

LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



June 2021

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**Friends of the
La Crosse
Public Library**

Bookshop Hours

**Monday–Saturday
12:00 P.M.–2:00 P.M.**

May be open other hours if
volunteers are available

For more information
about the Friends of
the La Crosse Public
Library visit our
website at:
[lacrosselibrary.org/
about/friends-library](http://lacrosselibrary.org/about/friends-library)



*Summer is
here!*

**CHECK OUT OUR
SUMMER LIBRARY
PROGRAMS FOR
YOUTH AND ADULTS!**

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Main Library

800 Main Street
(608) 789-7100

Monday–Saturday 10 A.M.–6 P.M.
Sunday Closed

South Community Library

1307 16th Street South
(608) 789-7103

Temporarily Closed

North Community Library

1552 Kane Street
(608) 789-7102

Temporarily Closed

CURRENT SERVICES



Services currently available at our Main Street facility include:

- You will be able to peruse the shelves on both floors for items. Please maintain social distancing while in the library.
- Self-pick up of holds. Stop in and get your holds from the hold shelf as you did before. Then, check them out at the self-checks or from the circulation desk.
- Computer use. You no longer need to make an appointment to use the library computers. Our public computers are spaced apart to maintain social distancing.

- Printing/Copying/Scanning Services available on both floors.
- Both the Main Street and Parking lot entrances to the library are open.

The Archives and Local History department will continue to accept reference services requests via phone, email, or mail. Appointments can now be scheduled to use archival collections and reading room materials. Only one visitor can use the reading room at a time. Call 608-789-7136 or email archives@lacrosselibrary.org.

Youth Services is offering book bundles and regular youth reference and readers advisory services at their service desk or via phone or email. Call 608-789-7128 or email yservicesstaff@lacrosselibrary.org.

Adult Services will continue to accept reference services requests via phone, email, chat or mail. One-on-One appointments can be scheduled by calling 608-789-7122 or email refdesk@lacrosselibrary.org.

For more information on our current services, check our [website](http://lacrosselibrary.org)

ADULT SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM



Celebrate Summer Reading with SLP Bingo!

June 15 – August 17

Join us in playing Adult Summer Library BINGO this summer at La Crosse Public Library! You'll be invited to discover different genres, explore new areas of the collection and sample our online and in-person offerings. Turn in your completed card and you'll be entered into a drawing for (3) gift certificates to Downtown Mainstreet – plus all participants will receive a custom LPL bookmark! Bingo cards will be available at the library or digitally through our website. For more information, please ask at a service desk or visit:

<http://lacrosselibrary.org>

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING



La Crosse Public Library

Make this a summer of reading, playing, and fun! Starting Monday, June 7, pick-up your library bingo packet and challenge yourself to complete a variety of reading and goofy activity goals. When you sign up for the Summer Library Program, you'll also take home a retro Super Reader yard sign.

Nature Lovers

Fridays; June 11, July 9, and August 13
3:00 P.M.–4:00 P.M.

Miss Dawn will go Live on our [YouTube page](#) at a different trail each month. Join her for a socially distanced group hike or pick up your scavenger hunt and complete a self-guided hike at any of our regional trails to explore nature! Will you see a turtle? A frog? Another animal? Tell us all about your hike or share a photo on our social media pages. Want to find more trails and treasure hunts? Trail Trek Challenge is a FREE and easy hiking program that anyone can join. It's a great way to discover all of Mississippi Valley Conservancy's nature preserves, have fun outdoors, and get in a drawing to win prizes! Visit mississippi-valleyconservancy.org/ttc

All ages welcome.

June 11 Mathy Trail
July 9 Lower Hixon
Aug 13 Myrick



Read Around La Crosse

Mondays; June 7–July 26
10:30 A.M.–10:45 A.M.

YouTube

Experience some of the best spots in La Crosse virtually with your favorite librarians! We will be sharing a story and showcasing a new location each week. Check it out on our [YouTube page](#).

Best for all ages.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Outdoor Family Storytime

Thursdays, June 10 – June 24

9:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

Registration Required

Main Library East Lawn

Welcome back to face-to-face storytime! We're so excited to share fun books, rhymes, and music with you and your little ones OUTSIDE at the library. **Due to social distancing guidelines and current COVID-19 mitigations, space is limited.**

Registration is required and will close 2 hours before the event begins. No drop-in participants will be admitted.

More details and registration can be found online at

Lacrosselibrary.org



Music with Mr. Evan

Tuesdays, June 8 – 29

10:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

Registration Required

Zoom

Join us for an energetic half hour of music with Mr. Evan.

We'll sing, laugh, and be extra silly! **Best for children ages birth to 6 and their adults.**



Music with Mr. Evan: Live!

