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*Special Collections closes at 5pm
**Special Collections open Saturday
9am-12pm and 1pm-5pm

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Book Store News

In October, the Book Stores will feature Horror and Science Fiction books and movies. Fairmount will have its "Buy One Get One" free sale Oct. 25-30.

November's features will be Christmas items and cookbooks. The Fairmount Book Store will be closed Nov. 25, 26, & 27 for Thanksgiving.

Ann Franke, FRIENDS' Volunteer



Library Personnel Updates

Welcome to Our New Employees

Anna VerCautren - Substitute Employee

End of Term. Good Luck!

Satoria Williams - AmeriCorps Youth Outreach Member

Jennifer Williams, Library Operations Manager

Library Closings

All three library locations will be closed on the following days:

November 11 - Veterans Day

November 25 & 26 - Thanksgiving

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A Davenport Public Library Podcast

New Podcast!

Attention current and future podcast listeners! The Davenport Public Library has a brand new podcast and we are so excited to share it with our community.

"Checked In: A Davenport Public Library Podcast" will be released once a month and can be found wherever you get your podcasts. Each month, "Checked In" will dive into different topics and connect them to the many great resources our Library has to offer.

Visit checkedinadavenportlibrarypodcast.buzzsprout.com to listen, rate, and subscribe! If you have any questions or if you want to suggest topics for future discussion on the podcast, email checked.in@davenportlibrary.com.

Brittany Peacock, Community Outreach Supervisor

News from Special Collections

Do you love history? Archives? Museums? Get excited for the annual Quad Cities Archives Fair on Saturday, October 30, 2021 from noon to 3:00 pm!

This year's host site, the Butterworth Center, will be full of tables from various archives, libraries, and museums from around the Quad Cities area. Visit tables to learn about the unique collections of these organizations. Or maybe you are wondering where to go to learn about your family history. Stick around and listen to talks from local historians. You may even win a door prize of swag from local history organizations!

To learn more about the event, visit: sites.google.com/view/qcarchivesfair/home

Kathryn Kuntz, Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Supervisor



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Thank You to Our Fairmount Block Party Sponsors

Thank you so much to our partners and sponsors who helped the Fairmount Library with another successful Block Party. A very special thanks to the FRIENDS of the Library for their generous donations of 100 book bags with school supplies.

Other donors and partners included:

FRIENDS of the Davenport Library Book Store

Whitey's Ice Cream

QC Brain Injury Alliance

Scott County Humane Society

Davenport Police Department

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Food for Fines

Support the Quad City Student Hunger Drive, your community & the Davenport High Schools! Between October 11th and October 30th, bring in one canned good to any Davenport Library Branch and \$1 of your overdue fines will be waived!

Jill Jurgena, Senior Clerk



Did You Know?

Book Club Books

Did you know that the Davenport Public Library has book club books available for you to check out? We have two separate types: book club in a box kits and single book club books. Each kit has discussion questions and multiple copies of the books. We also have single copies of book club books available for checkout. For a list of our book club kits and books, visit: libguides.davenportlibrary.com/bookclubbooks.

Stephanie Spraggon, Information Services Librarian





Outdoor Pumpkin Party

Saturday, October 16th at 1:00 pm & 2:30 pm | Fairmount

Bring the family for an afternoon of pumpkins, scarecrows, and crafts to celebrate the season! Try to win your pick of pumpkins from our patch as you participate in a thrilling Pumpkin Walk. Enjoy spiced apple cider, make a leaf crown, and take plenty of pictures at our fall photo op station. Registration is required and space is limited. Register at: bit.ly/dpl-outdoorpumpkinparty.

This program will be held outdoors. In case of inclement weather, the event will either be rescheduled or turned into a take-home kit.

Storytime @ Main

Fridays in October at 10:00 am | Main

Enjoy stories, dancing and more at the Main Library! Perfect for children birth - 5 and their parents. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-storytimeatmain.



Little Makers

Wednesdays, Oct. 6th - Nov. 24th at 3:30 pm | Eastern

Come get creative! We'll have plenty of craft supplies and a special project each week. This program is best suited to school-age kids. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-littlemakers.

Leaf Pounding Banner

Saturday, October 23rd at 10:00 am | Fairmount

Enjoy the beauty of fall leaves year-round by creating a beautiful leaf pounding banner for your room. We'll gather fresh leaves then carefully smash them to release their colors into the fabric banner! This activity is best for children and teens ages 8-19. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-leafpoundingbanner

This program will be held outdoors. In case of inclement weather, the event will either be rescheduled or turned into a take-home kit.

Basic Sign Language for Kids

Tuesdays, October 5th - November 9th at 4:00 pm | Eastern

Learn the basics of ASL in this 6-week class created for kids 6-12. We will go over finger spelling, numbers, common greetings, and more. This program is hosted outdoors. In case of inclement weather this program will move indoors. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-basicsignlanguage.

