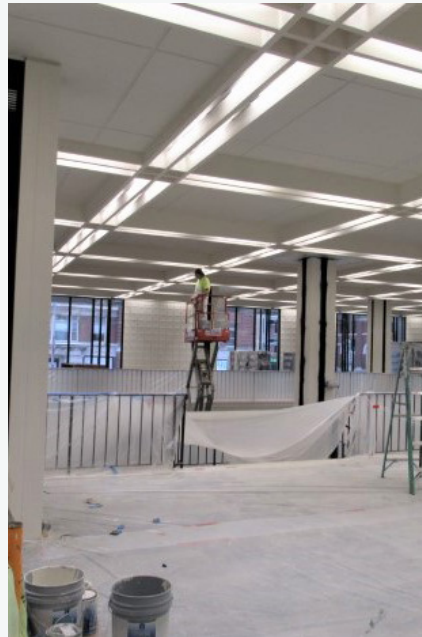


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A New Chapter. E.D. Stone Main St. Library Renovation 2020-21



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First floor opening brick wall to new meeting rooms.

First floor new carpet.

Second floor new paint.

First floor wall opening for new Teen Area.

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321 Main Street

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Tues	9:00 am - 8:00 pm*
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Thurs	9:00 am - 8:00 pm*
Fri	9:00 am - 5:30 pm
Sat	9:00 am - 5:30 pm
Sun	CLOSED

*Special Collections closes at 5:30 pm

The Library | EASTERN

6000 Eastern Avenue

Mon	12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Tues	9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Wed	12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Thurs	9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Fri	9:00 am - 5:30 pm
Sat	9:00 am - 5:30 pm
Sun	CLOSED

The Library | FAIRMOUNT

3000 N. Fairmount Street

Mon	9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Tues	12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Wed	9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Thurs	12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Fri	9:00 am - 5:30 pm
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Library Personnel Updates

Welcome to Our New Employees

Ben Pezley - PT Assistant Caretaker

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Congratulations! Retirements

Pat Richardson - Special Collections Principal Clerk (52 Years)

Chris Holifield - Tech Acquisitions Clerk (36 Years)

Shelley Sterbenz - CSD Sr. Clerk (14 Years)

Jennifer Williams, Operations Manager

Bookstore News

The Fairmount Bookstore re-opened Feb. 1st and is accepting items donated when the volunteers are present. Operating hours are Mon, Wed, Fri, & Sat. 10am – 2 pm, and Tues & Thurs 1pm – 5pm. The Fairmount Bookstore is still looking for volunteers who are willing to work a 2-hour shift and may select from a variety of times during the month. If interested you can apply online at davenportlibrary.com or at the bookstore.

Both Eastern and Fairmount bookstores will feature items about Nature, Pets and Gardening during March and April. Fairmount will have a B.O.G.O. sale April 26th through May 1st.

Ann Franke & Carol Wagner, FRIENDS' Volunteers




New Magazines now available!

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You can access these eMagazines by selecting RiverShare OverDrive from our website's Online Resources page or by using the Libby app. Since these Advantage titles are only available to Davenport cardholders, remember to Sign In with your card number to see them.

You may choose to borrow the most recent issue or click “Select Another Issue” to look for back issues.

Issues will automatically clear your OverDrive account at the end of the loan period, so there are never any fines.

Valerie Farrar, Branch Supervisor

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2020 QC Beats Winners

We are pleased to announce the artists selected as the 2020 QC Beats winners! They will be added to a growing collection of local musicians that is now four years old. QC Beats also features local venues and local recording studios!



The winners this year are:

Textures
Seth Knappen
David G. Smith
Caustic Crush
Lonesome Jones
Rude Punch

To listen to this year's winners and more, go to qcbeats.org.

Kathryn Kuntz, Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Supervisor
Bill Fuhr, Information Services Librarian

Special Collections is Accepting Donations!

The Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center is accepting donations of local history materials. We are interested in old ledgers, meeting minutes, directories, account books, newsletters, correspondence, photographs of the associated building or people, or anything pertaining to area businesses and organizations.

Please contact us with inquiries at 563-326-7902, or use the “Contact Us” form on our website.

Kathryn Kuntz, Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Supervisor

Library Closings

All library locations will be closed:

April 2

May 31

Did You Know?

