiences, and build a supportive community



Senior Programming

Ages 60+

Tuesdays and Fridays, October 22 -

January 14 | 1:30 - 3:00 pm

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Registration suggested for all programs. Call or stop by the front desk.

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PreK, Birth to 4 years
-  **Youth**
Grade K-5, Ages 5-10
-  **Tween/Teen**
Grade 6-12, Ages 11-18
-  **Everyone**
All Ages
-  **Adult**
Ages 18+
-  **Seniors**
Ages 60+
-  **Special Interest**

Programs, dates and times may be subject to change.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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