FREE CLASSES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES
Juanita Gray Community Service Awards Ceremony  
Saturday, Feb. 1, 1:30-3:30 p.m.  
@ Blair-Caldwell  
The Denver Public Library honors African American community leaders at the annual Juanita Gray Community Service Awards and biennial Blacks in Colorado Hall of Fame induction. Join us as we honor men, women and youth who make outstanding contributions to the Denver Metro area or who have accomplished a professional goal in their field. Light refreshments to follow.

Silent Film Series: Pioneers of African American Cinema:  
Oscar Micheaux  
@ The Preservery, 3040 Blake St.  
Within Our Gates  
Wednesday, Feb. 5, 7-9 p.m.  
The Symbol of the Unconquered  
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 7-9 p.m.  
Body and Soul  
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 7-9 p.m.  
In the early years of cinema, at a time when bigotry and racism in films like Birth of a Nation went unchallenged, Oscar Micheaux made films that called out this racism. These films are a testament to Micheux’s commitment and his values. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopup

Rebels Remembered  
@ Park Hill  
My Neighborhood School  
Wednesday, Feb. 5, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
To Earn an Income  
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
The history of the Civil Rights movement in Colorado is captured in riveting detail by director Dick Alweis in this documentary series. The legendary leaders of CORE, the Congress of Racial Equality, featured prominently in the film and shed light on the experiences of Denver residents. Discussion follows with director and activists featured in the film.

Active Minds: Civil Rights Act  
Saturday, Feb. 8, 1-2 p.m.  
@ Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room  
Active Minds is the first nonprofit in the country dedicated to the mental health needs of the African American community. We’ll examine the act over 50 years later and evaluate its impact on civil rights today.

Growing Rich: Madam C. J. Walker a Self-Made Millionaire  
Saturday, Feb. 15, 2-3 p.m.  
@ Gonzales  
Historical reenactor Lonnie McCabe will bring the story of Madam C.J. Walker to life as we relive her time in Denver during 1905. This story of tenacity, strength and determination of one of America’s first self-made female millionaires will inspire and delight.

Thunder Soul  
Sunday, Feb. 9, 1:30-4:30 p.m.  
@ Central Library, Conference Center  
In this film, alumni from Houston’s storied Kashmere High School Stage Band return home after 35 years to play a tribute concert for their beloved band leader who turned the struggling jazz band into a world-class funk powerhouse in the early 1970s.

I Am Not Your Negro  
Thursday, Feb. 27, 7-9 p.m.  
@ RiNo Art District, Redline Contemporary Art Center, 2350 Arapahoe St.  
Special showing of the film I Am Not Your Negro, based on the writing of James Baldwin. Hosted by Jameka Lewis, Senior Librarian at the Blair-Caldwell African American Research Library. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopup

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Author Visits and Writing

Hard Times Writing Workshop
with Lighthouse Writers Workshop
Tuesdays, 3-5 p.m. @ Central Library,
ask at Floor 1 info desk for room location
Put challenging life experiences into words. A seasoned instructor will provide prompts and then positive feedback for those who choose to share. No experience required; writing materials provided.

Grit, Success and Encyclopaedia Britannica’s 250th Anniversary
Friday, Feb. 7, 2-3 p.m. @ Eugene Field
Saturday, Feb. 8, 2:30-3:30 p.m. @ Park Hill
Encyclopaedia Britannica Executive Editor and author Theodore Pappas takes you on a journey through Britannica’s history. See how perseverance in the face of great change and adversity is the key to success for companies like Britannica and for individuals. His new book, True Grit: Classic Tales of Perseverance, will be available for sale and signing.

Write On! With Jana Clark
Saturday, Feb. 15, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
@ Central Library, Floor 1,
Burnham Hoyt Book Club Room
This month’s topic: Who has a story and where can I find them? Be led through a series of thinking and writing exercises designed to develop skills and inspire creativity. Previous attendance is not required.

Swing Dance Classes
Saturday, Feb. 15 @ Park Hill
Celebrate the 1920s by dancing! Dance to big band jazz music and learn how to move like the flappers did.

Family | 2-2:30 p.m.
Ideal for ages 9-12 with an adult.

Teen & Adult | 2:45-3:15 p.m.
Ideal for adults and teens ages 12 and up.