Board Games & Puzzles

Did you know that you can check out board games and puzzles from the Library? Search the catalog for “board games” or “jigsaw puzzles.”





Ancestry Library Edition at Home

Ancestry Library Edition, usually only accessible at the Library, is available to Davenport Public Library cardholders at home until March 31st. With over 1.2 billion records in over 3,000 databases, Ancestry Library Edition is the most comprehensive source of information for conducting genealogical and local history research available. Go to <https://bit.ly/dpl-ancestry> or watch this short video to get started. <http://bit.ly/dpl-ancestryvideo>.

E.D. Stone Main St. Library Renovation

The renovation project at the Main Library is coming along! By the time this newsletter is published we will hopefully be only a few weeks away from reopening. We appreciate everyone's patience as we know that folks who use the Main Library have certainly been inconvenienced by our closure. We initially planned to do the renovation in phases and keep at least parts of the building open – but given the incredible amount of noise and mess associated with the project, closing the building was the right decision. We have included a few images so you can see the progress as of early February. Some of the new carpet has been installed on the west side of the building, the ceiling for the new study rooms is taking shape and the new teen area is awaiting finishing.



New first floor study rooms

While the pandemic means we won't be able to have a big celebration for our re-opening we hope everyone will stop by at some point to see the changes. We hope you'll agree that the Library is better equipped to serve your needs and that the stunning architecture of the building shows to great advantage.

Amy Groskopf, Library Director

Tiffany D. Jackson Virtual Author Visit

Tuesday, March 9th at 10:00 am | Zoom

The Davenport Public Library and the Rock Island Public Library are excited to announce a virtual visit with award-winning young adult author, Tiffany D. Jackson!

The Libraries have been working on bringing Ms. Jackson to the Quad Cities ever since Jason Reynolds, award-winning author and National Ambassador for Young People's Literature, listed her as the author everyone should be reading during his own visit to the Davenport Public Library in 2019. Although we were disappointed to have to cancel an in-person, multi-stop visit with Tiffany D. Jackson in the Spring of 2020 due to COVID-19, we are happy to welcome her into the classrooms and home-learning spaces of students on both sides of the Mississippi River.

Ms. Jackson is the author of five young adult novels: *Allegedly*, *Monday's Not Coming*, *Let Me Hear a Rhyme*, *Grown*, and *The Awakening of Malcolm X* and was the recipient of the 2019 Coretta Scott King Book Awards John Steptoe Award for New Talent. You can find more about Tiffany D. Jackson and her work on her website: www.writeinbk.com or at your local library.



This event was made possible due to numerous grants and support from Sam's Club, Walmart, Rock Island Rotary, Rock Island Kiwanis, North Scott Rotary, First Book, the Scott County Juvenile Detention Center, the Rock Island/Milan School District 41, and the Davenport Community School District.

If any teen (ages 11-19) is interested in attending the Tiffany D. Jackson virtual author visit and does not attend a school that currently has a partnership with the Davenport or Rock Island Public Library, please contact Amber Carlson at acarlson@davenportlibrary.com for information.

Amber Carlson, Youth Services & Programming Librarian



Nature Explorer Kits

The Davenport Public Library is pleased to announce their partnership with Nahant Marsh to assemble and distribute Nature Explorer Kits to the children of Davenport. In March, the kit's themes will be "Let's Go Fly a Kite!" & "Spring Has Sprung." Those interested in participating in this program must go to davenportlibrary.libcal.com to reserve a kit. Kits are limited and will be announced on our social media so please be sure to follow the Davenport Public Library on Facebook and Instagram for the notifications.

Baby Storytime

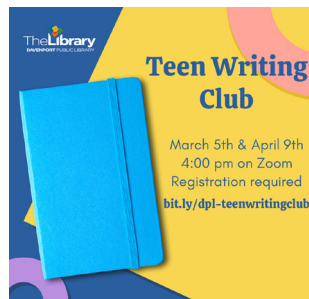
Tuesdays at 10am | Facebook Live

Join us on Facebook Live for a special Storytime presentation developed for your 0-12-month-old! Introduce your baby to our favorite stories, rhymes, and fingerplays as you settle in and enjoy some fun-filled one-on-one time.

