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DECEMBER 2019

WINTER WONDER

FREE CLASSES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES
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No matter how you celebrate this time of year, we have a program, a class, a demonstration or an activity that will delight your sense of winter wonder. Join us for a hands-on class to learn how to make tamales like a pro. Or, dig into the history and lore of French macarons, the equivalent of a precious jewel, crispy outside and soft inside. (Bonus: there are samples!) But, it’s not all about food.

If you’re up for some laughs, come listen to Dr. Kevin Fitzgerald, professional stand-up comedian and a true Renaissance man who also had a 25-year career in veterinary medicine. Join the movement and give where you live on Dec. 10, Colorado Gives Day. Learn about these programs and more in the following pages. We wish you the cheeriest of holidays!

WINTER FESTIVITIES

**ALL AGES**

Winter Celebration
Saturday, Dec. 14, 10-11 a.m. @ Ross-Cherry Creek
Join us for a fun, all ages winter celebration with treats, crafts and music from East High School students. Ideal for all ages.

Holiday Open House with Live Jazz
Saturday, Dec. 14, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. @ Eugene Field
Join us for yummy treats and live jazz at our Holiday Open House.

Holiday Music with James Cline
Saturday, Dec. 14, 2-3 p.m. @ Virginia Village
James Cline combines traditional classical repertoire with arrangements of familiar jazz and popular tunes. Join us for this beautiful musical celebration and some holiday cheer.

Winter Fest
Saturday, Dec. 14, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ Green Valley Ranch
There will be live music, cookie decorating, face painting, crafts, games and a hot chocolate bar for the whole family.

Annual Holiday Open House
Tuesday, Dec. 17, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Bear Valley
Enjoy live music by harpist Starr Edwards and make a fun edible craft while enjoying treats and mingling with your neighbors.

Chamber Music Concert
Saturday, Dec. 21, 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.

**CHILDREN**

Gingerbread Houses
Tuesday, Dec. 3, 4:30-6 p.m. @ Ford-Warren
Make a gingerbread house using graham crackers and decorate with candy. Ideal for ages 5-12.

Family Gingerbread House Holiday Party
Tuesday, Dec. 3, 5-7 p.m. @ Bear Valley
Wednesday, Dec. 11, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Woodbury
Join us for a night of gingerbread house building, snacks, and live music. Ideal for ages 3 and up with an adult.

Silly Snowman Stick
Friday, Dec. 6, 4-5 p.m. @ Montbello
Create a silly snowman with a paint stir stick. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Snowman Tin
Saturday, Dec. 7, 1-2 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum
Wednesday, Dec. 18, 4-5 p.m. @ Smiley
Monday, Dec. 23, 4:15-5:15 p.m. @ Hampden
Design a house for a tiny snowman. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Winter Villages
Monday, Dec. 9, 4-5 p.m. @ Montbello
Tuesday, Dec. 10, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Ford-Warren
Saturday, Dec. 21, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Bear Valley
Build a cozy outdoor winter scene. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Holiday Cards
Thursday, Dec. 12, 3:30-4:30 p.m. @ Decker
Friday, Dec. 13, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Park Hill
Sunday, Dec. 15, 2-3 p.m. @ Gonzales
Monday, Dec. 16, 4:15-5:15 p.m. @ Hampden
Friday, Dec. 20, 4-5 p.m. @ Montbello
Get creative making holiday cards for family and friends. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

The Grinch and crafts: Silly Snowman Stick and Holiday Cards
Saturday, Dec. 14, 1-4 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum
Watch The Grinch (rated PG) and create 2 crafts: silly snowman stick and holiday cards. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.
Winter Solstice Celebration Saturday, Dec. 21, 11a.m.-12 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum Make the most of the shortest day of the year with music, food and activities. Ideal for ages birth-5 with an adult.

