



NOVEMBER GUIDE

SPARK CURIOSITY. MAKE CONNECTIONS. THRIVE TOGETHER.

WINNING THE EARTHQUAKE

HOW JEANNETTE RANKIN DEFIED ALL ODDS TO BECOME THE FIRST WOMAN IN CONGRESS

Author Event and Q&A

Thu 11/6 5-6:30 PM - Cooper Room

Discover the inspiring story of Jeannette Rankin's groundbreaking journey from Montana to Washington, D.C., with author Lorissa Rinehart. The evening includes an author reading, Q&A, and book signing with Fact and Fiction. Light refreshments provided.



Jeannette Rankin
FOUNDATION
Transforming Futures Through Education

GAME DAY @ MPL

Sat 11/1 10 AM-5 PM - Cooper Room



Celebrate gaming in libraries during our International Games Month Game Day event! We'll provide video games, tabletop games, and snacks. Play Mario Kart World or Super Smash Bros and borrow a game from our new Nintendo Switch game collection! Check out our roleplaying game collection with new Dungeons and Dragons sourcebooks. Board games from the library's collection will be available for free play or checkout, and bring your own tabletop favorites to share. Game on!

FAMILY HISTORY WRITING CONTEST

Submissions Accepted 11/1/2025-3/1/2026

Submit your genealogical writing about anyone connected to Montana's past and win cash prizes during the third annual Family History Writing Contest! For full contest details, rules, and submission guidelines visit:

<https://tinyurl.com/FamilyHistoryWC>



CRAFT SWAP

Sun 11/2 12-3 PM
Cooper Room B

SWAP
SHARE AND
EXPLORE

100 YEARS

ONE WOMAN'S FIGHT FOR JUSTICE

DOCUMENTARY SHOWING

Mon 11/4 6:15 - 7:30 PM - Cooper Room A

MPL is proud to partner with the Elouise Cobell Land and Culture Institute to present 100 Years, an award-winning documentary about Elouise Cobell, the Native American activist who took on the U.S. government and won. Her groundbreaking class action lawsuit secured a \$3.4 billion settlement for 300,000 Native Americans whose mineral-rich lands were mismanaged by the Department of the Interior. <https://www.umd.edu/cobell-institute/>

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

YMCA Yoga at the library!

Thursdays 12-1 PM - Cooper Room A

This class will focus on balance, strength, and flexibility. Bring a mat or use one of ours. A liability waiver is required and can be downloaded here: <https://tinyurl.com/2994wjww>

Get Lit! Program Series: PainSavvy Health Literacy

Sun 11/2 1-1:50 PM - Blackfoot Room

The first Sunday of the month come to this health literacy class to learn about strategies for preventing and overcoming persistent pain and increase movement.

Death Café at MPL

Thu 11/20 12-2 PM - Blackfoot Room

Death Cafe is a warm, welcoming space to share drinks and open conversations about life and death. Hestia Advantage will host this thoughtful, informal chat.

Resource Access Day

Wed 11/12 11 AM-2 PM - Level Four

RAD offers free drop-in resources and lunch in a welcoming space. Services include housing support, legal help, vaccinations and immunizations, medical and mental health care, haircuts, and more!



PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH

Missoula Scholastic Chess Club at MPL

Thu 11/6 3:30-5 PM - Imaginarium

Join the Missoula Chess Club! Students from grades 2-12 are welcome to play and learn new moves!



College Application Workshop

Sat 11/8 11 AM-12 PM - Cooper Room B

College Admissions expert Karen Fong Donoghue will walk students and their parents through the process. Discuss essays, learn important deadlines, and receive tips to improve your odds in applying to your schools of choice.

Teen Tuesdays

Tuesdays 3:30-6 PM - Art Box

Missoula Teens can drop in after school to create, connect, and have fun with arts, crafts, games, cooking, and more.

Teen Library Community (TLC)

Thursdays 2:30-6 PM - Art Box

Teens in grades 7-12 are invited every Thursday after school to connect, collaborate, and create meaningful ways to grow and make our community a better place.

Yoga For Kids

Sat 11/22 10-11:30 AM - Imaginarium

Kids ages 4-8 can enjoy yoga led by a certified instructor, followed by a craft or mindfulness activity. Mats are provided. Space is limited to 12, so arrive early.



A SPECIALLY SUITED STORY TIME

Story Time

Saturdays 10:30-11:30 AM - Imaginarium

Story Time is for children ages 3 and older and their caregivers. Kids can enjoy stories, songs, and fun activities that spark imagination, build a love of reading.

Story Time for Diverse Abilities

Wed 11/5 & 11/19 1-2 PM - Art Box

Youth Services librarians read a selection of engaging stories geared toward teens through adults with cognitive or other disabilities. Expect plenty of relaxed, light-hearted conversation and connection throughout the program.



Sensory Story Time

Sat 11/15 11:30 AM-12:30 PM - Imaginarium

An interactive storytelling approach that supports individuals with autism or sensory processing challenges. This story time offers the opportunity to move and interact with restorative materials. Limited to 10 participants.

LET'S READ TOGETHER!

2nd Wednesday Book Group

Wed 11/12 6:30-7:30 PM - Blackfoot Room & Online

Matrix by Lauren Groff

Potomac Branch Library Book Club

Wed 11/12 6:30-7:30 PM - Potomac Branch Library

The Only Good Indians: A Novel by Stephen Graham Jones

3rd Wednesday Book Group

Wed 11/19 6:30-7:30 PM - Blackfoot Room

The Winter Soldier by Daniel Mason



LEARN SOMETHING NEW

How to Install Linux Mint Over Windows 10

Fri 10/31 & Sat 11/1 9:45-11:45 AM - Blackfoot Room

If you're ready to replace Windows 10 with Linux on your PC, this class is for you. MakerSpace staff will walk you through how they installed and configured the Linux Mint operating system on their laptops, using a simple easy to follow process.



Linux User Group

Thu 11/5 12-2 PM - Level One

These monthly Linux User Group meetings support both new and experienced users through shared research, tips, and discussions. Learn to install, explore, and confidently use Linux and its apps for everyday tasks or just for fun.

Windows User Group

Wed 11/19 2:30-4:30 PM - Ellingson Room

Want to be more confident using Microsoft Windows? Then join us in these two-hour Microsoft Windows User Group sessions held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

4HistoryBuffs: Seeking Hope for Pain Relief in Montana's Radon Health Mines with Jen Elison

Tue 11/25 6-8 PM - Cooper Room

This month's talk explores Montana's rich mining history, from the gold, silver, and copper booms that shaped the state to the Cold War era search for uranium in abandoned mines. From that history emerged an unexpected discovery in 1952 of a unique and controversial approach to pain relief that continues to spark curiosity and offer hope to those seeking alternative treatments today.

SPICE IT UP! LIBRARY SPICE CLUB

Wed 11/5 - Demonstration Kitchen

Pick up a free Spice It Up! kit courtesy of the Good Food Store. Each kit includes a featured spice, background and traditional uses of the spice, and a low-cost recipe. This month's spice is Rubbed Sage.



SCAN FOR NOVEMBER'S BOOKMOBILE LOCATIONS



LIBRARY CLOSED

NOVEMBER 11 FOR VETERANS DAY
NOVEMBER 27 & 28 FOR THANKSGIVING