

LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



May 2022

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Please Note:

**All three La Crosse
Public Library
locations will be
closed May 28-30
for Memorial Day
Weekend.**

Footsteps of La Crosse: History Tour Series



Join us in learning about how class, culture, and architecture intersect on La Crosse's streets. Each week, we will explore a different neighborhood and topic. All ages are welcome. Tours are free, but please reserve a space. You will receive meeting locations with registration. [Register on our events calendar.](#)

Main Library

800 Main Street
(608) 789-7100

Monday–Tuesday 10 A.M.–6 P.M.
Wednesday 10 A.M.–8 P.M.
Thursday–Saturday 10 A.M.–6 P.M.

South Community Library

1307 16th Street South
(608) 789-7103

Monday 10 A.M.–2 P.M.
Tuesday 2 P.M.–6 P.M.
Wednesday 10 A.M.–2 P.M.

North Community Library

1552 Kane Street
(608) 789-7102

Tuesday 10 A.M.–2 P.M.
Wednesday 2 P.M.–6 P.M.
Thursday 2 P.M.–6 P.M.

CRAFT PROGRAMS

Wednesday, May 4

Adult Craft Program

1:00 P.M.–3:00 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

Registration Required

Whether you are a seasoned crafter or need a little crafting nudge, come join the fun. Projects subject to change. [Register on our events calendar](#), by calling 608-789-7145, or emailing programteam@lacrosselibrary.org

Tuesday, May 10

Crafternoons

1:00 P.M.–3:00 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

Join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month for crafts and camaraderie! This will be held in our Creation Space where you can use our craft supplies to make your next masterpiece or bring in your own work in progress. At times the Library will offer a project to get your creative juices going.

Wednesday, May 11

Bad Art Night

5:30 P.M.–7:00 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

Registration Required

At this adult program we are going to let go of perfection and create something silly! Everyone will have access to a ridiculous pile of materials to create sculptures, jewelry, mobiles, collages—whatever your heart desires. The best “worst” art piece will win a tacky trophy!

Participants will be able to create as many bad art pieces as they’d like. The final 20 minutes, we will set up a bad art exhibit where each participant will cast three votes for their favorite pieces of bad art. Let the creativity flow! [Register on our events calendar](#).

Wednesday, May 11

Knit & Needle

6:00 P.M.–7:30 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

Bring your knitting, crochet, or embroidery projects and craft alongside other fiber art enthusiasts!

Monday, May 16

Card Club

1:00 P.M.–2:00 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

Registration Required

Calling all card makers, let’s get together and share our passion for making cards. Each session, the library will prep two cards based on a theme or on a creative fold. Then with time permitting take those new ideas and create a few more cards. Register by calling 608-789-7145 or emailing programteam@lacrosselibrary.org

Wednesday, May 18

Mindful Makers: Fill Your Cup

6:30 P.M.–7:30 P.M.

Online: Zoom and In Person at La Crosse Public Library– Main

Registration Required

Join us for an evening of creativity and mindfulness! While our hands are busy creating, we’ll open up our minds as we’re joined by Christine Kortbein, curator of mindful art experiences. Christine will teach us how to “Create Personal Symbols” showcasing how symbols are used to create meaning in life. Craft supplies will be provided. Stop by the La Crosse Public Library between May 11-18 to pick up craft kit. [Register on our events calendar](#).

Tuesday, May 24

Crafternoons

1:00 P.M.–3:00 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

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Wednesday, May 25

Knit & Needle

6:00 P.M.–7:30 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

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MUSIC ON A MONDAY IN MAY

May 2nd



Viterbo 9th Street
Singers

May 9th



Ryan Howe

May 16th



Great River Ringers

May 23rd



Dublin's Daughters

Mondays

10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M.

La Crosse Public Library– Main

Join us for a series of free concerts at the La Crosse Public Library, every Monday morning at 10:00 A.M. from May 2 - May 23rd. (No concert on Memorial Day, May 30.)

9th Street doors open at

**9:30 A.M. Come early to enjoy
time for coffee and socialization!**

*Music on a Monday in May is
sponsored by the Gertrude Salzer
Gordon Trust.*

SEEDLING SWAP

Seedling Swap

Saturday, May 14

11:30am–1:00pm

Bring a variety of seeds, seedlings or bulbs to share,
and swap with other gardeners in our community!



La Crosse Public Library,
Main Courtyard



**LA CROSSE
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

STORYTIMES

May 7 – May 21



Saturday Storytime (all ages)

Saturday

10:30 A.M.–11:00 A.M.

La Crosse Public Library– Main

This 30 minute storytime features stories, singing, exploring, and play! Prepare for lots of movement and laughter.



North Side Play Shoppe, presented by The Parenting Place

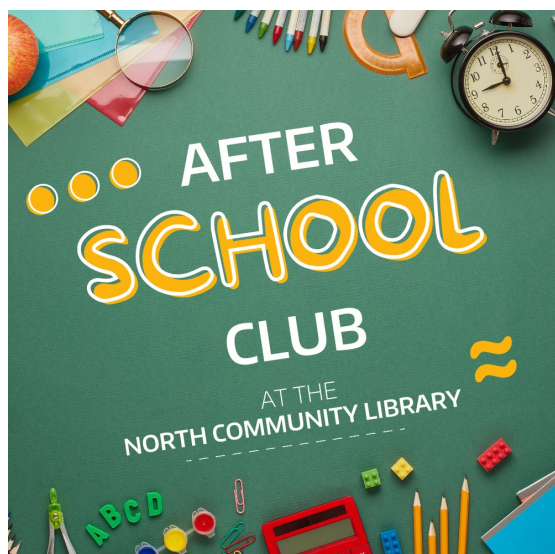
Tuesdays, 10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M.