Noon Year’s Eve Party Tuesday, Dec. 31, 11:15a.m.-12:15 p.m. @ Bear Valley Kids and their grown-ups are invited to celebrate New Year’s Eve with crafts and fun as we count down to noon. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Glow in the Dark Noon Year’s Eve Party Tuesday, Dec. 31, 12-2 p.m. @ Gonzales Celebrate the end of the year and bring in 2020 at our family friendly glow-in-the-dark event. We’ll have games, snacks, mocktails, sparkling crafts, noisemakers, and more. Families of all ages welcome.

TEENS
Teen Open Craft and Pizza Thursday, Dec. 19, 5-7 p.m. @ Ford-Warren We’ll make pretty much whatever you want. This is a great opportunity to make some last minute holiday gifts. And...pizza! Ideal for ages 12-18.

ADULTS
DIY Heat Wrap Tuesday, Dec. 3, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Ross-Cherry Creek Learn how to sew a cozy microwavable neck wrap using a sewing machine. Perfect for a gift or just to treat yourself. Materials provided. Register at denverlibrary.org/event/diy-heat-wrap

How to Make Tamales Thursday, Dec. 5, 6-7 p.m. @ Woodbury Have you ever wondered how tamales are made? Would you like to be able to cook tamales by following a simple and delicious recipe? Join us for a hands-on class and see how you can make tamales like a pro.

Giving Back: Fleece for Fosters Saturday, Dec. 7, 12-5 p.m. @ Luke & CO, 430 Broadway Join us at Luke & CO Fine Pet Supply to make fleece blankets for foster animals and get your dog’s picture taken with Santa. All ages welcome.

Maker in Residence Workshop: Laser Cut Decoration with Katie Kerr Wednesday, Dec. 11, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ Hampden Join us for the culmination of Katie Kerr’s tenure as the Hampden Branch ideaLAB Maker in Residence and learn how to make a custom laser cut decoration or ornament. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Immigrants, Ornaments and Legacies: The Story of American Made Glass Christmas Ornaments Wednesday, Dec. 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Park Hill Travel from Germany to Corning Glass Works for a nostalgic Christmas history lesson. Still sold today, learn about Shiny Brite™ and George Franke Christmas tree ornaments passed through the generations.

Holiday Crafts with Tagxedo Thursday, Dec. 12, 1-2 p.m. @ Ross-University Hills Learn how to create a holiday or winter-themed word cloud using Tagxedo, a word cloud generator. You’ll be able to print your Tagxedo and use it to create a card, ornament or other DIY project.

Broke Holiday Crafts Monday, Dec. 16, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Valdez-Perry Create upcycled and low cost craft gifts for your favorite people this holiday season.

DIY Bath Bombs Wednesday, Dec. 18, 6-7 p.m. @ Montbello Make homemade bath bombs, for yourself or to gift to someone else.

AUTHOR VISITS AND WRITING

The Denver School Book with Author Phil Goodstein Saturday, Dec. 7, 2-3 p.m. @ Smiley Join author Phil Goodstein for a discussion on his newest work, The Denver School Book: The History of Denver Public Schools Volume One, 1859-1967, the first book in a planned trilogy and a fascinating survey of Mile High public education.

CELEBRATE KWANZAA
Kwanzaa is a celebration that honors the African first fruits harvest tradition. Take part in a festive cross-cultural experience highlighting the principles of Kwanzaa. Light refreshments served. Ideal for all ages.

Ujima (Collective Work & Responsibility) Saturday, Dec. 28, 1 p.m. @ Ford-Warren Performance

Nia (Purpose) Monday, Dec. 30, 2 p.m. @ Gonzales Performance

Kuumba (Creativity) Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1 p.m. @ Pauline Robinson Creating a Vision Board Craft

Umoja (Unity) Thursday, Dec. 26, 11 a.m. @ Blair-Caldwell Performance

Kujichagulia (Self-determination) Friday, Dec. 27, 12:30 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 1, Burnham Hoyt Book Club Room Discussion
Tammy Abramovitz Finishing School Lesson #2—Parties (and Holiday Cookie Exchange)

Friday, Dec. 6, 7-9 p.m.
RiNo Art District,
The Lounge at Dylan Apartments
3201 Brighton Blvd.

