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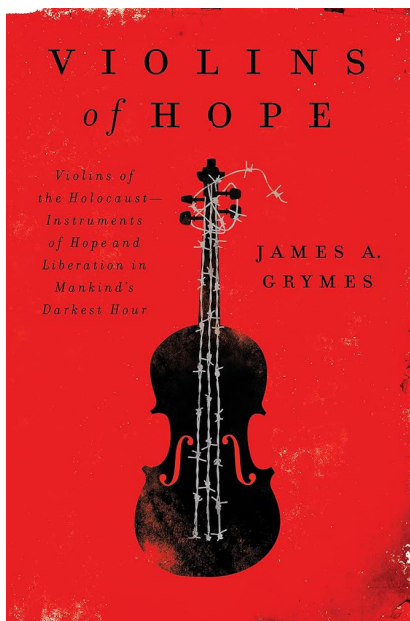
EVENT CALENDAR

☘ MARCH 2025

Some events may require registration. Check with your branch or online. | Adults must accompany children. | Materials provided unless otherwise noted.

AuthorTalk

with **Dr. James A. Grymes**,
author of *Violins of Hope: Instruments of Hope
and Liberation in Mankind's Darkest Hour*



**March 9
@ 2:00**

**East Tennessee
History Center**
601 S. Gay St.



A stirring testament to the resilience of the human spirit and the transformative power of music, *Violins of Hope* recounts the extraordinary journeys of violins played by Jewish musicians during the Holocaust—and of the Israeli violinmaker devoted to restoring these cherished instruments. Each instrument holds a uniquely compelling and poignant story, interwoven with one man's deeply personal struggle to reconcile his own family's past with the larger history of his people. Profoundly moving and deeply insightful, this book illuminates the legacy of the Holocaust through the lens of music and memory.

This event is free and open to the public. Many thanks to John and Wanda Sobieski for their generous support of this and other Library programs.

*Dr. James A. Grymes, an internationally respected musicologist and critically acclaimed author, was awarded the National Jewish Book Award for *Violins of Hope*.*



Violins of Hope

STRINGS OF THE HOLOCAUST

The Violins of Hope project features performances, exhibitions, and educational programs that invite communities to reflect on survival, resilience, and hope through a collection of over 50 violins that survived the Holocaust.

For schedules and ticket information, visit violinsofhopeknox.com

EXHIBITION

March 3–April 9
Digital Motif (108 S. Gay St.)

Learn the personal stories behind each violin. Discover how these instruments survived the horrors of concentration camps and ghettos. Explore interactive exhibits that delve into the history of the Holocaust and the role music played during that time. Free and open to the public.

CONCERTS

March 5 & April 8
Tenn. Theatre (604 S. Gay St.)

These ticketed concerts will feature restored violins played by Jewish musicians during the Holocaust, bringing their stories of resilience and survival to life. The Knoxville Symphony Orchestra will perform two special concerts, giving voice to these historic instruments.

STORYTIMES

Lawson McGhee Library

Baby	Thurs.	10:30
Toddler	Wed.	10:00
Preschool	Wed.	11:00

Bearden Branch Library

Baby	Fri.	10:30
Toddler	Wed.	10:15
Preschool	Tues.	10:15

Burlington Branch Library

Preschool	Tues.	10:30
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Carter Branch Library

Preschool	Tues.	1:30
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Cedar Bluff Branch

Baby	Tues.	10:30
Baby	Tues.	11:15
Toddler	Wed.	10:30
Toddler	Wed.	11:15
Preschool	Thurs.	10:30

Farragut Branch Library

Baby	Wed.	10:30
Toddler	Thurs.	10:30
Preschool	Mon.	10:30
Ready, Set, K!	Tues.	10:30

Fountain City Branch

Baby	Fri.	11:00
Preschool	Fri.	10:15

Halls Branch Library

Baby	Fri.	10:30
Toddler	Wed.	10:30
Preschool	Wed.	11:00

Howard Pinkston Branch

Preschool	Wed.	10:30
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Karns Branch Library

Toddler	Wed.	10:30
Preschool	Wed.	11:00

North Knoxville Branch

Preschool	Wed.	11:00
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Norwood Branch Library

Baby	Wed.	10:00
Preschool	Wed.	11:00

Powell Branch Library

Baby	Wed.	10:30
Preschool	Fri.	10:30
Pajama	Thurs.	6:30
<i>First Thurs. of each month</i>		

Sequoyah Branch Library

Preschool	Thurs.	10:30
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South Knoxville Branch

Preschool	Mon.	10:30
After School	Tues.	3:30
Preschool	Wed.	10:30



BOOKS

Library Book Clubs

Check out future dates online to read ahead!