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What Black History Month Means to Me

We asked several Denver Public Library employees “What Black History Month means to me?” Their responses below have been edited for space.

Devin Cochran, Social Media Coordinator
Black History Month to me is a time to reflect. A time to regroup and remind ourselves why we take pride in being Black because it is more than just the color of our skin. The Black experience, is something that is celebrated every day of the year, but Black history month is a time of remembrance and to remind ourselves there is still work that needs to be done.

Leslie Williams, Senior Librarian, Pauline Robinson Branch Library
What Black history month means to me is it’s a formal recognition and acknowledgement of the contribution African American’s have had on this society. I don’t believe BHM is just one month of a year, but 24/7, 365 for me and I love to celebrate our history as such.

Ozy Aloziem, Project Coordinator
Black history is rich and expansive. It is equal parts heartbreaking, inspiring and humbling. It is a story of sacrifice, survival and triumph. Black history month then becomes for me an opportunity to reflect on the legacies I’m so blessed to be a part of and a chance to honor the brilliant people that have come before me.

James Davis, Senior Librarian, Bear Valley Branch Library
Black history month means more than a month to me. However it reflects the struggle of blacks in this country who have historically been underrepresented and undervalued in the development of American history. So we salute the vision of Carter G. Woodson who brought the acknowledgement and appreciation of the contributions of blacks on a national level. The month we set aside is a communion to the struggle and sacrifice blacks have made to create America.

Book Clubs

Find all your favorite book clubs in the online events calendar at denverlibrary.org/bookclubs

Business and Job Search

RiNo Made Salons: The Business of Being Creative
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m. @ RiNo Art District, Converge Denver, 3327 Brighton Blvd.
RiNo Made is the brainchild of cool cats at RiNo Art District HQ, a store dedicated to showcasing the work of artists and artisans who live and work in the RiNo area. Add skills that you might not have learned in art school - the techniques of making art into a business. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

Search Engine Optimization Basics
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 4-5:30 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom
Learn about Search Engine Optimization (SEO). Debunk SEO myths and learn basic tools and tips to help improve your website’s online presence.
Play and Explore
Wednesdays, 3-4 p.m. @ Ross-Cherry Creek
Unstructured play and social time for babies and their caregivers. Enjoy books, music and developmentally appropriate toys. Ideal for ages birth-5 with an adult.

LEGO® Club
Wednesdays, 3:30-5 p.m. @ Eugene Field
Create building projects with LEGO®. You bring the imagination and we’ll provide the building bricks. Ideal for ages 5-13 with an adult.

Saturday Cartoon Hour
Saturdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. @ Hampden
Join us Saturday mornings for a selection of family-friendly cartoons and cereal.

Talking With Kids About Race: Current Events & Children’s Media
Saturday, Feb. 22, 2-4 p.m. @ Sam Gary

Tinker Studio Open Hours
Saturdays, 10 a.m-4 p.m. & Sundays, 1-4 p.m. @ Central Library, Children’s Library
Hands-on learning and making in an unstructured environment. Children and families will explore new materials and create together. Ideal for ages 3-12.

Clay Alien Spaceships
Saturday, Feb. 1, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Bear Valley
Design a spaceship with an alien made out of clay. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Valentine Boxes
Saturday, Feb. 29, 2-3 p.m. @ Green Valley Ranch
Use paint and sequins to design a heart-shaped box. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Art in Culture: Storytelling Quilts
Fridays, Feb. 7, 21, 28, 4-5 p.m. @ Montbello
Learn to make your very own quilt. Taking inspiration from artist Faith Ringgold, we will be creating a meaningful designed quilt sheet and learn the fundamentals of quilt making. Ideal for ages 5-10.

Games for Kids
Monday, Feb. 10, 4:15-5:15 p.m. @ Hampden
Use Nintendo Switch and laptops to play Minecraft and other games. Ideal for ages 6-12.

Hearts ’n’ Art
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Bear Valley
Make fun love-themed crafts for Valentine's Day. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Pirate Ship
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Ford-Warren
Aaargh, matey! Design a pirate ship to take home. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Valentine’s Day Party
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Woodbury
Valentine’s Day crafts, face painting and snacks! Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.
Preschool STEM
Friday, Feb. 14, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
@ Virginia Village
Explore simple STEM concepts for preschoolers.
Ideal for ages 3-5 with an adult.

