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# Winter 2022-23 Guide

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# HOLIDAY HIGHLIGHTS

This season, make 455 E. Main Street your winter magic and winter survival headquarters! Get hygge with a good book and hot drink from Trapper Peak café. Take in the sun from level four's galleria. Learn a new skill in the Makerspace, or share new ideas in a Library's book discussion. Bring the kids down for a string of holiday themed activities. And check out downtown's "Missoula on Main" New Year's Eve program!

## PARADE OF LIGHTS

### Visit Santa Before the Parade

Location: Imaginarium  
Sat 12/31/2022 1:00-4:00 PM

Bring the kiddos to MPL to meet Santa before the Downtown Missoula Partnership's Parade of Lights. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive at the Library at 1pm, and be there until 4pm to read stories, hear holiday wishes, and pose for phone photos. Santa's sleigh leaves promptly at 4pm so be sure to get in line early! For more information visit: <https://www.missouladowntown.com/parade-of-lights/>.

### Drop-in Craft

Location: Art Box  
Sat 12/31/2022 12:00-4:00 PM  
Create light themed decorations.

### Families First Learning Lab

Location: Families First Classroom  
Sat 12/31/2022 12:00-5:00 PM  
Families are welcome to drop by Families First for holiday fun and activities.



## ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE

### The Spirit of Giving at Your Library

Location: First Floor  
December 1-31, 2022 5:00

Remember those in need this season with MPL's Giving Tree and ToileTree. Grab a Giving Tree tag to provide needed resources to a local organization, or adorn our ToileTree with travel-sized toiletries for local shelters.

### Holiday Tunes with the Missoula Youth Orchestra

Location: Level Four  
Fri 12/2/2022 9:30-10:30 AM

Enjoy beautiful holiday harmonies! Continuing a long-standing tradition of musical excellence, the Missoula Youth Orchestra (MYO) performs repertoire in a variety of styles, from early music to commissioned works by contemporary composers.

### Ugly Shirt Decorating Party

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Sun 12/4/2022 1:00-4:00 PM

Nothing festive thing to wear? Come create your most beautiful Ugly Shirt at MPL's decorating party! We supply the bits and baubles, and hot cocoa. You bring a garment. First 20 attendees get a free shirt to decorate.

### Laser Cutter Class: Holiday Decorations

Location: Makerspace  
Wed 12/7/2022 6:00-7:30 PM

Patrons of all ages are invited to use our laser cutter to make customized holiday decorations and ornaments. Paints will also be available. Free event, space limited; reserve your spot starting Nov 1st at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/laser-cutter-class-making-holiday-decorations-tickets-424269179537>.

### Community Cooking at the Library: Beef Bourguignon

Location: Demo Kitchen  
Tue 12/13/2022 6:00-7:30 PM

Kelly walks us through how to make a traditional holiday gourmet classic, beef bourguignon, just in time for your next gathering.

## MORE HOLIDAY FUN FOR KIDS

### Find the Elf on the Shelf

Location: Level Two

Each day in December in the Children's Library you can find Paige, MPL's Elf on the Shelf, in her new hiding place. Alert a librarian and you'll receive a sweet treat!

### Story Time with a Special Visitor

Location: Art Box  
Fri 12/16/2022 10:30-11:30 AM  
Sat 12/17/2022 10:30-11:30 AM

A very special visitor is taking time off from getting his sled and reindeer ready to visit the Library. Have your listening ears and wish lists ready!

### Cookie Decorating and Crafts

Location: Art Box  
Sat 12/17/2022 2:00-4:00 PM

Join Santa for cookie decorating, Christmas music, and holiday crafts.

### Dreidel, Dreidel, Dreidel

Location: Art Box  
Thu 12/22/2022 2:00-3:00 PM

Decorate your very own dreidel and play dreidel to win chocolate coins!





This New Year's Eve, Missoula Public Library and our All Under One Roof partners will participate in "Missoula on Main" (formerly First Night), a celebration of arts and culture organized by ARTS Missoula and now in its 29th year! Join us for tons of fun for all ages, on December 3, 12-5 PM. For ARTS Missoula/"Missoula on Main" details, visit [www.MissoulaOnMain.org](http://www.MissoulaOnMain.org). Library services limited to Level One self-service resources during this event.



## Demonstration Kitchen

Press apples and make delicious homemade apple cider in our demo kitchen! Create your own make-and-take mulled cider spice blend or follow one of our recipes.

## MakerSpace

Be kind, Missoula! Help keep Missoula kind with shining acts of kindness. Laser cut a star or snowflake ornament in our Makerspace, then decorate it with a creative act of kindness in the Art Box to take home or leave for someone else to take from our "kindness garland." Pick up new acts of kindness and share a pic of you completing your act on the library's social media throughout January!

## Families First Learning Lab

Join Families First Learning Lab for cookie and apron decorating, a gratitude workshop for parents and kids, and special exhibits on the 2nd floor.

**MCAT** MCAT offers a free and personal recorded Palm Reading to learn the secrets of the New Year before they even happen! We'll also have glamorous backdrops for your selfies, and take-away flash cards with New Year traditions of different cultures from around the world.

**spectrUM Discovery Area** Celebrate New Year's Eve with spectrUM Discovery Area! We'll be bringing in the New Year with our favorite science experiments.

**UM Living Lab** Ring in the new year with a kids and family dance party at the UM Living Lab. Music, limbo, and wishes for the New Year!