Saturday, June 12

9:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.

Registration Required

Burns Park—701 Main Street

Are you ready to experience Mr. Evan in person? We will be socially distancing to sing, dance, and be extra silly with Mr.

Evan, a music teacher and singer from Music at the Blissful. **Best for families with young children.**



To register for any of these programs, please check out our [online calendar](#)

New Baby Group: Stroller Walks

Wednesdays, June 16 – July 21

9:00 A.M.

Registration Required

June: Myrick Park

July: Riverside Park

Did you welcome a new baby in the last year? We will gather each week for a socially distanced walk through a trail or park and chat about parenting topics. **Best for children under 1 and their caregivers.**



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING



Makers Monday: Paint Along

Monday, June 28

11:00 A.M.

YouTube

Follow along on a step-by-step painting journey to create a lovely canvas creation for your wall or a friend. Supplies can be picked up at the Main Library starting Monday, Monday, June 28, but quantities are limited. **For children in grades 2-6.** The how-to video will be posted the library's [YouTube page](#).

Wonderous Wednesdays: Summer Scavenger Hunt

Wednesday, June 23

2:00 P.M.–3:00 P.M.

Registration Required

Zoom

Are you ready for some virtual fun?! Scramble around your space to see who can collect a list of absurd items the quickest. Join us for an afternoon of ridiculous, summer fun! **For grades 2-5**

TEEN THURSDAY

Registration Required

Lie Swatter

Thursday, June 10

1:30 P.M.–2:30 P.M.

Zoom

Join us via Zoom for this online game where players are given a fact and must quickly decide if it's true or not. Get it wrong and the bug gets squashed but if you get it right, the bug still gets squashed but you get points! **For grades 6-12.**

Bracelet Bonanza

Thursday, June 17

1:30 P.M.–2:30 P.M.

Main Library courtyard

We'll have all the fixings for you to make a variety of bracelets to add to your accessories collection! **Program limited to 12 teens and masks are required. For grades 6-12.**

Among Us

Thursday, June 24

1:30 P.M.–2:30 P.M.

Zoom

Join us via Zoom as you attempt to prep your spaceship for departure but be aware as one crewmate will be an imposter bent on eliminating everyone! Participants must have access to the game via mobile download or computer. **For grades 6-12**

ST. ANDREW STREET CLASSES

The library is partnering with Parks and Recreation to move our technology classes in-person and online. Registration is required. To register for these classes, please call the South Side Neighborhood Center (SSNC) at 608-789-8298.

Monday, June 14

11:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.

iPhone 101

St. Andrew Street Center

Get tips and tricks on privacy settings, organizing and sharing photos, and /or internet browsing.

Monday, June 21

11:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.

Android 101

St. Andrew Street Center

Get tips and tricks on privacy settings, organizing and sharing photos, and /or internet browsing.

Thursday, June 17

6:00 P.M.–7:00 P.M.

Tech Help Drop In: Zoom Edition

Online: Zoom

Have questions you'd like to ask but would prefer to stay socially distanced? We'll do our best to answer your tech questions during this Zoom session. To register call the South Side Neighborhood Center at 608-789-8298.

Monday, June 28

11:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.

Facebook Tips and Tricks

St. Andrew Street Center

Depending on class interest, we could cover unfriending vs unfollowing vs snoozing Facebook friends; where to find memorialization settings; and/or the easy way to go through your privacy settings.



Tuesdays
Session 2: June 15–July 13

10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M.

Chair Fitness

St. Andrew Street Center



Have fun exercising while sitting in a chair. Chair Fitness will get your heart pumping and your body moving. Chair Fitness is for all ages and all fitness levels. You should consult your physician or other healthcare professional before starting this or any other fitness program. Registration is required. COVID-19 protocols will be in place—masks required, social distancing and occupancy limits will be in place. To register for these classes, please call the South Side Neighborhood Center (SSNC) at 608-789-8298.

**TECH HELP
DROP-IN**



Located Offsite:
St Andrews Center
1407 St. Andrew Street

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Thursdays Bi-Weekly

Thursday, June 10

Thursday, June 24

**LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY &
PARK AND RECREATION**

MAKER MONDAYS

1407 St. Andrew Street

Mondays: May 3-August 30, 2021

NO PROGRAMS - 5/31 & 7/5

Either 10-11AM or 11-12AM

**JOIN THE FUN IN GETTING YOUR MIND AND
HANDS ENGAGED WITH CRAFTS. DURING THIS
OPEN MAKER TIME, BRING A PROJECT TO WORK
ON OR STOP IN AND TRY YOUR HAND AT
SOMETHING NEW (RESOURCES MIGHT BE
LIMITED).**

ADULT PROGRAMMING

Saturday, June 5

Chair Fitness

9:30 A.M.–10:30 A.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

Registration Required

Chair Fitness will get your heart pumping and your body moving. Chair Fitness is for all ages and all fitness levels. You should consult your healthcare professional before starting this or any other fitness program. [Registration is required.](#) Chair Fitness will meet outside if conditions are good. If it rains, we will move inside to Main Hall. Please meet at the 9th street entrance courtyard. COVID-19 protocols will be in place - masks requested, social distancing and occupancy limits will be in place.