Gumball Machine
Saturday, Feb. 15, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
@ Bear Valley
Saturday, Feb. 22, 3-4 p.m. @ Hadley
Construct a mini do-it-yourself gumball machine. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Kids Create
Saturday, Feb. 15, 2-3 p.m. @ Hampden
Listen to a favorite children’s book, talk about the illustrations, then create your own masterpiece. Dress for mess.
Ideal for ages 3-12.

Mardi Gras Masks
Tuesday, Feb. 18, 4-5 p.m. @ Montbello
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Woodbury
Thursday, Feb. 20, 4-5 p.m. @ Smiley
Monday, Feb. 24, 4:15-5:15 p.m. @ Hampden
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Ford-Warren
Get ready for Mardi Gras with a fun mask to embellish. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Awesome Art Adventures
Friday, Feb. 21, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
@ Virginia Village
Read a book and create some art. Learn about color and experiment with different textures using paints, paper, clay and more. Dress for mess. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Bunny Box
Monday, Feb. 24, 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
@ Green Valley Ranch
Create a cute home for a tiny bunny. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Name Necklaces
Wednesday, Feb. 26, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
@ Woodbury
Make a colorful necklace with letter beads and washers. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Food Lover’s Book Club: Oysters & Seafood
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 6-7 p.m.
@ Ross-Cherry Creek
"Oysters are like children; you have to take care of them and respect their intrinsic differences," chef Renee Erickson writes in her seafood-inspired cookbook A Boat, A Whale, And A Walrus. Join food writer Amanda Faison and chef-owner Jennifer Jasinski of Crafted Concepts for a discussion about Erickson’s book, oysters and all that the sea provides. Bonus: Samples.

Healthy Cooking with the Plant-Based Kitchenista
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Woodbury
Chef Kelley Williamson designed a whole foods and veggie friendly cooking class with your health in mind. We’ll learn to make delicious plant-based tacos and Spanish rice that support your healthy lifestyle and tame appetite demons.

Vegan Instant Pot 101
Saturday, Feb. 29, 1-2 p.m. @ Smiley
Get that Instant Pot (or any other electric multi- or pressure cooker) out of the box and learn the basics of pressure cooking with vegan chef and cookbook author, JL Fields.

Coffee Connections
Monday, Feb. 3, 12-1:30 p.m.
@ Ross-Broadway
Wednesday, Feb. 26, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
@ Central Library, Floor 4, Lounge
Library customers experiencing homelessness and customers interested in social issues are invited to meet library staff for coffee, doughnuts and conversation.

I Am Denver Storytelling Lab
Saturday, Feb. 15, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
@ Blair-Caldwell
Join the City and County of Denver’s Office of Storytelling for a free story-inspiring workshop and the chance to record your social injustice story in photo and video. To register, email iamdenver@denvergov.org or call 720-913-8496. Visit iamdenver.org for more information.

Marijuana 101
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2-3:30 p.m.
@ Park Hill
Recreational marijuana has been legal for 5 years in Denver. Learn from an expert from the Office of Marijuana Policy about how it all works, the lessons learned, and future challenges.

The Big Count: The Politics of the 2020 Census
Thursday, Feb. 20, 3-4 p.m. @ Ross-University Hills
Take a closer look at the current and historic politics of the Census with Dr. Robert Preuhs of MSU, from who to count, what to ask and why it is important to participate.

DIY
Snarky Cross Stitch
Sunday, Feb. 2, 1-3 p.m. @ Schlessman Family
Ever feel the need to stab something repeatedly? Try snarky cross stitch, where sarcasm meets handicraft. Bring your own project or choose from a selection of patterns. Materials provided.

Dr. Sketchy’s Anti-Art School: Psychedelic 60s with Honey Touché
Sunday, Feb. 2, 5-7 p.m. @ RiNo Art District, Millers & Rossi, 3542 Walnut Street
Hosted by Denver’s beloved burlesque queen, Vivienne Vavoom, this fun evening has everything: costumed models, fun themes, cash bar, great menu items, art-lovin’ people. In this month’s installment, model Honey Touché takes a dip into the psychedelic ‘60s. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

Knitting Club
Mondays, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Schlessman Family
Lessons, movies, charity work, and, of course, knitting.