Tammy Abramovitz — named by Salonniere as one of the top 100 hosts in the United States — will teach you how to distinguish yourself with impeccable manners, how to host with aplomb and how to be a guest who gets invited back. Tammy is also hosting a holiday cookie exchange. We’ll have cookies on hand to send you home with and, if you’d like, bring a half dozen of your favorite store-bought cookies to share. RSVP at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

Hard Times Writing Workshop with Lighthouse Writers Workshop
Tuesdays, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 3-5 p.m.
@ Central Library
(Check with staff for room location)
Learn to 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.

BOOK CLUBS
Find all your favorite book clubs in the online events calendar at denverlibrary.org/content/dpl-book-clubs

CHILDREN

Little University
@ Gonzales, Hadley, Hampden, Montbello, Ross-Barnum, Ross-Broadway, Schlessman Family
Explore early learning activities beyond traditional Storytimes. Little University for Growups follows select events. Contact branch libraries for dates, times and topics for adults.

Children’s Exhibit: Chickens!
On display through Tuesday, Dec. 24
@ Central Library, Floor 1, Children’s Library
Visit our chicken-themed exhibit featuring activities inspired by the giant chicken sculpture in the Central Library’s Schlessman Hall (Andrea Greiner’s Monument for the 308). Make a noise-maker that sounds just like a chicken and more.

Drop-In Craft
Mondays, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
@ Ross-Cherry Creek
Join us for a different craft each week. Ideal for ages 4 and up with an adult.

Tinker Studio
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 11-11:30 a.m., ages 1-4
Saturdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sundays, 1-4 p.m., ages 3-12
@ Central Library, Children’s Library
Hands-on learning and making where children and families explore new materials and create together.

Art Works
Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
@ Ross-University Hills
After we share a book, little artists will make a simple craft or experiment with a variety of materials in open-ended art experiences. Dress to get messy. Ideal for ages 3-5 with an adult.

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

Crazy Hat
Sunday, Dec. 1, 2-3 p.m. @ Gonzales
Create a colorful loopy hat. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Cool Car Wash
Monday, Dec. 2, 4:15-5:15 p.m. @ Hampden
Design a miniature car and car wash. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Play and Explore
Monday, Dec. 2, 10-11:45 a.m. @ Park Hill
Wednesdays, 3-4 p.m. @ Ross-Cherry Creek
Enjoy unstructured play and social time for children and their caregivers. Ideal for ages birth-5 with an adult.

LEGO® Club
Wednesdays, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 3:30-5 p.m.
@ Eugene Field
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
@ Woodbury
Saturday, Dec. 28, 2-3 p.m.
@ Green Valley Ranch
Create building projects with LEGO®s. You bring the imagination and we’ll provide the building bricks. Ideal for ages 5-11.

Kids’ Creation Club
Wednesdays, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 3:45-4:45 p.m.
@ Ross-University Hills
Drop in and create with us. While supplies last. No registration required. Ideal for ages 5-10.

3D Dragon
Saturday, Dec. 7, 11a.m.-12 p.m.
@ Bear Valley
Create a 3D dragon that will pop right out at you. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Kids Create
Saturday, Dec. 7, 2-3 p.m. @ Hampden
Listen to a favorite children’s book, talk about the illustrations, and then create your own masterpiece. Dress for mess. Ideal for ages 3-12.

Clay Bugs
Saturday, Dec. 7, 4-5 p.m. @ Hampden
Test your sculpting skills by making tiny clay bugs. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.
Outer Space Craft Party
Sunday, Dec. 8, 2-3 p.m. @ Gonzales
Create some “out of this world” crafts. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Awesome Art Adventures
Monday, Dec. 9, 11-11:30 a.m. @ Green Valley Ranch
Friday, Dec. 20, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Virginia Village
Read a book and create art. Learn about color and experiment with different textures using paints, paper, clay and more. Come dressed to get messy. Ideal for ages 2-5 with an adult.