## All Under One Roof Family Passport Program

Get to know all five of the All Under One Roof partners at the Missoula Public Library! Explore any of the wonderful programs Families First Learning Lab, MCAT, spectrUM Discovery Area, UM Living Lab, and your Library have to offer and get a special stamp in your passport. Get five unique stamps in your passport during any upcoming AUOR programs and take home a prize. Stamps and passports never expire!

## Pop-Up Library

Location: Southgate Mall  
 Sat 12/17/2022 1:00-3:00 PM  
 Sat 1/21/2023 1:00-3:00 PM  
 Sat 2/18/2023 1:00-3:00 PM



The Missoula Public Library and All Under One Roof Partners Pop-Up brings services to you in new locations. This winter, connect with us at Missoula's Southgate Mall every third Saturday of the month. Get a library card, check out and return library materials, participate in an activity, and discover something new in your community!

## THIS WINTER IN THE MAKERSPACE

### Sewing and Mending

First Saturday of the month  
 2:00-6:00 PM

Bring your damaged clothing to the Makerspace and learn how to mend them during these sewing-focused open hours. All sewing projects welcome.

### Open Hours with spectrUM

Thu 12/15/2022 2:00-6:00 PM

Explore the Makerspace, learn about its resources, and make something scientific with our friends at spectrUM Discovery Area.

### 3D Printing Peace Cranes

Sat 1/14/2023 2:00-6:00 PM

Patrons of all ages are invited to the Makerspace to fold origami cranes, then learn the process of 3D scanning and 3D printing using those cranes. Drop-in event.

### Groundhog Day: Making with Light

Thu 2/2/2023 2:00-6:00 PM

Drop in to celebrate Groundhog Day with light-themed robotics and crafts.

### MakerSpace Open Hours

Every Thursday 2:00-6:00 PM  
 Every Friday 9:00 AM-1:00 PM  
 Every Saturday 2:00-6:00 PM



# Winter 2022-23 | Adults and All Ages

## WHAT WE'RE READING

### 2nd Wednesday Book Group

Meets both in the library and via Zoom for discussion. To join online, email [chrish@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:chrish@missoula.lib.mt.us) with "2nd Wednesday Book Group" in subject line.

**Lost in the City: Stories** by Edward P. Jones

Location: Blackfoot Room and Virtual  
Wed 12/14/2022 6:30-7:30 PM

**Burial Rites** by Hannah Kent

Location: Blackfoot Room and Virtual  
Wed 1/11/2023 6:30-7:30 PM

**The Widows of Malabar Hill** by Sujata Massey

Location: Blackfoot Room and Virtual  
Wed 2/8/2023 6:30-7:30 PM

### 3rd Wednesday Book Group

A lively book discussion group facilitated by a librarian. New members always welcome! Email Pam at [pamc@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:pamc@missoula.lib.mt.us) for more information.

**Zorrie** by Laird Hunt

Location: Blackfoot Room  
Wed 12/21/2022 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

**The Yellow House** by Sarah M. Broom

Location: Blackfoot Room  
Wed 2/15/2023 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

**Book Woman of Troublesome Creek**

by Kim Michelle Richardson  
Location: Blackfoot Room  
Wed 1/18/2023 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

### Montana Racial Equity Project Book Club

Meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month. Selections include titles about social justice, equity, and issues affecting historically marginalized communities. Look for books in MPL's catalog or purchase at club discounts at Fact & Fiction (Missoula) or Chapter One (Hamilton).

**The Loneliest Americans** by Jay Caspian Kang.

Location: Ellingson Room  
Wed 1/25/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

**All That She Carried: The Journey of Ashley's Sack, a Black Family Keepsake** by Tiya Miles

Location: Ellingson Room  
Wed 2/22/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

### Seeley Lake Library Book Club

Meets the first Thursday of each month in the library. We alternate between fiction and non-fiction titles. Refreshments provided. Masks not required.

Location: 456 Airport Dr, Seeley Lake  
Thu 12/1/2022 10:00-11:00 AM  
Thu 1/1/2023 10:00-11:00 AM  
Thu 2/2/2023 10:00-11:00 AM

### Swan Valley Community Library Book Chat

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Books chosen by consensus. Refreshments provided. No need to pre-register. For more info call the library at (406)754-2521.

Location: Swan Valley Community Library

Wed 12/14/2022 1:00-3:00 PM

Wed 1/11/2022 1:00-3:00 PM

Wed 2/8/2023 1:00-3:00 PM

## FEBRUARY IS FOR LIBRARY LOVERS!

### "No Man's Land: The Library" by Marcy James Photography Exhibit & First Friday Reception

Location: Level 4  
Fri 2/3/2023 5:00-7:00 PM

Kick off National Library Lovers Month with this first Friday reception featuring artist Marcy James and her exhibit "No Man's Land: the Library." Marcy's work has been exhibited nationally, is in numerous private and museum collections, and has been featured in a variety of publications. Marcy owns Paper & Ink Printing Studio in Missoula, Montana and is also an instructor for Rocky Mountain School of Photography.

Audra Loyal, owner of the Vespiary Book Restoration & Bindery will provide drop-in book making demos. Tours of the "World's Best Public Library" will also be available. Reception sponsored by the Friends of MPL.

### The Enduring Book

Location: Cooper Room B  
Wed 2/8/2023 6:00-7:00 PM

For as long as humans have made books we have predicted their demise. Book conservator Audra Loyal will share why the elegant technology of books continues to thrive in the digital world, and shed light on the reasons it will persist in the future. Audra is owner of The Vespiary Book Restoration & Bindery, holds an MLS from University of Washington, and is a member of the American Institute of Conservation and Guild of Bookworkers

### Ten Questions with Artist Marcy James

Location: Cooper Room B  
Tue 2/28/2023 6:00-7:00 PM

Featured artist Marcy James discusses her Level 4 exhibit "No Man's Land: the Library" with Radius Gallery owner Lisa Simon, PhD. The discussion follows Lisa's popular "Ten Questions" format. Attendees are encouraged to participate with their own questions.