Heart String Art
Tuesday, Feb. 4, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Woodbury
Use a needle and thread on cardstock to create beautiful heart-shaped string art. Creations will be framed so they are perfect for gifting or festive decor.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

The New Faces of Representation
Friday, Feb. 14, 2-3 p.m. @ Eugene Field
As Colorado and the nation diversify demographically, our legislative bodies reach unprecedented racial/ethnic and gender diversity. This has profound effects on the representation of group interests, political parties and the legislative process. Dr. Robert Preuhs of MSU shares what political scientists have discovered about what the new faces of representation mean for American politics.

Yoga for American Politics
Thursday, Feb. 20, 4-5:30 p.m. @ Schlessman Family
Yoga to stretch the mind and body. Dr. Robert Preuhs of MSU from who to count, what to ask and why it is important to participate.

Cooking

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Glass Painting
Champagne Flutes
Tuesday, Feb. 4, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Ross Cherry Creek

Wine Glass or Mug
Saturday, Feb. 8, 2 p.m. @ Bear Valley
Time for a toast with your own painted glass. Materials provided.

Free Tax Help Colorado DIY
Fridays in Feb., 10a.m.-2 p.m. @ Blair-Caldwell
Prepare and file your own return with help from an IRS-certified volunteer. Be sure to bring your income tax documents, your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) from last year, and a bank routing and account number for direct deposit.

Buttons and Beer
Friday, Feb. 7, 6-9 p.m. @ ReCreative Denver, 765 Santa Fe Drive
Stop by ReCreative Denver on First Friday and visit the library table to make buttons. Bring your own image or use one from our eclectic selection. Now with bottle opener keychains.

Light Up Valentines
Saturday, Feb. 8, 11:30a.m.-1 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, ideaLAB
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Hampden
We’ll use copper tape, LEDs, and coin batteries, along with some fancy paper-folding skills, to make a lit-up papercraft valentine.

Candle Making
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 6-7 p.m. @ Montbello
Light up your life with your own candle creation. Materials provided.

Knitting Circle
Thursdays, Feb. 13 & 27, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Bring your knitting or crochet project and join other crafters in conversation around the Sam Gary fireplace.

Family Night - Watercolor Decor
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ Hadley
Learn wet-on-wet watercolor technique combined with foil letters made on the cutting machine to create lovely framed pieces of decor. All materials provided. Ideal for ages 8 and up with an adult.

Origami Stars and Sake Tasting
Tuesday, Feb. 18, 6-8 p.m. @ RiNo Art District, Colorado Sake Co., 3559 Larimer St.
Make gorgeous five-pointed stars with origami expert, Nancy Kiyota. Colorado Sake Co. will serve up their best sakes. All origami supplies provided; bring your yen and I.D.

Needle in a Bookstack
Saturday, Feb. 22, 2-3:30 p.m. @ Park Hill
Practice your needlecraft with friends & neighbors. Drop in for moderate help and instruction in knitting, crocheting, embroidery and hand-stitched craft projects. Please bring your own project and supplies.

Random Acts of Kindness day happens on February 17 this year, and we’re celebrating all month. Practicing kindness is easy and habit-forming, and is available to everyone. Whether it’s a kind word to a friend or stranger, taking some time for self-care, or attending one of these fun kindness programs, we hope you feel inspired to spread kindness all year long.

Snail Mail Social
Saturday, Feb. 1, 2-3 p.m. @ Virginia Village
Celebrate the written word by crafting letters, envelopes and postcards. Explore DIY mediums including collage, stamping and gilding, and use your new skills to make a special Random Acts of Kindness card. Ideal for adults.

Kindness Club Community Art Project
Wednesdays in Feb., 4-5 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Our intergenerational, all-ages club will celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Day with a collaborative community art project every Wednesday during February. Let’s work together to make a mosaic project that will celebrate inclusivity, creativity, learning and fun. Funded by the NextFifty Initiative.

Kindness Kit
Tuesday, Feb. 18, 4-5 p.m. @ Virginia Village
Celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Month by creating a kit that promotes kindness, using various DIY techniques like button making, zine crafting and patch printing. Ideal for ages 5-12.

**GENEALOGY**
Find additional Genealogy classes and events in the online events calendar at [denverlibrary.org/events](http://denverlibrary.org/events)

Beginning Genealogy
Saturday, Feb. 8, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Conference Room
Learn to think genealogically through exploration of census data using Ancestry Library Edition, pedigree charts, family group sheets and other major record groups. Individual assistance following class.