Nonna's Kitchen

Saturdays in November at 1:00 pm | Virtual

Join Nonna Angie in the kitchen as she whips up batches of no-bake fudge goodness! We will supply you with the recipe and list of ingredients. Then join us on YouTube or Facebook Live and "bake" along! Share pictures of your completed fudge for a chance to win a special prize! Registration is required to participate in drawings: bit.ly/dpl-nonnaskitchen2021.



Cuddle Up Storytime

Wednesdays in October at 10:00 am | Fairmount

Join Miss Amber in the Fairmount Children's Garden every Wednesday morning in October for a crisp and golden storytime! We will be singing songs and reading books that celebrate the changing of seasons. All ages welcome, but songs and stories will appeal to children ages 2 to 5 years. In case of inclement weather, storytime will be cancelled.

ACNH Game Day

Fridays October 8th - November 19th at 3:00 pm | Virtual

Are you a big Animal Crossing: New Horizon fan? Come visit OWL Post - the island version of the Davenport Public Library! Each week we will have a new adventure or environ to explore. A new DoDo code will be provided each week on our Facebook page.

A note about our indoor children's programs:

Your family's safety is important to us. Masks are required for all participants ages 2+ regardless of vaccination status. Please observe social distancing and follow local COVID-19 safety recommendations. Programs are subject to COVID-19 safety protocol updates. Check our Calender of Events or our Facebook page for program updates.



TeenTober: QC Libraries' 2021 Teen Reading Challenge

October 1st - October 31st

Teen readers (ages 11-19) are invited to take part in our annual teen challenge to see which QC Libraries' teens can read the most during the month of October! Every QC teen reader who reads for at least 1,000 minutes will be entered into a grand prize drawing to win a \$100 Visa gift card! Keep track of your minutes spent reading on davenportlibrary.beanstack.com, the Beanstack app, or a paper log that will be available in the Teen Area of your Library. As a bonus, Davenport teens will get a ticket to enter in exclusive prize drawings for every 250 minutes they log reading. Reach out to Amber (acarlson@davenportlibrary.com) for more information!

QC Libraries' Teen Video Contest

October 1st - October 31st

Teens between the ages of 11-19 are invited to show off their creativity and filmmaking skills by creating videos for the QC Libraries' Annual Teen Video Contest! Two grand prizes of \$100 Visa gift cards will be awarded to winning videos in each category and videos must be submitted by October 31, 2021. The categories are Short Form Video (30-60 seconds) and Long Form Video (3-5 minutes). Teens can find more information and submit their entries at: bit.ly/2021teenvideocontest.



Teen Anime Day @ the Figge

Saturday, October 9th from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm | The Figge Art Museum

Dust off your cosplay and grab your sketchbooks! The Davenport Public Library and the Figge Art Museum invite teens (ages 11-19) to the Figge Art Museum for an afternoon of manga, anime, Japanese culture, and art! Bento boxes of snacks will be served and teen participants will get free admission to the Figge. Prizes will be awarded for cosplay, drawing, and mask design. Registration is required at: bit.ly/dpl-teenanimeday2021.

Teen RPG: Honey Heist!

Saturday, October 30th at 1:00 pm | Fairmount

Miss Amber invites both seasoned D&D players and RPG newcomers for an afternoon playing the classic oneshot tabletop role-playing game, Honey Heist, created by Grant Howitt. Our Honey Master, Emi Artsy Arts, will lead all of us bears and criminals on a sweet caper of unbearable panda-monium to win a treasure chest of honey! And since it is almost Halloween, let's dress up! Bonus points for anyone who cosplays as their favorite bear thief. Teens only (ages 11-19.) Masks encouraged and registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-honeyheist.



DIY Teen Series

Skeleton Fairies

Monday, October 18th at 6:00 pm
| Eastern

Looking for a spooky decoration that is creepy AND a tiny bit magical? Create a scary bloodthirsty fairy with ripped up wings and glowing eyes ... or a glittering enchantress of butterflies. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-teenskeletonfairies.

Glow Clouds

Monday, October 25th at 11:00 am
| Fairmount

Do you want to make a glowing cloud to hang in your space so you can feel calm & ethereal? Of course you do! Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-teenglowclouds.

Macramé Water Bottle Bag

Saturday, November 6th at 2:00 pm
| Eastern

Hydration is so important. Keep your reusable water bottle nearby by learning how to macramé your own water bottle bag! You will "knot" be disappointed. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-teenmacramewaterbottlebag.

Origami Kawaii Tissue Box

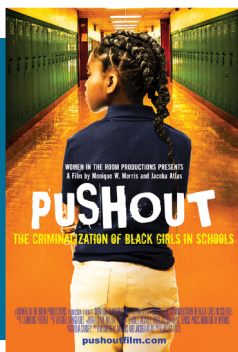
Friday, November 19th at 4:00 pm
| Main

Create itty bitty kawaii tissue boxes that are fun to make and perfect as gifts for those friends who have adorable tiny sneezes. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-teenorigamikawaiitissuebox.

Clay Agate Ornaments

Tuesday, November 23rd at 6:00 pm
| Fairmount

Have some FIMO Clay fun as we learn to make stunning faux agate ornaments. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-teenclayagateornaments.