### Book Clubbers' Soirée

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Sat 2/25/2023 2:00-4:00 PM

This fun event is for Missoula's local book clubs and their members. Mingle, enjoy refreshments, and learn about book club resources, trends, and topics. Our headliner will be acclaimed author Deirdre McNamer, author of *Aviary*, *Red Rover*, *My Russian*, and more. Sponsored by the Missoula Public Library Foundation.

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## LEARN, SHARE, & GROW

### Fossils Rock! Lecture Series

Explore our ancient past with UM paleontologist Kallie Moore! Kallie presents a lecture a month from January through June (plus one in March for kids!) on topics ranging from local geology to deep time and a lot in between. For full series details visit: <https://www.missoulapubliclibrary.org/home/programs-events/ongoing-programs/>.

### Field Guide to Montana Fossils

Location: Cooper Room B  
Wed 1/18/2023 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Basic Montana geology, examples of life in the paleontological record, and the legal/ethical process of collecting fossils will be discussed. Learn how to be conscientious collector ... and avoid going to jail or getting fined!

### A Guide to Ice Age Montana

Location: Cooper Room B  
Wed 2/15/2023 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Winter is here, but not like it was during the Pleistocene! Travel back 10,000+ years, meet Ice Age animals roaming Montana, and learn about their environment. We'll also dig into Flathead Valley geology to see how ice shaped the landscape.

### 4 History Buffs: The Beginning of Time with George Seielstad

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Fri 1/27/2023 7:00-9:00 PM

Radio waves from space were discovered unexpectedly in 1933 by Karl Jansky at Bell Telephone Laboratories. In 1964, Ano Penzias and Robert Wilson, working at Bell Labs with a different radio telescope, discovered radiation filling all of space. What they found was the Echo of Creation, the moment 13.8 billion years ago when space, time, and the seeds of matter came into existence.

### 4 History Buffs: Mike Mansfield: How the Legacy of Montana's Greatest Statesman Can Support Our Democracy, with Deena Mansour

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Fri 2/24/2023 7:00-9:00 PM

Montana's Mike Mansfield left enduring marks on our state, the nation, and the world. Deena Mansour, Executive Director of UM's Mansfield Center, will discuss the Center's work to honor the Mansfield legacy, and how Montanans can work together to support the core values of our democracy that Mansfield exemplified so well.

### Buffalo Soldiers: The 25th Infantry Regiment Bicycle Corps

Location: Cooper Room A  
Mon 2/13/2023 6:00-7:00 PM

Presentation by the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula on the "Iron Riders," a unit of African-American soldiers tasked with testing the military potential of a new technology — the bicycle — in honor of Black History Month.

### Newspapers in Genealogy Research

Location: Cooper Room A  
Mon 1/9/2023 1:30-3:00 PM

Obits and articles and gossip, oh my! Learn to use newspapers in genealogy research.

### Western Montana Genealogical Society

Tue 1/10/2023 6:30-8:00 PM  
Location: Blackfoot Room

Join the members of this group for general genealogy discussions and tips on making your family history research more productive.

### Beyond BMDs - Adding Life to Your Family History

Location: Cooper Room A  
Mon 2/13/2023 1:30-3:00 PM

There's more to your ancestors lives than their births, marriages and deaths. Learn how to add interesting details to your family history.

### Western MT Genealogical Society Work Day

Location: Blackfoot Room  
Sat 12/17/2022 12:00-4:00 PM  
Sat 1/21/2023 12:00-4:00 PM  
Sat 2/18/2023 12:00-4:00 PM

Bring a part of your genealogical project to the gathering. Other genealogists will be working on their projects, and can lend a hand and share advice on research problems.

### Permaculture with Paul Wheaton

Join the "Duke of Permaculture" Paul Wheaton of permies.com and Wheaton Labs for permaculture workshops this winter at your library.

### Free, Earth Friendly Heat

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Mon 1/23/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

Learn about energy efficiency strategies and projects involving rocket mass heaters, passive solar greenhouses, and Paul's Skills to Inherit Property (SKIP) program. Energy efficiency can save you money, heat your home better, and is easier on the environment.

### Devious Experiments for a Passive Greenhouse

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Mon 2/27/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

Paul explains his innovative plans for a greenhouse that will keep stuff growing even during a Montana winter! Using natural building techniques and without relying on any gimmicky materials, a truly passive solar greenhouse will keep a part of your place a haven from winter's bite.



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## NEW SKILLS, NEW MOVES

### Tech Connect

#### iPhone/iPad Basics

Location: Cooper Room A  
Thu 12/1/2022 10:30-11:45 AM  
Thu 1/5/2023 10:30-11:45 AM  
Thu 2/2/2023 10:30-11:45 AM

For those who have a new iOS mobile device (iPhone, iPad), or considering getting one, and want to learn more about basic functions. Get connected, identify common apps, and build confidence in using devices safely.

#### Android Basics

Location: Cooper Room A  
Thu 12/8/2022 10:30-11:45 AM  
Thu 2/9/2023 10:30-11:45 AM  
Thu 1/12/2023 10:30-11:45 AM

For those who have a new Android mobile device (smartphone or tablet), or considering getting one, and want to learn more about basic functions. Get connected, identify common apps, and learn to use devices safely.