Lunar New Year
Saturday, Feb. 1, 2-3 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum
Monday, Feb. 3, 6-7 p.m. @ Gonzales
Saturday, Feb. 8, 1-2 p.m. @ Hadley
Lunar New Year, or the Spring Festival, starts on Jan. 25, 2020. Join us for a traditional Lion Dance and other fun activities to celebrate the New Year.

Light Up Valentines
Saturday, Feb. 8, 1-2 p.m. @ Ross Cherry Creek
Colorado Genealogical Society
Saturday, Feb. 15, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
@ Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room
Explore your family history. Discover research tools that will help you find your ancestors anywhere in the world.

Black Genealogy Search Group: Writers’ Group
Saturday, Feb. 22, 12:30-1:30 p.m.
@ Blair-Caldwell
The writers’ group was created to help attendees become better at capturing, organizing and compiling information that can be shared with different audiences.

MORE FUN STUFF

HISTORY

Club Kubaba
Sunday, Feb. 2, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
@ Mad Beans, 1200 Acoma Plaza
Inspired by the Mesopotamian tavern keeper and ruler, Club Kubaba highlights history reads from around the world. Share what you’re reading and learn about new history topics.

Colorado’s Carlino Brothers: A Bootlegging Empire
Sunday, Feb. 9, 2-4 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room
Author Sam Carlino will discuss his new book, Colorado’s Carlino Brothers: A Bootlegging Empire, telling the true story of a Colorado family who rose to power in the late 1920s and suffered a violent downfall.

Active Minds: New Orleans: Biography of a City
Thursday, Feb. 13, 1-2 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Join Active Minds for a virtual visit to New Orleans, which is famous for its cuisine, French Creole influence, jazz music and Mardi Gras. We’ll explore the colorful history, culture and people of the “Big Easy.”

Brewing Company
Thursday, Feb. 6, 6-8 p.m.
@ Novel Strand Brewing Company
Silent Book Club: Novel Strand
Featuring: Betrayal at House on the Hill, Boss Monster, Disney Villainous and Scrabble.

Colorado’s Carlino Brothers: A Bootlegging Empire
Saturday, Feb. 1, 12-1:30 p.m.
@ Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Conference Room
Put on your glad rags (clothes for a special occasion) and join this progressive party visiting Denver’s speakeasy clubs. Our tour guide is performer Vieux Carré and she’ll take you on a fun journey with new friends in new places! Learn more and register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

Your New Favorite Game
Saturday, Feb. 8, 1-4 p.m. @ Eugene Field
Play a variety of easy-to-learn, partially cooperative, strategy-based games. Refreshments provided. For ages 7 and up. Featuring: Betrayal at House on the Hill, Boss Monster, Disney Villainous and Scrabble.

Trivia Night
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
@ Eugene Field
Have fun testing your knowledge of random facts while you enjoy refreshments, friendly competition and prizes. Play as a single or bring friends and compete as a team.

Winter of Reading Poetry Walk
Through Feb. 29 @ Cherry Creek North Shopping District
Enjoy poems in the windows of shops and businesses around Cherry Creek North. Read just one or read them all. Stop by the Ross-Cherry Creek Branch Library for a map.

How to Spot Fake News
Saturday, Feb. 1, 1-2:30 p.m.
@ Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Conference Room
Are you puzzled about identifying real news from fake news? Learn the tricks and tools reference librarians use to evaluate the credibility of news stories.

Silent Book Club: Novel Strand Brewing Company
Thursday, Feb. 6, 6-8 p.m.
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@ Novel Strand Brewing Company, 305 W 1st Ave.
A happy hour for introverts. The community of a book club without the homework. Bring a book you’re reading and enjoy the company of other book lovers, indulge in a drink or food, and leave with recommendations. Conversation not required.

Short Story Happy Hour
Fridays in Feb., 4-5 p.m.
@ Narrative, 222 Milwaukee Street
Short Story Happy Hour
Celebrate Winter of Reading with a no-preparation-required, short story book club and happy hour. We’ll have time to first read the story then dive into discussion after. Food and drink available for purchase.