Cute Coin Bank
Monday, Dec. 9, 4:15-5:15 p.m. @ Hampden
Thursday, Dec. 26, 3-4 p.m. @ Park Hill
Save your money with a cute bank. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Preschool STEM
Friday, Dec. 13, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Virginia Village
Explore simple STEM concepts for preschoolers. Ideal for ages 3-5 with an adult.

Rocky Mountain Aardvarks
Monday, Dec. 16, 10:30-11:15 p.m. @ Park Hill
Music for Aardvarks is distinct from other children’s music programs in that all programs are based around original songs, rhythms and chants. The music is appealing to kids and parents alike - it’s an interactive musical experience for everyone.

Playtime Hour
Friday, Dec. 27, 10:30-11 a.m. @ Bear Valley
Playtime Hour is a time of play and socialization. Baby Storytime will resume January 3, 2020. Ideal for ages birth-18 months with an adult.

Erica Sodos Presents Pirate Magic
Friday, Dec. 27, 3-4 p.m. @ Park Hill
Arrrrr mateys...Captain Rosebud will enchant you into her magical and hilarious world of wild pirates, stolen treasure, and fairy gold. Ideal for ages 2 and up with an adult.

Mini Doghouse
Monday, Dec. 30, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Park Hill
Design a doghouse for a miniature stuffed dog. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Coffee Connections
Monday, Dec. 2, 12-1:30 p.m. @ Ross-Broadway
Wednesday, Dec. 18, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Lounge
Library customers experiencing homelessness and other community members are invited to meet library staff to enjoy a cup of coffee, fresh donuts, and informal conversation. A Community Resource Specialist will be available for anyone interested in learning more about community and library resources.

Together We Count: 2020 Census
Monday, Dec. 2, 2 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ Athmar (drop-in)
Thursday, Dec. 5, 5:30-6:30 p.m. @ Pauline Robinson
The census is coming and you count! Participating in the 2020 Census will benefit your community, your children and the entire state of Colorado. Learn how to participate and why the census matters to you.

Coffee & Conversation
Saturday, Dec. 7, 9-10 a.m. @ Bear Valley
Enjoy refreshments with your neighbors while playing board games or browsing books. We’ll be on hand to listen to your thoughts on the library and the community.

DIY

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

Sewing Lounge
Thursday, Dec. 5 & 12, 12-2 p.m. @ Bear Valley
Need a sewing machine for a special project? Grab your supplies and head over to use ours. Staff will be on hand to answer questions.

COOKING

Food Lover’s Book Club: French Macarons
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 6-7 p.m. @ Ross-Cherry Creek
The French macaron is the equivalent of a precious jewel. Crispy outside and soft inside, the confections are difficult to perfect and no one has done it better than Ladurée, the famed Parisian patisserie. Pick up a copy of *Ladurée Macarons* by Vincent Lemains and Antonin Bonnet and we’ll dig into the history and lore of the dessert. Bonus: Samples!

Giving Back: Friendship Bread
Saturday, Dec. 14, 2-4 p.m. @ La Familia Recreation Center, 65 S. Elati St.
It’s all about carbs and kindness. Learn how to make bread and jam with local chef Monica Kadlilak, then take the bread to share with an older adult in your neighborhood.
WORLD LANGUAGES IN DENVER

Vietnamese
Saturday, Dec. 7, 12-1 p.m. @ Hampden
Vietnamese is spoken by more than 76 million people worldwide. Celebrate the Vietnamese language by learning common greetings and phrases and enjoy traditional Vietnamese tea served with authentic baked goods and desserts.

Arabic
Saturday, Dec. 14, 12-1 p.m. @ Hampden
December 18 is UN Arabic Language Day, a language with more than 422 million speakers in the Arab community. Celebrate one of America’s fastest growing languages and enjoy henna and traditional Arabic tea served with authentic baked goods and desserts.

