

Off the Shelf

EVENT CALENDAR

APRIL 2025

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

Batter Up!

with Knox County Public Library

The crack of the bat is the consummate sound of spring! We're excited to celebrate all things baseball in anticipation of the new stadium. The East Tennessee History Center is putting a spotlight on America's favorite pastime and our ties to the game over the years.

Home Runs & Home Teams | Mar. 22 – Sept. 28

Walk through this hands-on overview of our national pastime as it has played out in the Volunteer State. As you "round the bases," you'll explore stories of Bill Meyer, the Negro Leagues, the origins of the game in Tennessee, and the iconic ballpark experience. For every story included in the exhibition, there are hundreds more – from players to pennants, from bat makers to bat boys – that we hope you will share with us.

Downtown Walking Tour: Baseball & Other Sports

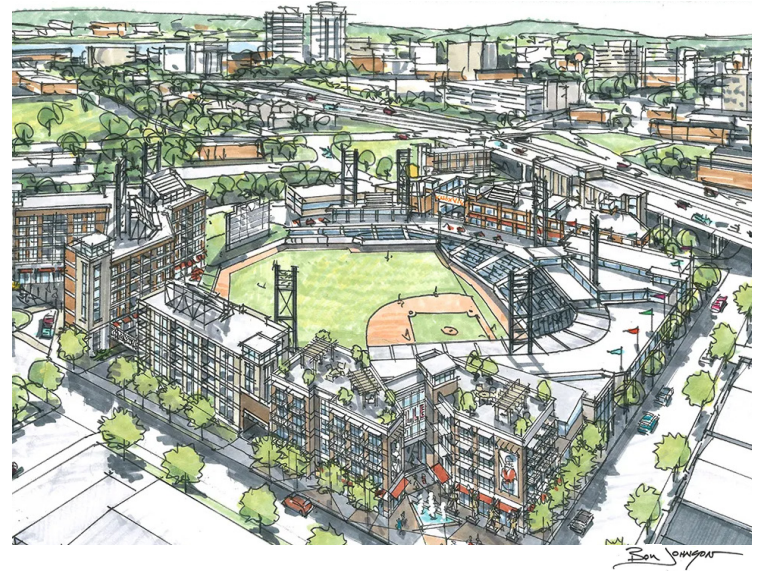
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LAWSON MCGHEE | 10:30

Long before UT went orange, Knoxville's athletes ran, jumped, and rolled to excellence in all kinds of sports and games.

Join Laura Still to learn more about the amateurs, professionals, contenders, and champions who played their way into history.

(REGISTER ONLINE WITH A LIBRARY CARD)

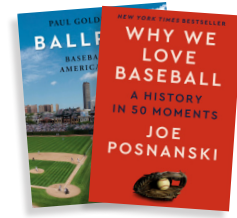


Explore Baseball at the Library

Check out these books and movies, plus so many more, at the library as we prepare for baseball time in Tennessee!



Children's Reads



Adult Reads



Movie Night

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
First Thurs. of each month		

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!

Halls Literary Social Hour

Apr 1	Halls	1:00 PM
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Overbooked: Books About Spring

Apr 5	Halls	3:00 PM
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Farragut Book Club

Apr 7	Farragut	6:00 PM
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History Parlor

Apr 10	East TN History Center	9:30 AM
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All Over the Page

Apr 14	Lawson McGhee	6:30 PM
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Pop Culture Book Club

Apr 15	Bearden	6:00 PM
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Cedar Bluff Book Circle

Apr 17	Cedar Bluff	1:00 PM
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Cookbook Club

Apr 19	Norwood	11:00 AM
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Evening Reads

Apr 21	Bearden	6:00 PM
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Monday Night Book Club

Apr 28	Farragut	6:00 PM
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Friends of the Library Used Book Sales

Apr 12	Sequoyah	10-5 PM
Apr 25 & 26	Farragut	10-5 PM

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Children's Festival of Reading

Save the Date!

We're busy planning the AWARD-WINNING 19th Children's Festival of Reading set for May 17, from 10 to 3 in World's Fair Park.

Join us for world-class authors and illustrators, storytellers, musicians, science demonstrations, arts & crafts, and so much more!

Stay tuned for a full schedule of authors, performers, and fun activities.



The Beat: A Poetry Podcast

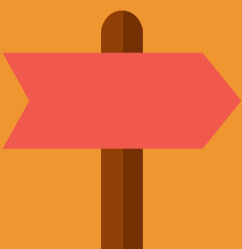
Join host Alan May as he introduces a poet and we hear a few poems every session. The Beat will be recording and posting April's All Over the Page session with Denton Loving to celebrate poetry month.



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



TUES APR 1
Full STEAM Ahead: Peep Science
 HALLS | 11:00 AM
 Ages 3-5 | Activities and opportunities to explore STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) principles.

Special Storytimes

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

Apr 1 Fountain City Knox Symphony 11:00 AM
 Apr 4 Farragut Once Upon... 10:30 AM
 Apr 28 Farragut After School 4:00 PM



April Crafts
 Stop by for a craft that's fun for the whole family!
Tiny Masterpieces: Window View
 Apr 1 Howard Pinkston 6:00 PM
Salt Painting
 Apr 14 Sequoyah 6:00 PM
DIY Beaded Bookmarks
 Apr 15 Halls 4:30 PM
DIY Spring Wall Hanging
 Apr 17 Halls 4:00 PM

THUR APR 3
Family Game Night
 BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM
 Bring the family and come join us for a fun-filled board and video game night.