Fact or Fiction Game
Saturday, Feb. 29, 2-3 p.m.
@ Ross-Cherry Creek
Are you a big fan of nonfiction or trivia? Test your knowledge and intuition as you compete for prizes in this fun game.
**Recycling, Composting and Trash in Denver**
Wednesday, Feb. 26, 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
@ Park Hill  
Learn about the city’s services for recycling, compost and trash collection, and programs and events with Denver Recycles. We’ll discuss how you can help promote best recycle and compost practices and reduce waste.

**New to You and Coffee Too!**
Friday, Feb. 28, 2-3 p.m. @ Eugene Field  
Drop in for a cup of coffee (or tea!), spend an hour with your friendly neighborhood librarians, and get great ideas for what to read, watch or listen to next.

**MOVIES & MUSIC:**

**NEREA the Fiddler**
Saturday, Feb. 1, 2-3 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 1, Movies & Music Room  
In her powerful interpretation of traditional and modern fiddle repertoire, NEREA shares music from around the world.

**Film Matinee: The Bookshop**
Saturday, Feb. 1, 2-4:30 p.m. @ Hampden  

**Live Music at Hadley**
Saturday, Feb. 8, 9a.m.-12 p.m. @ Hadley  
Live music perfect for the whole family.

**Love Between the Covers: A Look at the Billion Dollar Romance Fiction Industry**
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Woodbury  
This funny and inspiring film looks into the billion dollar industry and turns up trailblazers who push the discussion on gender, race, sexuality and diversity at the front lines of the biggest power shift in publishing.

**7th Annual Anti-Valentine’s Day Party: Harold and Maude**
Thursday, Feb. 13, 7-9 p.m. @ RiNo Art District, Modern Nomad, 2936 Larimer St.  
Celebrate the funny, weird, classic cult film, Harold and Maude. Enjoy refreshments, film screening, and see the home decor and design products curated by Modern Nomad. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopup

**Chamber Music Concert**
Saturday, Feb. 15, 2-3 p.m. @ Decker  
Get swept away by a wide range of classical works performed by amateur musicians from the Colorado Chamber Music Society.

**Sunday Showtime**
Sunday, Feb. 16, 2-3:30 p.m. @ Sam Gary  
Join us for a featured film. Call the branch for the title. This month’s genre will be documentary.

**Ukulele Workshop**
Saturday, Feb. 29, 2-3:30 p.m. @ Sam Gary  
Grab your ukulele or borrow one of ours. Learn to play from standard sheet music, ukulele tablature and chord charts all at once. Explore tips for buying, tuning and maintaining your ukulele. Ideal for ages 13 and up.

**Archaeological Institute Lecture:**  
**The Colorado Coalfield War Project**  
Saturday, Feb. 15, 2-3:30 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Conference Room  
Learn about the Colorado Coalfield War Archaeological Project - a study in the daily lives of miners and their families in the southern coalfields of Colorado during the early 20th century.

**Google Photos Basics**
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Ross-University Hills  
Explore and use Google Photos on a laptop to create albums, videos and collages and organize all your digital photos.

**Smartphone Photography for Beginners**
Sunday, Feb. 23, 2-3:30 p.m. @ Schlessman Family  
Learn photography techniques associated with smartphones to take better photos, and how to upload photos to social media outlets. You’ll feel empowered to take and share images with co-workers, friends and family.

**OLDER ADULTS**

**Advance Directives Signing Party**
Saturday, Feb. 1, 1-2 p.m. @ Eugene Field  
Return with your Advance Directives paperwork from the Jan. workshop and celebrate with others who have also completed this important planning document. Get a signing witness or be a witness as others. Missed the workshop? Attend and learn more.
Memory Cafe
Five Points Jazz
Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1:30-3 p.m. @ Ford-Warren
Herbal Tea Blending
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 1:30-3 p.m. @ Schlessman Family
Sinking of the Titanic
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1:30-3 p.m. @ Schlessman Family

Memory Cafe is a social and educational group for people experiencing memory loss and their families and caregivers. It is a safe place to socialize, relax and learn without the fear of stigma. Each cafe has a program followed by socializing so that people can connect with others with shared experiences. We do not provide formal care or supervision.

Community Sing-Along
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Enjoy singing just for the fun of it with a live band, and with people of all ages — from birth to 125. If you have an instrument, feel free to bring it and jam along with the band. Funded by the NextFifty Initiative.