Amharic
Saturday, Dec. 21, 12-1 p.m. @ Hampden
Amharic is the official language of Ethiopia with more than 22 million native speakers worldwide. Celebrate the Amharic language by learning common greetings and phrases and enjoy traditional Amharic tea served with authentic baked goods and desserts.

Buttons and Beer at ReCreative Denver
Friday, Dec. 6, 6-9 p.m. @ ReCreative Denver, 765 Santa Fe Drive
Stop by ReCreative Denver on First Friday and visit the Byers Branch Library table to create with our button makers. Bring your own image or use one from our eclectic selection. Now with bottle opener keychains.

Sit ‘n’ Knit
Tuesdays, Dec. 10 & 24, 12:30-2:30 p.m. @ Bear Valley
Experienced knitters can share their knowledge while beginners get tips from skilled cohorts. Fiber host: Charlotte Updike.

Knitting Circle
Thursdays, Dec. 12 & 26, 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.

Soothing Eye Pillow
Friday, Dec. 13, 4-5 p.m. @ Montbello
Come sew a soothing pillow filled with rice and lavender. Can be used as a hot or cold pack for stress relief and relaxation. Ideal for ages 8 and up.

Soap Making
Saturday, Dec. 14, 2-3 p.m. @ Valdez-Perry
Create your own handmade soap with your favorite fragrances and exfoliants. You will smell and feel great.

GENEALOGY

Find additional Genealogy classes and events in the online events calendar at history.denverlibrary.org/genealogy

Saturday, Dec. 7, 1:30-3:30 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room
Join us for a celebration of music featuring the hammered dulcimer, an instrument well suited to Celtic music. A trio of musicians with over 50 years of experience will help us prepare for the winter holiday season.

Beginning Genealogy
Saturday, Dec. 14, 10-11 a.m. @ Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Conference Room
Learn to think genealogically through exploration of census using Ancestry Library Edition, pedigree charts and family group sheets and other major record groups. Individual assistance following class.

Black Genealogy Search Group: Writers Group
Saturday, Dec. 28, 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.

HISTORY

Looking Up, Looking Down: Images of Aviation in World War I
Saturday, Dec. 7, 2-4 p.m. @ Park Hill
Learn how the experience of airplanes in flight affected the course of The Great War and resulted in lasting changes to the very act of seeing.

Active Minds: The History of Colorado
Thursday, Dec. 12, 1-2 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Learn about the competing claims to Colorado dating back to the Native Americans who originally lived here. We will cover the 15 year struggle to become the 38th state and the role of mining and oil in the evolution of the state. Bring your favorite Colorado stories to share.

The Ski Troops of World War II
Friday, Dec. 13, 2-3 p.m. @ Eugene Field
Retired Colonel Tom Duhs, co-author of Sempre Avanti: Always Forward, will discuss the U.S. military’s 10th Mountain Division. This specialized unit of ski troops trained near Pando, Colorado, at altitudes up to 14,000 feet, often under brutal weather conditions and for weeks at a time.
Active Minds: South Pole
Saturday, Dec. 14, 1-2 p.m.
@ Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room
We'll discuss the discovery of the South Pole by Roald Amundsen, "the last of the Vikings." The race to the South Pole was one of the greatest international races prior to the race to the moon and was full of tragedy and triumph.

Active Minds: The Lewis & Clark Expedition
Thursday, Dec. 19, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
@ Sam Gary
Learn about Lewis & Clark’s expedition that opened the West over 200 years ago. We will discuss the achievements and challenges of the expedition as well as the legacies it left for the young nation. We will also discuss the evolution of our country’s relationship with Native Americans and the lands they inhabited.

MORE FUN STUFF

Hampden Staff Art Show
On display Dec. 7-Jan. 11 @ Hampden
Come see our fantastic staff's artwork on display at the Hampden Branch Library.