#### eBooks and Audiobooks

Location: Cooper Room A  
Thu 12/22/2022 10:30 AM-11:45 AM  
Thu 1/19/2023 10:30-11:45 AM  
Thu 2/16/2023 10:30-11:45 AM

Learn how to download eBooks and audiobooks for free with your library card using a variety of mobile devices. Bring your device, or try out one of the library's. A variety of tablets, smartphones, Kindles, and other E-readers will be on hand for use during the class.

#### Tech Time @ MPL

Location: Ellingson Room  
Sat 12/10/2022 10:30 AM-12:00 PM  
Sat 1/7/2023 10:30 AM-12:00 PM  
Sat 1/21/2023 10:30 AM-12:00 AM  
Sat 2/4/2023 10:30 AM-12:00 PM  
Sat 2/18/2023 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Meet with a library staffer during a drop-in help hour and get one-on-one assistance with basic technology issues and library services. Bring your device, or use a library laptop. No appointment required, first come, first served.

### Missoula Job Service

#### Resume Office Hours

Location: Cooper Room B  
Wed 12/15/2022 2:30-4:30 PM  
Thu 2/9/2023 2:30-4:30 PM

Workforce Consultants from Missoula Job Service will help you sharpen your resume, edit your cover letter, and focus your job search. Registration required. Call 721-2665 or email [crystalk@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:crystalk@missoula.lib.mt.us) to register. Workshop participants need to bring resumes or cover letters on a flash drive or access it online.

### Job Search & Resume Workshop

Location: Cooper Room B  
Mon 12/12/2022 2:30-4:30 PM  
Mon 1/9/2023 2:30-4:30 PM  
Mon 2/13/2023 2:30-4:30 PM

An in-depth look at designing resumes and navigating a job search. Workshop includes how to use Applicant Tracking Systems to your advantage, search and analyze job postings, use accepted resume formats, and write a resume that stands out. This is where to start if looking to take your job search to the next level, and secure the interview you want. No registration required.

### Community Cooking at the Library

#### Beef Bourguignon

Location: Demo Kitchen  
Tue 12/13/2022 6:00-7:30 PM

Kelly walks us through how to make a traditional holiday gourmet classic, beef bourguignon, just in time for your next gathering.

#### Butternut Squash Soup

Location: Demo Kitchen  
Tue 1/10/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

Kelly shows us how to make a hearty and warming butternut squash soup perfect for chilly winter days!

#### Chocolate, Chocolate, and more Chocolate

Location: Demonstration Kitchen  
Tue 2/14/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

You can never go wrong with chocolate! Kelly shows us how to make three decadent treats on Valentine's Day.

### Adaptive Cooking with MonTECH

Location: Demo kitchen  
Mon 12/19/2022 1:00-2:00 PM  
Mon 2/6/2023 3:00-4:00 PM

MonTECH is Montana's statewide Assistive Technology (AT) program, ensuring any Montanan with a disability has access to devices and equipment that support personal independence. This winter, MPL partners with MonTECH is host two adaptive cooking demonstrations. Come learn from MonTECH staff and Missoula chef, Wisam Raheem, about how to incorporate AT into meal preparation. AT can be used to combat challenges with strength, mobility, low vision, tremors, safety concerns, and more. We'll demonstrate a variety of adaptive equipment while producing classic Arabic recipes.

### D&D Guild for Adults

Location: Virtual  
Fri 12/9/2022 6:00-8:00 PM; Fri 12/23/2022 6:00-8:00 PM  
Fri 1/6/2023 6:00-8:00 PM; Fri 1/20/2023 6:00-8:00 PM  
Fri 2/3/2023 6:00-8:00 PM; Fri 2/17/2023 6:00-8:00 PM

A bi-weekly online Dungeons & Dragons game for adults 18+. Beginners welcome but space is limited. To join contact Brian at [bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us).

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## Tuesday Yoga @ the Library

Location: Cooper Room A  
Every Tuesday 6:30-7:30 PM

End your Tuesday right with yoga! During this class led by local instructor Kristen Stoeger, participants can expect to start with breath work, transition into mindful movement, settle in for a yoga nidra meditation, and finish with some gratitude. Kristen uses a mix of hatha, restorative, and gentle yogas, and yoga nidra meditation. Class designed for basic skills, beginners welcome! Kristen is certified through the Veteran's Yoga Project in Mindful Resilience Yoga to teach in a trauma-informed manner.

Space limited, online registration required at: <https://registerfortuesdayyoga.eventbrite.com>. Participants encouraged to wear a mask. must sign a liability waiver prior to the session by downloading/printing it or filling out a provided copy before class begins. Download the waiver (PDF) here <https://tinyurl.com/5f5h4jvw>. Bring a mat or borrow one from the Library.

## Watercolor Painting Class

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Every Friday 12:00-2:00 PM

Local artist Robert Peltzer will help you understand and develop the skills and techniques necessary to enjoy and succeed at watercolor painting. Open to ages 18 and older. No fee or registration but you must bring your own watercolor paper, paints, brushes, and palette.

## Yarns @ MPL

Location: Blackfoot Board Room  
(Ellingson Room on 12/9/2023)  
Every Friday 12:00-2:00 PM

Calling all knitters and crocheters! Bring your lunch and your latest project to the Blackfoot Board Room every Friday to end your week with some crafty fun.

## Memory Café

Activities for individuals experiencing memory loss, their caregivers, and family.

## Holiday Fun at Memory Café

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Tue 12/13/2022 2:00-3:00 PM

Join us for holiday fun in December. We'll decorate cookies and hear Christmas carols.