How to Choose a New Computer
Friday, Feb. 21, 2-3:30 p.m. @ Eugene Field
We’ll address common questions on how to choose a new computer, including operating systems and alternatives to the traditional computer, such as tablets. Presented by Senior Planet. Register at denverlibrary.org/event/how-choose-new-computer or call 720-865-0240 or visit the branch.

Online Health Resources 101
Thursday, Feb. 27, 1-2 p.m. @ Ross-University Hills
Overwhelmed by the amount of medical information online? Learn tips to evaluate medical sites and go over health-related databases you can access for free with your library card.

Feed Your Brain: Nutrition for Concentration and Focus
Thursday, Feb. 27, 6-7 p.m. @ Byers
Do you find it hard to concentrate or focus? Do you feel irritable or moody for no discernible reason? Are you absentminded or suffer from periodic brain fog? Learn the secrets of better brain health at any age.

Drumming Workshop for Older Adults
Friday, Feb. 28, 2-3 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum
Come each month on the final Friday for a program designed for those 50+. This month: We’ll learn some African drumming basics from Bob Hall, a seasoned professional.

Technology Classes @ Central Library
Attend free technology classes on everything from computer basics to building your own website. Visit denverlibrary.org/ctc for the class schedule and more information.

ideaLAB Open Lab
Go to denverlibrary.org/ideallab for dates and times @ Central Library, Gonzales, Hadley, Hampden, Montbello
During open lab, in our makerspace, you can try out hardware and software to create music, games, 3D designs, art and more. All ages.

Tech Help Appointments
@ Athmar, Bear Valley, Byers, Central Library, Decker, Eugene Field, Gonzales, Hadley, Hampden, Pauline Robinson, Ross-Broadway, Ross-Cherry Creek, Ross-University Hills, Sam Gary, Valdez-Perry, Westwood
Get personalized technology assistance and instruction on your own device or a public computer. Call your branch library to schedule your appointment.

Drop In Tech Help
Mondays, 1-3 p.m. @ Hadley
Tuesdays, 12-1 p.m. @ Decker
Tuesdays, 2-3 p.m. @ Gonzales
Wednesdays, 12-1 p.m. @ Blair-Caldwell, Schlessman Family
Thursdays, 12-1 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom
Fridays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Hampden
Saturdays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom

Learn how to use tech more effectively. Get help navigating the internet, email and social networks. Learn how to access ebooks on any device and get your phone and tablet questions answered.

In August 2019, Chicago-based rapper Noname launched “Noname’s Book Club” and we are excited to be one of their partner libraries. The book club selects two titles a month to discuss among an online and in-person community of readers to provide “reading materials for the homies.”

Noname has long been a reader and supporter of books. Her mother owned an Afrocentric Bookstore in Chicago when she was a child. Her goals for the book club are to highlight voices that may not be picked by other book clubs, to welcome all readers and to educate people on timely, tough social topics. Visit denverlibrary.org to learn how you can get involved.
eBooks Made Easy
Tuesday, Feb. 4, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  
@ Ross-University Hills
Thursday, Feb. 20, 2-3 p.m.  
@ Pauline Robinson
Learn how to access library eBooks, audiobooks and video with your library card. Bring your own smartphone, tablet, or laptop, or explore the eBooks website using a library computer.

Viruses and Malware Basics
Wednesday, Feb. 5, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.  
@ Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom
Learn about malware threats and how to protect your computer or smartphone. Explore reliable free antivirus and anti-tracking programs.

Email Basics
Tuesday, Feb. 18, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  
@ Ross-University Hills
Learn how to send and receive email, navigate your inbox, and practice downloading and attaching files.

Google Calendar Basics
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  
@ Ross-University Hills
Learn how to use Google’s online calendar for effective time management, sharing event information, invites, notifications and more. Must have an email address to attend this class.

Laser Cut Stamps
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 6-7:30 p.m.  
@ Hampden, ideaLAB
Learn how to make a customer laser cut stamp with Inkscape, a free graphics program.

Teen STEAM
Tuesdays, 4-5:30 p.m.  
@ Byers
Come after school for some fun engineering and craft programs. Ideal for ages 11-18.

EZ Gaming
Wednesdays, 3-4:30 p.m.  
@ Byers
Play great video games on a Wii, N64 and PS4. Ideal for ages 6-18.