<i>Overbooked: Books About Food</i>		
Mar 1	Halls	3:00 PM
<i>Halls Literary Social Hour</i>		
Mar 4	Halls	1:00 PM
<i>SoKno Silent Book Club</i>		
Mar 7	South Knoxville	3:00 PM
<i>Cookbook Club</i>		
Mar 8	Norwood	11:00 AM
<i>History Parlor</i>		
Mar 10	East TN History Center	9:30 AM
<i>All Over the Page</i>		
Mar 10	Lawson McGhee	6:30 PM
<i>Evening Reads</i>		
Mar 17	Bearden	6:00 PM
<i>Pop Culture Book Club</i>		
Mar 18	Bearden	6:00 PM
<i>Cedar Bluff Book Circle</i>		
Mar 20	Cedar Bluff	1:00 PM
<i>Monday Night Book Club</i>		
Mar 31	Fountain City	6:00 PM
<i>Friends of the Library Used Book Sales</i>		
Mar 8	Powell	10–5 PM

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Curious Minds

A library is a lot like a lab—it's a place you can go to wonder and investigate. That makes you a scientist! Join Read City USA and wonder, investigate, or share your knowledge like scientists Albert Einstein, Marie Curie, and Isaac Newton!

Pick up a gameboard at any library location now through March 16 to join in the fun and get inquisitive!

Return to the library every 5 activities completed to claim your prize.

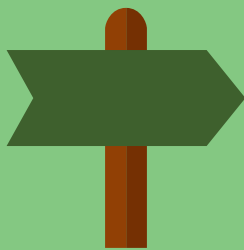
Led by Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs, READ CITY USA is a collaborative initiative of Knox County Government, Knox County Public Library, Knox County Schools, and other community organizations to help all children learn to read early and well, thereby reaching their full potential in school and in life.



LEGO® and Building Clubs

Look for building clubs at 8 library locations! (Bearden, Burlington, Cedar Bluff, Farragut, Halls, Howard Pinkston, Karns, and Powell). Search our online calendar for a time and location that suits your family.

LEGOs® are provided by the library and cannot be taken home. LEGO® and MEGA BLOKS do not sponsor, authorize or endorse these events.



Storybook Trails

Visit Storybook Trails at West View Park, Collier Preserve (next to Powell Branch Library), Ijams Nature Center, Beverly Park, and Angora Frog Farms.

Directory

(865) area code

- Lawson McGhee 215-8750
- Bearden 588-8813
- Burlington 525-5431
- Carter 933-5438
- Cedar Bluff 470-7033
- Corryton 688-1501
- Farragut 777-1750
- Fountain City 689-2681
- Halls 922-2552
- Howard Pinkston 573-0436
- Karns 470-8663
- Mascot 933-2620
- Murphy 521-7812
- North Knoxville 525-7036
- Norwood 688-2454
- Powell 947-6210
- Sequoyah 525-1541
- South Knoxville 573-1772

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CHILDREN & FAMILY

Saturday Stories & Songs

These programs highlight a variety of talented storytellers, musicians, and performers. Funded by the Margaret Dickson Bequest.

Mar 1	Norwood	Hominy Mamas	11:00 AM
Mar 8	Cedar Bluff	Knox Kindermusik	11:00 AM
Mar 15	Bearden	Knox Symphony	11:00 AM
Mar 22	Lawson McGhee	Knox Opera	11:00 AM
Mar 29	South Knox	Lisa Clow	11:00 AM



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MON MAR 3 Dr. Seuss and Resource Use

HALLS | 3:00 PM
Learn about renewable and non-renewable resources along with a storytime of *The Lorax* by Dr. Seuss.

TUES MAR 4 Full STEAM Ahead: Seuss STEM Fun

HALLS | 11:00 AM
Ages 3-5 | Activities and opportunities to explore STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) principles.



March Crafts

Stop by for a craft that's fun for the whole family!

Clay Food Art			
Mar 4	Howard Pinkston		6:00 PM
Leprechaun Magnets			
Mar 6	Halls		5:00 PM
Mixed Media Yarn Painting			
Mar 18	Howard Pinkston		6:00 PM
Children's Bug Boxes			
Mar 26	Cedar Bluff		5:00 PM



THUR MAR 6 Family Game Night
BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM
Bring the family and come join us for a fun-filled board and video game night.

Crafternoons

Ages 3+ | A safe place for kids to gather, work on social and motor skills, and just have fun.

Mar 7	Halls	4:00 PM
Mar 20	South Knoxville	4:00 PM
Mar 21	Cedar Bluff	3:30 PM

TUES MAR 11 To the Moon and Beyond

HALLS | 6:00 PM
Ages 5-17 | Learn about astronomy and explore space with a telescope with the Smoky Mountain Astronomical Society.



TUES MAR 11 STEAM: Build a Leprechaun Trap
CARTER | 6:00 PM
Grades K-8 | Use engineering concepts to build your own leprechaun trap!

THUR MAR 13 Bearden STEM Club
BEARDEN | 3:30 PM
Grades 1-5 | Learn about Science, Tech., Engineering, & Math through design, construction, & experimentation!