## Find Your Rhythm with the Drum Brothers

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Tue 1/10/2023 2:00-3:00 PM  
Find your rhythm as Drum Brothers leads us in a fun and interactive drumming session.

## Montana's Natural Wonders

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Tue 2/14/2023 2:00-3:00 PM  
Explore Montana's natural wonders with the Montana Natural History Center.

## NOW SHOWING

### Cheap Date Night

Enjoy a recently released feature film every 3rd Friday in the library's Cooper's Space. Doors open from 6:15 - 6:45 and the film starts at 6:30; late entry not allowed. Attendees must enter from the library's parking garage.

### Where the Crawdads Sing

Mystery thriller, 125 minutes.  
Location: Cooper Room A  
Fri 12/16/2022 6:30-9:00 PM

### Bullet Train

Action comedy, 126 minutes.  
Fri 1/20/2023 6:30-9:00 PM  
Location: Cooper Room A

### The Woman King

Historical drama, 135 minutes  
Fri 2/17/2023 6:30-9:00 PM  
Location: Cooper Room A

## World Wide Cinema

MPL's free monthly film series of first-run independent and foreign films accompanied by English subtitles. Doors open from 6:15 - 6:45 and the film starts at 6:30; late entry not allowed. Attendees must enter from the Library's parking garage.

### Hotel by the River

South Korea, 96 minutes  
Location: Cooper A  
Fri 12/9/2022 6:30-9:00 PM

Special Re-Imagining Death Installment moderated by Prof. Matthew Strohl. Convinced he's about to die, an ageing poet invites his bickering sons to an isolated hotel for a final goodbye. Program is part of Re-Imagining Death: Conversations on Dying, Loss, and Grief in partnership with UM's Humanities Institute.

### Cocoon

Germany, 95 minutes  
Location: Cooper A  
Fri 1/13/2023 6:30-9:00 PM

A tale of the many metamorphoses of a young woman, depicting teenage desire and life in Berlin during one scorching summer.

### Moon, 66 Questions

Greece, 108 minutes  
Location: Cooper A  
Fri 2/10/2023 6:30-9:00 PM

When a grave illness strikes down her father, a young woman returns home after being away for a few years. Father and daughter embark on an unexpected journey into knowledge and revelation.

# Winter 2022-23 | Kids and Families

## Cooking Demo & Book Release Party

Location: Demo Kitchen  
Thu 12/15/2022 3:30-4:30 PM

Chef Katie creates tasty treats from her kids's cookbook series, *The 9 Lives of Charlie the Chicken Mushroom*. She will also debut book 4 in the series with live readings from special guests. Books will be available for purchase. Come to learn, listen, play, and eat!

## Moon Craters in the MakerSpace

Location: MakerSpace  
Fri 12/23/2022 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Children of all ages may drop in during Makerspace open hours to celebrate the Super New Moon by making their own impact craters in sand. This event is a part of the Mission2Mars program.

## Teddy Bear Sleepover & Ice Cream Breakfast

Location: Imaginarium  
Fri 2/3/2023 4:00-5:00 PM  
Sat 2/4/2023 9:00-11:00 AM

Bring your fluffy best friend to the library for fun space activities with spectrUM, a Families First Learning Lab exhibit, and, weather-permitting, sky gazing with the Western Montana Astronomical Association. You can leave your friend overnight and pick them up the next morning. We'll have a slideshow of your friends' sleepover shenanigans, and Families First will celebrate Ice Cream for Breakfast Day in the Art Box!

## Kids Cook with Chop Chop

Location: Demonstration Kitchen  
Thu 12/1/2022 3:30-4:30 PM  
Thu 1/5/2023 3:30-4:30 PM  
Thu 2/2/2023 3:30-4:30 PM

Taking inspiration from our kid's magazine ChopChop, learn how to create tasty snacks and easy meal options you can make at home.

## You're an Engineer

Location: Imaginarium  
Thu 12/15/2022 3:30-4:30 PM  
Thu 1/19/2023 3:30-4:30 PM  
Thu 2/16/2023 3:30-4:30 PM

Build and create with oversized Building Blocks and our Rig-a-ma-jig. Enjoy free building time or join the building challenges.

## WEEKLY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

### Tiny Tales

Location: Imaginarium  
Every Thursday 10:30-11:00 AM  
Every Friday 10:30-11:00 AM

Tiny Tales uses sounds, rhythm, and movement to help your child learn to read! Participants sing songs, learn finger-plays and nursery rhymes, and hear stories.

## Story Time

Location: Art Box  
Every Friday 10:30-11:30 AM  
Every Saturday 10:30-11:30 AM

Story Time is for children ages 3 and older and their caregivers. Story Time is also recorded and posted online at a later date on the library's website and YouTube channel.

## Young Kids Dance Party with MCAT

Location: MCAT Studio  
Every Saturday 11:00-11:45 AM

MCAT offers a disco dance opportunity for kids and caregivers every Saturday from 11:00 AM to 11:45 AM. Stop by the MCAT Studio on Level One after Story Time to enjoy a fantastic light show and kid-friendly playlist.

## Lego Club

Location: Imaginarium  
Every Monday & Friday 2:30-5:00 PM

Drop in and build fantastic Lego structures to your heart's content every Monday and Friday afternoon.

## Stop Animation for Kids with MCAT

Location: MCAT Studio  
Every Saturday 1:00-3:00 PM

A free two hour workshop that fosters fun, computer skills, and artistic expression. Lego Stop Animation, animated drawing, live action skits. Program suitable for ages 9 - 13, call (406) 542-6228 to learn more.