Denver Writes Teen Writing Club
Wednesdays, 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
@ Smiley
Love to write? Join Denver Writes to meet other writers, create and share your stories. Each week will focus on a different aspect of story development – drop in any time or attend each week! Ideal for ages 12-18.

4teens@4
Fridays, 4-5:30 p.m.  
@ Hampden
A fun program each week for teens. Ideal for ages 11-18.

Death Cafe
Thursday, Feb. 13, 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
@ Ford-Warren
Conversing openly about death is not always part of our everyday lives, but it’s a topic that affects everyone. Join this welcoming, directed discussion of death with no agenda, objectives or ideology.

Communication, Consent, and Co-creating Sustainable Relationship Dynamics 101
Saturday, Feb. 29, 2:30-3:30 p.m.  
@ Park Hill
How does consent work in real life? Why does communication play such an intimate role in our relationships? Learn about owning your needs and desires, while openly communicating your personal perspectives, fantasies and practices.

The Census is coming.
Participating in the 2020 Census will benefit your community, your family and the state of Colorado.

Denver Writes 11th Annual Valentines Poetry Workshop
Saturday, Feb. 1, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.  
@ Smiley
Saturday, Feb. 8, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.  
@ BookBar, 4280 Tennyson St.
Writers ages 7-15 will learn the art and craft of poetry while creating custom Valentine’s cards. On Feb. 8 customers can order custom cards at BookBar with tax-deductible donations going to Denver Writes. Register at DenverWrites.org or hello@denverwrites.org

Anime & Manga Club
Saturday, Feb. 15, 3-4:30 p.m.  
@ Athmar
A monthly club for anime and manga lovers. Meet new people, watch and read new series and try out different Japanese snacks!

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Want more recreational opportunities? denvergov.org/recreation

Walk With a Doc
Saturday, Feb. 1, 8-9 a.m.  
@ Crestmoor Park, 99 S. Monaco Pkwy.
Meet the Tennis Courts
Learn about important health topics, then walk and get fit, side-by-side with doctors, nurses and your friends. Free blood pressure checks, giveaways and refreshments. For more information, visit denver.walkwithadoc.org

Balance Class With Shae Patnoe
Mondays, Feb. 3, 10, 11, 2-3:30 p.m.  
@ Park Hill
Learn how to maintain balance and posture. With the right information and skills you’ll challenge your balance systems with the goal of preventing future falls. Come to one, or all for the most benefit.

If you need sign language or CART Services, contact SignLanguageServices@denvergov.org with at least a three (3) business day notice. For other public accommodation requests/concerns related to a disability, please contact DisabilityAccess@denvergov.org
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- Preschool 3-5 years old
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- Intergenerational Storytime

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1055 S. Tejon St. 80223

Bear Valley
720.865.0975
5171 W. Dartmouth Ave. 80236

Blair-Caldwell African American Research Library
720.865.2401
2401 Welton St. 80205

Byers
720.865.0160
675 Santa Fe Dr. 80204

Decker
720.865.0220
1501 S. Logan St. 80210

Eugene Field
720.865.0240
810 S. University Blvd. 80209

Ford-Warren
720.865.0920
2825 High St. 80205

Green Valley Ranch
720.865.0310
4856 N. Andes Ct. 80249

Hadley
720.865.0170
1890 S. Grove St. 80219

Hampden
720.865.0185
9755 E. Girard Ave. 80231

Montbello
720.865.0200
12955 Albrook Dr. 80239

Park Hill
720.865.0250
4705 Montview Blvd. 80207

Pauline Robinson
720.865.0290
5575 E. 33rd Ave. 80207

Rodolfo “Corky” Gonzales
720.865.2370
1498 Irving St. 80204

Ross-Barnum
720.865.0145
3570 W. 1st Ave. 80219

Ross-Broadway
720.865.0135
33 E. Bayaud Ave. 80209

Ross-Cherry Creek
720.865.0120
305 Milwaukee St. 80206

Ross-University Hills
720.865.0955
4310 E. Amherst Ave. 80222

Sam Gary
720.865.0325
2961 Roslyn St. 80238

Schlessman Family
720.865.0000
100 Poplar St. 80220

Smiley
720.865.0260
4501 W. 46th Ave. 80212

Valdez-Perry
720.865.0300
4690 Vine St. 80216

Virginia Village
720.865.0940
1500 S. Dahlia St. 80222

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