Tuesday, June 8

Storytime for Adults: Are We There Yet?

6:30 P.M.–8:00 P.M.

Weber Center - 428 Front Street S

Registration Required

Storytime for Adults is back! Join us at the Weber Center for our first in-person edition in over a year! Adult beverages will be available for purchase and Taco Town will be providing delicious eats! Registration is required and masks are requested. [Register online](#) or by calling 608-789-7145.

Saturday, June 12

Courtyard Chapters: Gods of Jade and Shadow

10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

Registration Required

Chapters is our monthly book discussion group featuring popular fiction covering a variety of genres. Join us in the library's charming outdoor "secret" courtyard for a discussion of *Gods of Jade and Shadow* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia.

Seating is limited to accommodate social distancing and registration is required.

Register via our [events calendar](#), or by emailing or calling Laura at lschoen@lacrosselibrary.org or 608-789-7130.

Thursday, June 17

Mindful Makers: Mindfulness Stones

7:00 P.M.–8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

Join us for Mindful Makers, a program series integrating creativity with mind and body wellness. During this session, we'll be painting stones with encouraging affirmations and images to help us

stay present. While our hands are busy creating, we'll open up our minds as we're joined by local community health professionals who will share tips on maintaining mindfulness. Craft supplies will be provided. [Register online](#), or by calling or emailing Heather at hmiller@lacrosselibrary.org or 608-789-7125.

Monday, June 21

Homelessness and Housing: Complex Problems and Proven Solutions Part 1

6:30 P.M.–8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

Join us to learn about homelessness in the La Crosse area. Guest speakers Mark Schimpf and Julie McDermid will present on the root causes of homelessness, the limitations of current approaches, data on the current state of homelessness in La Crosse, and what is needed to alleviate this humanitarian crisis. [Register online on our events calendar.](#)

**Programming continues
on next page** →



**An Exhibit of Stories and Photos
On display at La Crosse Public Library
June 1 – June 30**

ADULT PROGRAMMING cont.

Thursday, June 24

Chair Fitness

2:00 P.M.–3:00 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

Registration Required

See June 5th program for information

[Register on our events page](#)

B.Y.O.B. Bring Your Own Book (Club)

7:00 P.M.–8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

B.Y.O.B. (Club) is a non-traditional book club for adults. Instead of reading a predetermined title, participants meet online to share what they're currently reading. Whether you can't wait to talk up your new favorite title or just want to listen to the conversation, all are welcome to join! [Register online](#), or by emailing or calling Heather at hmliller@lacrosselibrary.org, or 608-789-7125.

Sunday, June 27

History Club Monthly Meeting

2:00 P.M.–3:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

History Club is a forum for exploring La Crosse's history. Our goal is to collectively build, share, and preserve knowledge about our community's past. Functioning like a book club, the club leaders will announce biweekly activities and then facilitate a meeting on the last Sunday of every month to allow attendees to share thoughts, ideas, and experiences. [Register online](#)

Monday, June 28

Homelessness and Housing: Complex Problems and Proven Solutions Part 2

6:30 P.M.–8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

You do NOT have to attend Part One to attend this session

Join us to learn about housing in La Crosse. Former La Crosse City Planner Jason Gilman will present on the state of housing, and the challenges and opportunities in creating and maintaining affordable housing. Coulee Tenants United members will discuss the state of renting. The night will conclude with information on viable, real world tested solutions to homelessness, and housing and renting woes, including CouleeCAP's Ashley Lacenski presenting on the community land trust in the La Crosse area. [Register online on our events calendar](#).

Friends of the La Crosse Public Library Membership Form

Please join or renew your annual support!

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Enclosed is my tax-deductible contribution:

☐ New

☐ Individual: \$10

☐ Check (payable to Friends of the La Crosse Public Library)

☐ Renewal

☐ Family: \$25

☐ Cash

☐ Gold: \$50 (converts to Lifetime upon 10 yearly renewals)

I'd like to receive my newsletter via:

☐ Lifetime: \$500

☐ Email (saves Friends \$5 year/member!)

☐ Special gift: _____ (please indicate amount)

☐ U.S. Mail

Contact me to volunteer:

☐ Book shop

☐ Sorting books

☐ Special events



Please return to:

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800 Main Street
La Crosse, WI 54601