## Middle School Writers' Group

Location: Virtual  
Every Wednesday 3:30-5:00 PM

For writers in 6th-8th grades. We share original stories, poems, novels; give and receive feedback; and do fun writing activities. It's all about creation and imagination! To join, email Dana [danam@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:danam@missoula.lib.mt.us).

## THE TEEN ZONE

### Young Adult Writers' Group

Location: Art Box and Virtual  
Every Friday 3:30-5:30 PM

For writers and aspiring writers ages 16-19. We share our work aloud and give and receive respectful feedback. All genres, tones, styles welcome. We laugh, shiver, cringe, swoon and enjoy words! To join, email Dana at [danam@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:danam@missoula.lib.mt.us).

### Big Sky Writers' Group

Location: Big Sky High School Library  
Every Wednesday 4:30-5:30 PM

Join us to share poems, stories, rants, and writing games. This group is free and meets all year long. Interested? Email Brian at [bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us) or come in and find us at the study tables in the library's back corner.



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## THE TEEN ZONE

### Continued

#### Democracy Project

Location: Art Box  
Every Wednesday 6:00-8:00 PM

Like-minded teens come together to flex civic engagement muscles and make our community a better place. For more information contact Linette at (406) 541-8876 or [linette@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:linette@missoula.lib.mt.us).

#### Montana's Changing Political Landscape

Location: Cooper A/B  
Tue 1/10/2023 6:00-8:00 PM

The Democracy Project and Humanities Montana host this Missoula Public Library teen-led civic engagement program with a lecture by **Mike Dennison**. Participating teens will also share information about what they are currently working on.

#### From the Atom to the Atmosphere: Replacing Nature with a Synthetic World

Location: Cooper A/B  
Tue 1/17/2023 6:00-8:00 PM

The Democracy Project and Humanities Montana host this Missoula Public Library teen-led civic engagement program with a **Christopher Preston** lecture. Participating teens will also share information about what they are currently working on.

#### D&D Guild for Teens

Location: Virtual  
Sat 12/3/2022 3:00-5:00 PM  
Sat 12/17/2022 3:00-5:00 PM

An ongoing online Dungeons & Dragons game for teens aged 12-17. Beginners welcome but space is limited. To join email Brian at [bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us).

#### Big Sky 3D Printing Open Hours

Location: Big Sky High School Library  
Every Tuesday and Thursday 4:30-7:30 PM

Staff can help with finding basic free 3D files online and using the Cura Ultimaker 3D printing software. Print jobs requiring more than 3 hours should be taken to MPL's Makerspace downtown. For more info, contact Brian at [bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us).

#### Big Sky Gaming Station

Location: Big Sky High School Library  
First Tuesday of the month 4:30-7:00 PM

PlayStation 4 and hundreds of games available for use on the projector screen in the back of the Big Sky High School Library. Challenge your friends or explore new worlds on your own! For more info contact Brian at [bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us).

#### Meteor Shower Viewing

Location: Big Sky High School  
Wed 12/14/2022 5:30-7:30 PM

Come view the Geminid meteor shower and other celestial objects (weather permitting) with telescopes and the help of the Western MT Astronomical Association. Inside the Big Sky High School library there will be hot tea, cider, and cocoa, and astronomy activities on NASA's Artemis mission and . Contact Brian at [bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us](mailto:bdoyle@missoula.lib.mt.us) for more details.



#### spectrUM Open Hours

Tuesday – Saturday 10:00 AM-6:00 PM

#### Robotics Club

Location: spectrUM's Classroom  
Thu 12/1/2022 3:30-5:30 PM  
Thu 12/8/2022 3:30-5:30 PM  
Thu 12/15/2022 3:30-5:30 PM

3rd-5th graders can join this free after-school club to design, test and build their own robots. Registration required at: <https://forms.gle/9kvZbQHbUxrs7Wqf8>

#### Insectarium

Location: spectrUM  
Every Thursday 3:00-5:00 PM

The Missoula Butterfly House and Insectarium visit the spectrUM with their bug ambassadors and fun activities. No registration required.

#### Engineer It

Location: spectrUM Classroom  
Tue 12/6/2022 4:00-6:00 PM  
Tue 12/13/2022 4:00-6:00 PM

3rd-5th graders can join this free after-school club to build and invent their own creations. Registration required at: <https://forms.gle/9kvZbQHbUxrs7Wqf8>

#### Discovery Bench Themes

Guided activities at our Discovery Bench every Tuesday-Saturday 2-6 PM. No registration required.

<b>Circuits &amp; Robots</b>	Tue 11/30/2022 - Sat 12/3/2022
<b>Biology &amp; Biofuels</b>	Tue 12/6/2022 - Sat 12/10/2022
<b>Engineering</b>	Tue 12/13/2022 - Sat 12/17/2022
<b>Forces &amp; Motion</b>	Tue 12/20/2022 - Fri 12/23/2022
<b>Science Palooza</b>	Tue 12/27/2022 - Fri 12/30/2022
<b>Chemistry</b>	Tue 1/3/2023 - Sat 1/7/2023
<b>Earth Science</b>	Tue 1/10/2023 - Sat 1/14/2023
<b>Anatomy &amp; Dissections</b>	Tue 1/17/2023 - Sat 1/21/2023
<b>Astronomy &amp; Aliens</b>	Tue 1/24/2023 - Sat 1/28/2023
<b>Color in Science</b>	Tue 1/31/2023 - Sat 2/4/2023
<b>Biology &amp; Biofuels</b>	Tue 2/7/2023 - Sat 2/11/2023
<b>Oceans &amp; Science</b>	Tue 2/14/2023 - Sat 2/18/2023
<b>Wildfire Week</b>	Tue 2/21/2023 - Sat 2/25/2023
<b>Nano Inventions</b>	Tue 2/28/2023 - Sat 3/4/2023

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## FAMILIES FIRST LEARNING LAB

### Preschool Art with a Purpose

Every Tuesday 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

A program that gives preschool children an opportunity to get creative while serving our community!