¡Habla Ya! Spanish Conversation Group
Tuesdays, 4-5 p.m. @ Schlessman Family
Practice your Spanish with other language learners. This is not an instructional course, but an opportunity to chat and improve your skills through facilitated conversation.

Guitar Practice
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 6-7:30 p.m.
@ Valdez-Perry
Practice what you know. We’ll provide a limited number of guitars, but bring your own guitar if you have one. Ideal for ages 12 and up.

Coloring for Grown Ups
Saturday, Dec. 7, 11a.m.-12 p.m. @ Park Hill
Come for a nostalgic hour of coloring, in or outside the lines. Use our supplies to unplug and color your way to serenity.

Canvas, Curls & Tiaras
Saturday, Dec. 7, 2-5 p.m. @ Blair-Caldwell
Flowers, crowns, tiaras and jewels make a great addition to the paint on your canvas. Local artist Christine Fontenot will guide you as you explore your creativity in color. All supplies provided. No experience needed. Ages 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Board Game Night
Wednesday, Dec. 11, 5:30-7:45 p.m.
@ Eugene Field
Join us to play a variety of easy-to-learn, partially cooperative, strategy-based games. Refreshments provided. For ages 18 and up, unless accompanied by an adult. Featuring: Betrayal at House on the Hill, Boss Monster, Disney Villainous and Scrabble.

Vintage Gaming #TBT
Thursday, Dec. 12, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ Byers
Relive your youth with old school video games and systems, including NES, Super NES, Sega, N64, Gamecube and Wii, all with classic games and arcade style games. Refreshments provided. For ages 18 and up, unless accompanied by an adult.

Trivia Night at Eugene Field
Wednesday, Dec. 18, 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.

Active Minds: Artificial Intelligence
Thursday, Dec. 19, 3-4 p.m.
@ Ross-University Hills
Get an overview of the development of Artificial Intelligence, computer systems capable of performing tasks typically done by a human brain, such as optical recognition, complex decision making, voice recognition, learning, language translation and more.

MINI COMIC CON
Saturday, Dec. 7, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Celebrate all pop culture fandoms! Join us for face painting, button making, green screen photos and other fun activities. Featuring over 30 Colorado comic book creators. Cosplay welcome. Ideal for ages 5 and up accompanied by an adult.
Underground Comedy Club:
Dr. Kevin Fitzgerald
Thursday, Dec. 19, 7-8:30 p.m. @ Park Hill
With a background that ranges from tours as a bouncer with The Rolling Stones, a 25-year career in veterinary medicine (including 11 seasons on the Animal Planet series Emergency Vets), and over 20 years of performing as a professional stand-up comedian; Kevin Fitzgerald is a true renaissance man. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. 18 and over only due to adult content.

New to You and Coffee too!
Friday, Dec. 27, 2-3:30 p.m @ Eugene Field
Drop in for coffee or tea, spend the hour with your friendly neighborhood librarians and get great ideas for what to read, watch, or listen to next.

DECEMBER 10 IS COLORADO GIVES DAY
But it’s more than just a day. It’s a movement!

Join the movement and give where you live on December 10. Log on to ColoradoGives.org to support the Denver Public Library Friends Foundation and other worthy nonprofits. The Friends Foundation enriches our community by building support and raising money to enhance the library’s programs and services.

MOVIES & MUSIC

The Man of 1000 Songs
Tuesday, Dec. 3, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Park Hill
Rob Wivchar will entertain music-lovers of all ages with a guitar and harmonica while performing storytelling songs with surprising backgrounds.

Toy Story 4 (2019) G
Saturday, Dec. 7, 2-4 p.m. @ Gonzales
Woody has always known his place in the world and that his priority is taking care of his kid. But when Bonnie adds a reluctant new toy called ‘Forky’ to her room, a road trip adventure will show Woody how big the world can be for a toy. Popcorn and drinks provided.

Sunday, Dec. 8, 1:30-4 p.m. @ Central Library, Conference Center
Steven Spielberg’s heartwarming classic about a gentle alien stranded on Earth, trying to get back home. Western History will showcase their UFO-related holdings after the film.