La Crosse Public Library– North

Join the Parenting Place and enjoy open-ended playtime, a simple art activity, circle and storytime, and a snack. Come and share the power of playing with your child! Library staff will provide storytime on the third Tuesday of the month. **Best for ages birth to five.**

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Stay Tuned CHILDREN'S SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM COMING IN JUNE



Wednesdays and Thursdays

3:30 P.M.–4:30 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library– North

Join us after school as we play, create, and have fun each afternoon at the North Community Library. **Best for grades 1-6.**

CLASSES

YOGA FOR ALL



WITH CERTIFIED YOGA INSTRUCTOR
BERNICE OLSON-POLLACK

SATURDAY | 10:30 AM

May 21

La Crosse Public Library— Main

Join us for a free community yoga program encouraging gentle body movement for all ages, abilities, and walks of life! Bring your own mats. [Register on our events calendar](#), or call 608-789-7145.

Building a Website

Wednesday, May 18

11:00 A.M.—12:00 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library—Main

We'll look into popular website builders & teach you the need-to-knows about designing and maintaining your website. [Register on our events calendar](#)



TECH DROP IN

Community Connections Center

1407 St. Andrew Street

Wednesdays, May 11 and 25
11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Do you have questions about your tablet, computer, or phone? The La Crosse Public Library staff will be available at the **Community Connections Center** to help you navigate your devices! Registration is not required.



Join us for an hour of fitness and fun!

CHAIR FITNESS



Community Connections Center

1407 St. Andrews Street

Tuesdays, May 3, 10, 17, 31

10:00 A.M.—11:00 A.M.

Register by calling 608-789-8640



La Crosse Public Library

800 Main Street

Thursdays, May 5, 12, 19

2:00 P.M.—3:00 P.M.

Register by calling 608-789-7145

ADULT PROGRAMMING

Monday, May 9

Storytime for Adults: Good Advice

6:30 P.M.–8:00 P.M.

Turtle Stack Brewery

Why should children have all the fun? Our monthly 'Storytime for Adults' meets the second Monday of the month at the Turtle Stack Brewery. Join us to hear your favorite local librarians and performers read some of our favorite short stories and essays. Beer and beverages are available for purchase.

For ages 21+ only. Caution: stories may include adult content. Listener discretion is advised.

Saturday, May 14

Courtyard Chapters: All This Could Be Yours

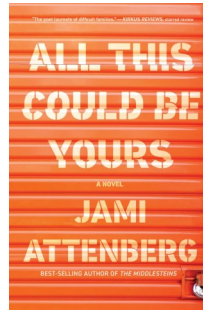
10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main

Registration Required

Chapters is our monthly book discussion group featuring popular fiction covering a variety of genres. Looking for a relaxing start to your weekend?

How about spending it in the library's charming "secret" courtyard to discuss a new title each month. This month we will be discussing *All This Could Be Yours* by Jami Attenberg. [Register on our events calendar](#), by emailing lschoen@lacrosselibrary.org, or calling 608-789-7130.



Thursday, May 26

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 and pick up new recommended reads. 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 on our events calendar](#), by calling 608-789-7145 or by emailing programteam@lacrosselibrary.org



The Forest Awaits: Sensing Presence in Nature

Saturday, May 21

1:00 P.M.–2:00 P.M.

La Crosse Public Library–Main Courtyard

When's the last time you stopped to observe the natural world, listen to the birds, or run your hand over the bark of a tree? In this program, we'll explore Forest Bathing or shinrin-yoku. Experience a relaxing outdoor nature practice, along with a discussion on the health benefits and suggestions on how to implement these mindfulness-based methods into your ever day life. Register on our [events calendar](#) or by calling 608-789-7145, or emailing programteam@lacrosselibrary.org

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Friends of the La Crosse Public Library

Bookshop Hours

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday and Saturday**

10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

Wednesday

12:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M.



May be open other hours if
volunteers are available

Monday Morning Book Sales



Monday Morning Book Sales will be returning in May! Join us in the lower level bookshop Monday mornings from 10:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. starting May 2.

Support Friends of the La Crosse Public Library by:

- Donating Materials
- Becoming a Volunteer
- Purchasing a Membership

For more information, call the First Floor Bookshop at
(608) 789-7149 or visit our website at:

lacrosselibrary.org/about/friends-library

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

☐ Renewal

☐ Family: \$25

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

☐ Lifetime: \$500

☐ Special gift: _____ (please indicate amount)

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

☐ Cash

I'd like to receive my newsletter via:

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

☐ U.S. Mail

Contact me to volunteer:

☐ Book shop

☐ Sorting books

☐ Special events

Please return to:

Friends of the La Crosse Public Library
800 Main Street
La Crosse, WI 54601