### Blue Block Day

Location: Families First Classroom

Every Wednesday 11:00 AM-5:00 PM

Build something amazing with our giant blue blocks.

### Community Connections

Location: Families First Learning Lab Classrooms

Every Friday 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Community Connections is a program consisting of mini-interactive exhibits for children. These exhibits inspire hands-on exploration and play while focusing on building empathy & kindness, social-emotional development, cultural expression, and imaginative & dramatic play.

### Afternoon Art with a Purpose

Location: Art Box

Thu 1/26/2023 3:00-5:00 PM

Thu 2/23/2023 3:00-5:00 PM

Tue 2/28/2023 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

A program that gives children an opportunity to get creative while serving our community!

### Montana Art Class

Location: Art Box

Thu 12/8/2022 3:00-5:00 PM

Thu 1/12/2023 3:00-5:00 PM

Thu 2/9/2023 3:00-5:00 PM

Create art inspired by our beautiful state and local artists. Open to kids of all ages.

### Kids Cooking Class

Location: Demo Kitchen

Wed 12/14/2022 4:00-5:00 PM

Wed 1/18/2023 4:00-5:00 PM

Wed 2/15/2023 4:00-5:00 PM

Kids cooking class teaches participants how to use kitchen tools, read recipes and create delicious treats.

### Volunteer Day

Location: Families First Classroom

Wed 12/7/2022 12:00-1:00 PM

Wed 12/7/2022 5:00-6:00 PM

Families First is looking for volunteers to create holiday break activities for kiddos in our community.

### Parenting Consultation Drop-In Day

Location: Families First Learning Lab

Thu 12/8/2022 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Thu 2/9/2023 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Thu 1/12/2023 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Families First's consultation program for parents and families that was developed by John Sommers-Flanagan. The foundation of our approach stems from the idea that all parents love their children. Our goal is to give families from any background access to practical help with any family issue in a confidential, solution-focused setting. In a 20-30 minutes in a free consultation, we'll discuss your personal goals, areas of support, and the best route for future consultations.

### Dads & Dialogues

Location: Families First Learning Lab Classroom

Thu 12/8/2022 6:00-7:30 PM

Wed 12/14/2022 6:00-7:30 PM

Wed 1/11/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

Wed 1/18/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

Wed 1/25/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

Wed 2/1/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

Wed 2/22/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

The goal of this five week workshop is to strengthen families by enhancing parent wellness and knowledge of child development. We'll explore the experiences related to being a dad and fatherhood issues. Dinner and child-care provided. Learn more or register at [www.familiesfirstmt.org](http://www.familiesfirstmt.org) or email Dylan at [Dylan@FamiliesFirstMT.org](mailto:Dylan@FamiliesFirstMT.org)

### Family Night

Location: Imaginarium

Tue 1/24/2023 5:30-7:30 PM

Families First will guide families through a night of parent-led activities to promote spending time together and the expertise of the parent.



### Research Studies + Activities

Location: UM Living Lab

Sundays 12:00-5:00 PM

Mondays 3:00-6:00 PM

Wednesday - Saturday 3:00-6:00 PM

(Please note: the Living Lab will be closed Dec 16-Jan 15)

Children (3+) can participate in fun, brief, child-friendly research activities. Participants receive a small thank you gift. Walk in or sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/mindslab>.

### Dive into Deep Ocean Currents

Location: UM Living Lab

Sat 2/25/2023 1:00-2:00 PM

Corinne Bassin from Schmidt Ocean Institute will share about the organization's ocean explorations aboard the research vessel Falkor, and engage older children and teens in a hands-on activity on deep ocean currents.

## **Life in the Land:**

### **Amskapi Piikani, Blackfoot Nation**

Location: MCAT Studio  
Sat 12/10/2022 12:00-12:45 PM

"Life in the Land" is a documentary series exploring the complexities of Montana's land, water, communities, and collaborations. Hear perspectives from Montana's rural and tribal community leaders, ranchers, and biologists on how we can have healthy relationships with the land and each other, and promote resilient ecosystems.

### **Life in the Land : The Seeley-Swan Region**

Location: MCAT Studio  
Sat 1/14/2023 12:00-12:45 PM

The Seeley-Swan Region is a thriving network of streams, lakes, and forested peaks, and home to people who are guided by the land. Learn from Seeley-Swan residents and members of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes about connecting local communities to their environments and stewardship of forested ecosystems.

### **Life in the Land: The Big Hole Valley**

Location: MCAT Studio  
Sat 2/11/2023 12:00-12:45 PM

The Big Hole features intact grasslands with a diversity of wildlife and waterways that are key trout habitat. The Big Hole River also runs through working rangelands and tightknit communities. Learn how people representing diverse needs within this watershed are coming together and finding ways to thrive and coexistence.

## **Learn to Video Edit**

Location: MCAT  
Every Monday 2:00-4:00 PM

Learn how to edit video using a variety of platforms, including Final Cut Pro for Apple, or Adobe Premiere or DaVinci for PC. Call MCAT instructors at 542-6228 to arrange, or sign-up on line at [mcat.org](http://mcat.org).