Spektral Quartet
Tuesday, Dec. 10, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Central Library, Floor 1, Movies & Music Room
The twice Grammy-nominated Spektral Quartet will perform an exhilarating program of traditional classical music as well as contemporary classical repertoire written in this decade. Presented by Friends of Chamber Music, friendsofchambermusic.com

Community Sing-Along
Wednesday, Dec. 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Join us for an intergenerational sing-along with a live band. Enjoy singing just for the fun of it with people of all ages—from birth to 125. If you have an instrument, bring it and jam along with the band. Funded by the NextFifty Initiative.

Ukulele Class with Swallow Hill Music
Thursday, Dec. 12, 5-6 p.m. @ Ford-Warren
Ukulele is small, easy to carry, easy on the fingers and simple to play. Learn a couple chords and simple, singable songs. Ukuleles and instruction provided by Swallow Hill Music.

The Constant Tourists
Saturday, Dec. 14, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Hadley
Join us for monthly live music, perfect for the whole family. This month we have Rocky Mountain Battle of the Bands winner The Constant Tourists and their diverse blend of gypsy rock.

Guerrilla Film School: Monsieur Hire
Saturday, Dec. 14, 1:30-4 p.m. @ Smiley
Watch Monsieur Hire on Kanopy.com with your library card ahead of time, then join fellow cinema lovers and film professor John Anzalone (@johnbanzalone) for scene analysis and lively discussion of film classics. Email auroramhunt@yahoo.com if you would like a viewing guide.

Open Mic Night
Tuesday, Dec. 17, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Gonzales
Sing a song, read a poem, tell a joke—no matter what your talent is, we want you to share it. The stage is yours for 2 songs or 10 minutes. Light refreshments provided. All ages welcome.

SHIBORI DYEING

Tuesday, Dec. 3, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Hampden
Dating from 8th century Japan, Shibori dyeing is a method using indigo dye on natural fabrics. We will create beautiful white and blue patterns, resulting in a one-of-a-kind infinity scarf or a set of tea towels. Make a beautiful and unique holiday gift that makes a statement.
OLDER ADULTS

Medicare Monday: Drop-In Informational Session
Monday, Dec. 2, 2-4 p.m.
@ Ford-Warren & Virginia Village
Drop in for one-on-one assistance with understanding and signing up for Medicare and other public benefits.

Memory Cafe
Reconnect Dance Class
Tuesday, Dec. 3, 1:30-3 p.m.
@ Ford-Warren
Memories in the Making
Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1:30-3 p.m.
@ Schlessman Family
Winter Music Sing Along
Tuesday, Dec. 24, 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.

Thursday, Dec. 5, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
@ Sam Gary
Learn about the five cognitive processes hardwired into our brains that often make financial decisions challenging. Each roadblock is closely examined in creative fashion to help you understand why our brains manipulate the investment planning process – and what can be done about it.

Caregiver Support: Managing Daily Challenges
Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1-3 p.m. @ Eugene Field
Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1-3 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Caring for a loved one can be filled with day to day worry and stress caused by unforeseen obstacles. Learn to use journal writing and other techniques to help identify and manage these challenges to improve your caregiving experience.

Kindness Club
Wednesday, Dec. 18, 4-5 p.m. @ Sam Gary
Meet new friends and promote kindness through simple acts. Our intergenerational, all-ages club will focus on kindness to family, friends and loved ones this holiday season. Ideal for ages birth and up with an adult.

Ridesharing 101
Friday, Dec. 20, 2-3:30 p.m. @ Eugene Field
Learn about apps like Uber, Lyft and Go Go Grandparent. Understand the benefits of these providers over a regular taxi and when a taxi could be the better option. Have your safety questions answered and leave feeling like a ridesharing pro.