Special Storytimes

Join us for these unique storytime events. Look for weekly storytimes on the front page or online.

Mar 14	Farragut	Once Upon...	10:30 AM
Mar 31	Farragut	After School	4:00 PM



SAT MAR 15 Storytime Saturdays with the Author: Angelica Shirley Carpenter
LAWSON MCGHEE | 11:00 AM
This month, join us for a Zoom storytime with the author of the biographical picture book, *The Secret Gardens of Frances Hodgson Burnett*. Books will be available for purchase.

MON MAR 24 Museum Mondays: The Muse – Stem Structures
HALLS | 4:00 PM
Grades K-2 | Join the MUSE and collaborate with a partner to complete a set of engineering challenges.



WED MAR 26 Early Release Day Fun: Superhero Academy
LAWSON MCGHEE | 2:00 PM
Do you have what it takes to be a superhero? Come practice your skills and face fun challenges to find out!

ADULTS



SAT MAR 1 Ask a Master Gardener
NORWOOD | 10:00 AM
Have gardening questions? Come by and Ask a Master Gardener!

SAT MAR 1 WORKSHOP: Intermediate Genealogy
EAST TN HISTORY CENTER | 1:00 PM
Explore advanced techniques for genealogical research with a special focus on primary sources. Come with research!

MON MAR 3 Lap Craft Club
FARRAGUT | 6:00 PM
Join us for an hour of casual crafting. Bring your own supplies. Books displayed and snacks provided.

MON MAR 10 You CAN Craft: Easy Crafts for Adults
NORWOOD | 6:00 PM
Make easy crafts geared toward adults that want to express their artistic side.

MON MAR 10 DIY Book Pavers
CEDAR BLUFF | 6:00 PM
Create book-shaped pavers painted in vibrant colors to liven up your space.

MON MAR 10 Fabric Picture Frame
SEQUOYAH | 6:00 PM
Ages 13+ | Use fabric scraps to create a unique picture frame.

TUES MAR 11 Mastering Medicare: Turning 65
CEDAR BLUFF | 1:00 PM
Gain in-depth knowledge of your Medicare options.

TUES MAR 11 Reference Resources: Databases & Apps
BEARDEN | 5:30 PM
Join us for a presentation on free library databases and apps!

THUR MAR 13 Mommy Storytime
SOUTH KNOXVILLE | 11:00 AM
Ages 18+ | A story time for grown-ups! Hear stories and talk about books you've read while doing crafts.

THUR MAR 13 Tropes and Trivia
SOUTH KNOXVILLE | 4:00 PM
Ages 15+ | What's your bookish IQ? Test what you know about the material in your library.

THUR MAR 13 Paper Art
BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM
Ages 14+ | Make crafts like quilling, jewelry-making, book folding, baskets.

THUR MAR 13 The Stitching Station
HALLS | 6:00 PM
Bring any soft lap craft (knitting, crochet, embroidery, etc.) and come stitch with us!

FRI MAR 14 Paper Art
BURLINGTON | 10:00 AM
Ages 14+ | Make crafts like quilling, jewelry-making, book folding, baskets.

SAT MAR 15 The Chronicles of Yarnia!
CEDAR BLUFF | 12:00 PM
Ages 13+ | Knit, crochet, and create with fellow yarn enthusiasts, share ideas, and check out provided craft books.



SUN MAR 16 Daytime Docs Film Series - Maiden (2018)
LAWSON MCGHEE | 2:00 PM
This film follows the story of 24-year-old Tracy Edwards, who became the skipper of the first ever all-female crew to enter the Whitbread Round the World Race in 1989.

THUR MAR 20 Reference Resources: Jobseeking 101
BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM
Learn about job posting sites, scams to avoid, and get resume and interview tips.

THUR MAR 20 Norwood Cross Stitch Guild
NORWOOD | 6:00 PM
Ages 13+ | Intermediate and advanced stitchers can work together on larger on-going projects.

TUES MAR 25 Scrapbooking Club
HALLS | 6:00 PM
Bring your own scrapbook for a relaxed scrapbooking session.

TUES MAR 25 Brush Hour
KARNS | 6:30 PM
Ages 13+ | A no skills necessary painting class for teens and adults.

THUR MAR 27 Scrabble and Snacks
FARRAGUT | 6:00 PM
Spell your way into a triple-word score and enjoy a new snack mix!

THUR MAR 27 Social Security Disability 101
CEDAR BLUFF | 6:30 PM
Learn useful and accurate information about how the Social Security Disability benefit system works.

SAT MAR 29 Author Talk with Dr. Lin Stepp
HALLS | 1:00 PM
Join local author, Dr. Lin Stepp for an afternoon book talk.

TEENS



TUES MAR 11 Teen Book Club
HALLS | 5:00 PM
Come join us for an hour of talking about your favorite reads.