Teen Writing Club

March 5th & April 9th at 4:00 pm | Zoom

The Library invites teens (ages 11-19) who are writers or interested in writing to join a new Teen Writing Club! The club will meet online via Zoom once a month to discuss their current writing projects, learn about particular writing styles and forms, and pick the brains of guest speakers. Teens will also have the option to participate in short weekly writing prompts via text or email. Registration required.



Teen Online Book Club

March 25th & April 15 at 4:00 pm | Zoom

All teens (ages 11-19) are invited to join the Library's Teen Online Book Club! We are currently meeting using Zoom, but teens can also participate on their own without attending the Zoom sessions. Once you register for the book club, you will receive email updates from Miss Amber, monthly Zoom meeting details, and optional text message reminders. In March, we're reading "The Last Dragonslayer" by Jasper Fforde. In April, "They Both Die at the End" by Adam Silvera. Please join in anytime!

Teen Advisory Board

Third Tuesdays, March 16th & April 20th at 6:30 pm | Zoom

All teens (ages 11-19) are invited to join the Library's Teen Advisory Board for our meeting on Zoom! TAB Members participate in an online teen programming, volunteer-from-home activities and give their opinions on how to make the Library awesome by attending virtual meetings and filling out online surveys. Contact Amber Carlson, Youth Services & Programming Librarian if you are interested in joining the Teen Advisory Board at acarlson@davenportlibrary.com.



1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

We know that strong readers go on to become lifelong learners, but almost 40% of today's children start kindergarten without the skills needed for success. The best way to prepare children for school and beyond? Introduce them to books as soon as possible.

This year, the Davenport Public Library will re-launch 1000 Books Before Kindergarten – a nationwide program that encourages parents to take an active role in their child's literacy development.

This program would not be possible without the generosity of the FRIENDS of the Davenport Public Library and people like you!



Reorganize your Space

Saturday, March 6th at 2:00 pm | Zoom

It can be overwhelming and emotional dealing with accumulated papers, mementos, and general household items in times of transition. Lean on Me is a certified senior move manager and organizing coach in the Quad Cities and Chicago. Join us for this virtual presentation and hear their downsizing/rightsizing solutions one step at a time. Registration is required to receive Zoom meeting details.

WWI Lecture Series

Second Wednesdays, March 10th & April 14th at 6:00 pm | Virtual

Join Kevin Braafladt, the Army Sustainment Command Deputy Historian at the Rock Island Arsenal and the Army Sustainment Command History Office in exploring the history of World War I. In March, join us for a discussion of the United States mobilization and training for the war. In April, delve deeper into First World War history by learning about Quad Cities and Rock Island Arsenal historical ties. Information about how to join will be listed on the Library's Calender of Events at davenportlibrary.libcal.com.



Recommended Reads: Women's History Month

Thursday, March 11th at 2:30 pm | Facebook & Instagram Live

Join us as our librarians discuss materials that focus on women's history that can be found in the Library's collection.



New Releases at Fairmount

Every Monday, March 1st - April 26th at 2:00 pm | Facebook Live & Instagram Live

Curious what new materials are available at Fairmount? Join us on Facebook Live & Instagram Live as we talk about new additions to the Library's collection that can be found at Fairmount. Whether it be books, audio books, video games, or movies, our librarians will be on hand to talk about items that are new to our collection and ready for you to check out!

Iowa Statehood Book Club

March 3rd, June 2nd, Sept. 1st, & Dec. 1st at 6:30 pm | GoToMeeting

Join us all year in celebrating the 175th Anniversary of Iowa Statehood by discussing books relating to Iowa History. We will be starting off the conversation of each of the four books selected by the State Historical Society of Iowa's Iowa History Book Club. We will be offering a local perspective with the help of the staff of the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center.



Books are available through the Rivershare Library Catalog. This program is meeting virtually using GoTo Meeting. Information about how to join will be listed on the Library's Calender of Events at davenportlibrary.libcal.com

March - "Iowa: The Middle Land" by Dorothy Schwieder

June - "Equal Before the Law: How Iowa Led Americans to Marriage Equality" by Marc Hansen and Tom Witosky

The State Historical Society's Iowa History Book Club schedule can be found here: <https://iowaculture.gov/Iowa-History-Book-Club>



World Storytelling Day

Friday, March 19th at 3:00 pm | Facebook & Instagram Live

Join us as we celebrate World Storytelling Day a bit early and read our favorite stories to you! Share your favorite stories online and be sure to tag the Library. This program will be presented on Facebook Live and Instagram Live.