Virtual Museum Visit: The Draper Natural History Museum
Friday, Dec. 6, 2-3 p.m.
Eugene Field
See an amazing museum without leaving Denver. Draper Natural History Museum staff in Cody, Wyoming will give viewers a virtual tour and lecture about four habitats in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. You’ll have a chance to give feedback about this program so DPL can plan remote visits to other museums.

TECHNOLOGY

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/idealab 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 Park, Bear Valley, Byers, Central Library, Decker, 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  
Mondays, 2-3 p.m. @ Gonzales  
Tuesdays, 12-1 p.m. @ Decker  
Tuesdays, 2-3 p.m. @ Gonzales  
Tuesdays, 3-4 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom  
Wednesdays, 12-1 p.m. @ Blair-Caldwell, Schlessman Family  
Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m. @ Bear Valley  
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Thursdays, 3-4 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.

Computer Basics  
Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Ross-University Hills  
Dec. 3: Saving and Finding Files 1  
Dec. 10: Saving and Finding Files 2  
Dec. 17: PowerPoint Basics  
Learn computer and smartphone basics such as how to set up an email account, search the internet, use social media safely and more.

Rocky Mountain Map Society: Creating Connections and Geospatial Intelligence for a Better World  
Tuesday, Dec. 3, 5:30-7 p.m. @ Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Conference Room  
In this talk Dr. Newbury, Chief Instrument Engineer, will give examples of how Maxar’s imagery is used for an ever-increasing set of applications, including disaster relief, disease eradication, and the basis for the maps we all carry on our smartphones.

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

Tweens & Teen Hangout  
Tuesday, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 3:30-4:30 p.m. @ Woodbury  
Invite your friends to the library and play awesome video games. Snacks served.

Teen STEAM  
Tuesday, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 4-5:30 p.m. @ Byers  
Come after school for some fun engineering and craft programs. Ideal for ages 11-18.

Eazy Gaming  
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 3-4:30 p.m. @ Byers  
Play great video games on a Wii, N64 and PS4. Ideal for ages 6-18.

Write & Talk for Teens with Lighthouse Writers Workshop  
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 4-6 p.m. @ Sam Gary  
Are you interested in exploring the world of creative writing? Join local author and Lighthouse Writers Workshop instructor Whitney Gaines to try a new genre or topic each month. We’ll try our hands at fiction, poetry, screenwriting and graphic novels, with plenty of time for freewriting and conversation. Ideal for ages 13-18.

COMING IN 2020!  
WINTER OF READING  
Stay tuned for more information.

Teen Space  
Thursdays, 4-5 p.m. @ Valdez-Perry  
Hang out, play games, do your homework, and more during this time that is just for teens. The conference room will be a dedicated teen space for you to safely hang out.

DIY Relaxation Craft Session  
Thursday, Dec. 5, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Green Valley Ranch  
Create a bath bomb and lip balm to relax before taking your finals.

Nintendo Switch Play Day  
Friday, Dec. 13, 3:30-5:30 p.m. @ Ford-Warren  
Bring your friends and play some games on one of our Nintendo Switch consoles. Ideal for ages 12-20.

Teen Gaming  
Saturday, Dec. 14, 2-4 p.m. @ Green Valley Ranch  

Adult Yoga  
Saturdays, Dec. 7 & 21, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ Green Valley Ranch  
Yoga taught in a safe, fun and supportive environment. This class focuses on asanas (physical poses), breathwork and meditation. All levels. Supported by a grant from RE/MAX Altitude.

Death Cafe  
Thursday, Dec. 12, 1:30-2:30 p.m. @ Ford-Warren  
Join this discussion of death with no agenda, objectives or ideology. Jamie Sarche, a director of funeral pre-planning, loves helping people to feel more comfortable with the idea of mortality.

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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**Legend:**

- **Baby 0-18 month old**
- **Toddler 18-36 months old**
- **Preschool 3-5 years old**
- **All Ages 0-5 years old**
- **All Ages/Bilingual 0-5 years old**
- **Intergenerational Storytime**

Stories, songs, rhymes and fun for older adults, children of all ages and their caregivers.

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