## **Video Cameras**

Location: MCAT  
Every Tuesday 2:00-4:00 PM

Learn about video cameras for check-out and find out which camera type might be right for your project. MCAT offers lesson in camcorders and still cameras. Lessons are required before checking out cameras & accessories such as lights and microphones. Register by visiting [mcat.org](http://mcat.org) or call MCAT Media Instructors at 542-6228.

## **Introduction to Podcasting**

Location: MCAT  
Every Tuesday 5:30-6:30 PM

Learn to use MCAT's podcasting equipment featuring headphones and microphones for up to four participants. A smart phone connection makes doing phone interviews clear and easy. Find out more by calling MCAT instructors at (406)542-6228.

## **Learn MCAT's 3 Camera Studio**

Location: MCAT  
Every Wednesday 5:30-6:30 PM

Ever wanted to do a talk show or create special effects in a studio? Learn MCAT's studio with 3 cameras, special effects switcher, and adjustable lighting. For more info or to arrange a custom workshop for a group, call MCAT media instructors at (406)542-6228.

## **Virtual Reality Tour**

Location: MCAT Studio Room 120  
Every Friday 4:00-5:30 PM

Drop into MCAT's media studio to experience the world of Virtual Reality. MCAT offers games and experiences with our VR headset.

## **Blender Animation Software Weekend Workshop**

Location: MCAT Studio  
Sat 1/14/2023 & Sun 1/15/2023 1:00-3:00 PM (Series 1)  
Sat 2/11/2023 & Sun 2/12/2023 1:00-3:00 PM (Series 2)

This free four-hour workshop, offered in two parts over two days, is suitable for adults and will give participants an overview of the versatile and powerful 3D animation software, Blender. Workshop provides basic knowledge for navigating on-line tutorials.

## **MCAT Tour & Training**

Location: MCAT  
Every Saturday 10:00-10:45 AM

Learn about all the media resources MCAT offers for public use. Tour includes the studio, computer editing, podcast rooms, and cameras for check-out. For more info, or to arrange a custom tour for groups, call MCAT media instructors at (406)542-6228.

## **Music Sunday at MCAT Studios**

Location: MCAT  
Sun 12/4/2022 1:00-3:00 PM  
Sun 12/11/2022 1:00-3:00 PM  
Sun 12/18/2022 1:00-3:00 PM

Record yourself and/or friends playing music in MCAT's studio. We'll have lights and cameras, you supply the action. Electric piano and several microphones available. Register online at [mcat.org](http://mcat.org) or call the MCAT Media Instructors at 542-6228.

## **MCAT: Community Radio DJ Auditions**

Location: MCAT  
Sun 12/4/2022 2:00-4:00 PM  
Sun 12/11/2022 2:00-4:00 PM  
Sun 12/18/2022 2:00-4:00 PM

Missoula Community Radio (KFGM, 101.5 FM) is a volunteer based radio station housed at MCAT. If you'd like to have your own radio show, consider making an audition demo with help from MCAT staff. You can spin records, produce a talk show, or make your own podcast. Contact Missoula Community Radio at 541-8965 or visit their website at: <https://www.1015kfgm.org>.



# Winter News



## Missoula Reads 2023

Our 7th annual reading challenge begins January 3. Read 50 books this year and win a prize! Pick up new category list on Level Three. (Completed 2022 reading logs are due by 12/30/2022 6:00 PM to be eligible for prizes.)



## 15th Annual Missoula Writes

Open for contest submissions:  
1/9/2023 – 2/19/2023.

Do you have the write stuff? MPL's annual writing contest accepts fiction, non-fiction, and poetry submissions Jan 9 through Feb

19. Prizes will be awarded for the top three submissions in each category and in four age groups: 8-10, 11-14, 15-18 and 19+.

This year you can workshop your entry with local authors prior to submission. Contest rules, details, and submission link will be available January 9.

<https://missoulapubliclibrary.submittable.com/submit>



## Wednesdays with the Mayor

Location: Cooper Room B  
Wed 1/25/2023 6:00-7:30 PM  
Wed 2/22/2023 6:00-7:30 PM

Join Mayor Jordan Hess for discussions of current affairs and City governance. All are welcome! Broadcast journalist Dennis Bragg moderates. Watch the live-stream or view meetings later on MCAT's Facebook or YouTube. During the meeting you may also phone in questions at 552-6002. Visit the City's website closer to the event to see the topic of the month: <https://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/2875/Wednesdays-with-the-Mayor>



## Red Cross Blood Drive

Location: Cooper Room A/B  
Tue 1/24/2023 11:00 AM-4:00 PM

Together, we can save lives. Make an appointment at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code missoulalibrary or zip code 59801, or call (800) 448-3543. Face masks not required when entering the donation space; donors may wear one for any reason. COVID-19 vaccinated, symptom-free individuals may donate with no deferral time.



## NEW! Podcast Studio at the Seeley Lake Branch Library

Location: Seeley Lake Community Library  
Mon 12/5/2022 4:00-6:00 PM Open House  
Mon 1/9/2023 4:00-6:00 PM  
Mon 2/6/2023 4:00-6:00 PM

MCAT recently bought a podcasting machine for the Seeley Community library, and community members are invited to stop by and learn about podcasting techniques. The machine can accommodate up to 4 in-person participants and includes a blue tooth connection for crystal clear phone interviews.



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### Downtown Hours

Monday 9AM-8PM  
Tuesday 9AM-8PM  
Wednesday 9AM-8PM  
Thursday 10AM-6PM  
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Sunday 12PM-5PM

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