River Resilience

Saturday, April 17th | Zoom

Why have 7 of Davenport's 15 worst floods occurred in the last 12 years? Join our ALA-funded panel of experts as they view climate change through the lens of worsening local Mississippi River flooding. Interact with our Zoom panel including representatives of the National Weather Service, Army Corps of Engineers, Western Illinois University, and the City of Davenport. More information about the event will be listed on the Library's Calendar of Events at davenportlibrary.libcal.com.

Asian Carp

Saturday, April 3rd at 2:00 pm | Zoom

Asian Carp are literally jumping into Midwestern boats. Join our Zoom with Illinois DNR to learn about the culinary possibilities for this unlimited fish. Please register for this event so you can receive the login information for Zoom.

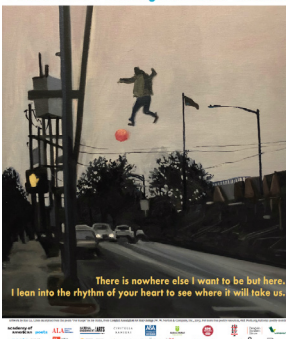
DIY Poetry Series

Tuesdays, April 6th, 13th, 20th, & 27th at 3:00 pm | GoToMeeting

Help us celebrate National Poetry Month by creating poetry. Each Tuesday in April, we will be discussing a different kind of poetry and then trying our hands at creating it!

A limited number of kits will be available which contain some but not all of the materials needed. You do NOT need a kit to participate in this program. Please register if you would like a kit. This program is meeting virtually using GoTo Meeting. Information about how to join will be listed on the Library's Calendar of Events at davenportlibrary.libcal.com.

National Poetry Month April 2021
Celebrating 20 years



Estate Planning

Wednesday, April 7th at 6:30 pm | Zoom

Do you have questions about estate planning? Do you wonder if you even need to do any estate planning? Join Jaime Ragins and Ray Kozicki from the Society of Financial Awareness as they discuss different aspects of estate planning. Please register for this event so you can receive the login information for Zoom.

Decoding the Weather Machine Documentary Discussion

Thursday, April 8th at 6:00 pm | Zoom

In time for Earth Day 2021, let's talk climate change with a discussion of *Decoding the Weather Machine*. Be sure to view the stream of the NOVA episode online or check out our copy of the DVD and bring your thoughts. Please register for this event so you can receive the login information for Zoom.



Shred Day

April 22nd 1:00pm - 4:00 pm | Eastern

The Davenport Public Library is partnering with Oelerich, Reiling, & Miller PC & Shred-It to present Free Shred Day on Thursday, April 22nd from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm at the Davenport Eastern Avenue Branch.

Community members can bring up to three standard file containers, maximum size 15 x 12 x 10 inches, for secure shredding. Documents will be confidentially shredded on-site. Binders must be removed, but staples and paperclips are fine.

Due to COVID-19, our vendor has requested that everyone wear a mask and gloves. People bringing in material must stay in their vehicles and tell us where the material is located in the vehicle. Do not get out of your car.

Documents to be shredded will not be accepted prior to the event. Weather permitting, shredding will happen in the parking lot.



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First Fridays at 2:30 pm | GoToMeeting

Join us on the first Friday of every month to explore and learn about the curious world of archives and manuscripts at the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center.

Each month, we will cover a different topic relating to the use and study of archives and manuscripts. We will feature collections and examples of relevant materials during each presentation. These programs will be held virtually using GoToMeeting. Information about how to join will be listed on the Library's Calendar of Events at davenportlibrary.libcal.com/

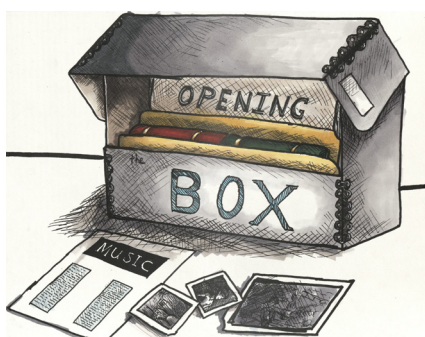


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