THUR APR 3
Spring Stuffy Sleepover
 POWELL | 6:30 PM
 Put on your favorite jammies and bring your best stuffed friend to let them spend a night in the library! Stuffies may be dropped off after a fun storytime and may be picked up on Saturday (4/5) along with a scrapbook of all their fun library adventures!

Crafternoons

Ages 3+ | Develop social and motor skills while having fun with arts and crafts onsite or at home.

Apr 4 Halls 4:00 PM

Saturday Stories & Songs

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

Apr 5 Powell Jodie Manross 11:00 AM
 Apr 12 Farragut Knox Kindermusik 11:00 AM



MON APR 7
Drawn to the Library - Illustrator Workshop
 BEARDEN | 3:30 PM
 Kick off National Library Week by exploring the creative process of book illustration with local children's book author and illustrator, Daniel Wiseman.

THUR APR 10
Bearden STEM Club
 BEARDEN | 3:30 PM
 Grades 1-5 | Learn about Science, Tech., Engineering, & Math through design, construction, & experimentation!

THUR APR 10
Construction Junction: Building for Young Engineers
 HALLS | 4:00 PM
 Play with building sets and share books on engineering and building.

MON APR 14
Museum Mondays: KMA presents Creating Patterns
 HALLS | 4:00 PM
 Grades K-2 | Join the Knoxville Museum of Art and create pattern together.

MON APR 21
Full STEAM Ahead
 NORWOOD | 2:00 PM
 Ages 3-5 | Activities and opportunities to explore STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) principles.



TUES APR 22
Stuffed Animal Sleepover
 BURLINGTON | ALL DAY
 Bring your best stuffed friend to let them spend a night in the library! Stuffies may be dropped off anytime or during preschool story time and may be picked up after 4pm on Thursday (4/24) along with a scrapbook of all their fun library adventures!



TUES APR 22
STEAM: Celebrate Earth Day
 CARTER | 6:00 PM
 Grades K-8 | Celebrate Earth Day by learning how to take care of our planet, doing hands-on activities, and making a birdfeeder from recyclable items.

ADULTS

Tech Help Tuesdays

Join us every Tuesday for one-on-one tech help! Whether you need help setting up an email account, navigating programs like Word or Excel, or troubleshooting the Libby app, we're here to assist you with your basic computer needs.

Apr 1 Lawson McGhee 12-1
 Apr 8 Lawson McGhee 12-1
 Apr 15 Lawson McGhee 12-1
 Apr 22 Lawson McGhee 12-1
 Apr 29 Lawson McGhee 12-1



SUN APR 6
Daytime Docs Film Series - Songs of Earth (2023)
 LAWSON MCGHEE | 2:00 PM
 For National Poetry Month, experience Norway as Olin follows her 85-year-old father through a year in the natural surroundings of Oldedalen in Vestland, accompanied by the musical harmonies of nature.

Job Help Mondays

Join us every Monday for job help! Searching for a job can be stressful. Need help with your resume? Not sure where to look for work? Curious about a career change? Meet with a reference librarian for help! Bring your questions and relevant job information.

Apr 7 Lawson McGhee 12-1
 Apr 14 Lawson McGhee 12-1
 Apr 21 Lawson McGhee 12-1
 Apr 28 Lawson McGhee 12-1



MON APR 7
You CAN Craft: Easy Crafts for Adults
 NORWOOD | 6:00 PM
 Make easy crafts geared toward adults that want to express their artistic side.

TUES APR 8
Mastering Medicare: Turning 65
 CEDAR BLUFF | 1:00 PM
 Gain in-depth knowledge of your Medicare options.

THUR APR 10
The Hobby Corner
 HALLS | 6:00 PM
 Bring your portable craft project and supplies and come craft with us!

THUR APR 10
Beginner's Cross-Stitch
 NORWOOD | 6:00 PM
 Ages 13+ | This program is for beginners to learn cross-stitch basics. Each month we will stitch a different design.

THUR APR 10
Social Security Disability 101
 CEDAR BLUFF | 6:30 PM
 Learn useful and accurate information about how the Social Security Disability benefit system works.

SAT APR 12
Ask a Master Gardener
 NORWOOD | 10:00 AM
 Have gardening questions? Come by and Ask a Master Gardener!

SAT APR 12
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.

MON APR 14
Spring Fabric Bunnies and Chicks
 CEDAR BLUFF | 6:00 PM
 Ages 13+ | Create cute spring critters!



THUR APR 17
Norwood Cross Stitch Guild
 NORWOOD | 6:00 PM
 Ages 13+ | Intermediate and advanced stitchers can work together on larger on-going projects.

THUR APR 17
Scrabble and Snacks
 FARRAGUT | 6:00 PM
 Spell your way into a triple-word score and enjoy a new snack mix!

SAT APR 19
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!

SAT APR 19
Anxiety Bookcases: Miniature Books
 KARNs | 2:00 PM
 Ages 13+ | Discover the joy of crafting teeny, tiny things.



MON APR 24
Watercolors for Beginners
 CEDAR BLUFF | 6:00 PM
 Learn basic techniques and tools for creating watercolor artwork.

TUES APR 29
Brush Hour
 KARNs | 6:30 PM
 Ages 13+ | A no skills necessary painting class for teens and adults.

TEENS



TUES APR 8
Teen Book Club
 HALLS | 5:00 PM
 Come join us for an hour of talking about your favorite reads.