“Pushout” Movie & Book Discussion

Wednesday, October 6th at 5:30 pm | Main & Wednesday, November 17th at 6:30 pm | Main & Virtual

Join the Davenport Civil Rights Commission and the Davenport Public Library for a showing & discussion of “Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools” on October 6th. In November, we’ll discuss the book by Monique W. Morris. Limited copies of the book will be available at Main for check out. Registration is required for both events at: bit.ly/dpl-pushout.

DIY Hard Cider

Monday, October 4th at 6:30 pm | Eastern

Outdoor homebrewing season may be over, but there are plenty of apples in the orchard. Making your own hard cider takes a fraction of the time and effort. We welcome the MUGZ Club for a hands-on demonstration. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-diyhardcider.

Super Recognizers

Saturday, October 16th at 11:00 am | Virtual

Do you know someone that doesn’t forget a stranger’s face, even years later? Law enforcement in the UK employ these individuals - “Super Recognizers” - to solve crime. Join our Zoom with Dr. Joshua Davis from the University of Greenwich to discuss his research. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-superrecognizers.

Mandatory Music

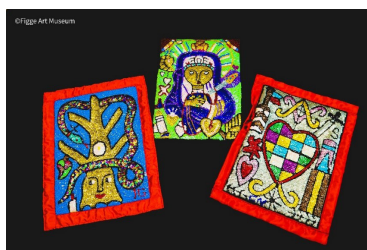
Monday, November 1st at 6:00 pm | Main

Take your music appreciation to the next level. Dr. Eugene Bechen from SAU will put four essential rock songs under the microscope to give you a whole new level of understanding. We’ll drill down into the instrumentation and textures, placing each piece in context to show why it is special. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-mandatorymusic.

Haitian Art with the Figge

Saturday, November 6th at 3:00 pm | Eastern

Join Figge Art Museum educator Kelsey Vandercoy for an in-person talk all about Haitian art, followed by a hands-on art activity. A series of Haitian flags from the Figge outreach’s collection will be brought to allow participants a close-up, physical experience with the art. Registration required at: bit.ly/dpl-haitianart.



Cowboy Courage: Westerns and the Portrayal of Bravery

Wednesday, November 3rd at 6:30 pm | Eastern & Virtual

When people think of television and film Westerns what tends to come to mind are the great feats of physical bravery of the heroes. However, as author William Hampes will discuss in this presentation, many of these Westerns also portray examples of moral and psychological courage, often by ordinary individuals. Registration is required for in-person and virtual attendance at: bit.ly/dpl-cowboycourage.

Eerie Quad Cities: Strange & Unusual Tales from the Quad Cities Area

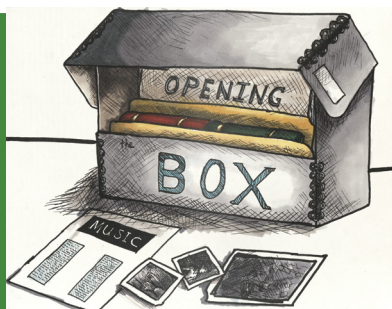
Saturday, October 2nd at 2:00 pm | Fairmount & Virtual

Join authors Michael McCarty and John Brassard Jr. for a talk about the haunted history of the Quad Cities. From phantom footsteps in the Renwick Mansion to a mausoleum heist in Chippiannock Cemetery, they will trace a path through the shadowy heritage of the Quad Cities. Registration required for both in-person & virtual attendance at: bit.ly/dpl-eeriequadcities.

Murder & Madness: Tales from Local Cemeteries

Wednesday, October 20th at 6:30 pm | Eastern & Virtual

October is the perfect month to unearth stories of our local cemeteries and their inhabitants. In our program, tales of murders, tragedies, mayhem, and connections to local hauntings abound. We will use the collections of the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center to help us untangle some of these local mysteries and eerie happenstances. Registration required for both in-person & virtual attendance at: bit.ly/dpl-murderandmadness.



Opening the Box

Fridays, October 1st & November 5th at 2:30 pm | Virtual

Join us 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. October's topic is a review of the collection's resources pertaining to the local and statewide experience of the Civil War (1861-1865.) For more information about these programs, visit bit.ly/dpl-openingthebox.

Genealogy Tips, Tricks, & Treats

Sunday, October 24th at 1:00 pm | Main & Virtual

Join us for an afternoon of genealogy in the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center. Meet other genealogists, learn tips and tricks, and sample some tasty treats! We will learn how to access Ancestry Library from home which is available through the end of the year. This event is generously supported by the Scott County Iowa Genealogical Society. Registration is required for both in-person and virtual attendance at: bit.ly/dpl-genealogytips.

Milton Howard and Family

Thursday, October 28th at 6:30 pm | Virtual

Karen Orozco-Gutierrez, the great-granddaughter of local African-American Civil War veteran Milton Howard, will discuss her family history research journey as part of the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center's celebration of Family History Month. For information on how to attend this program, visit: bit.ly/dpl-miltonhoward.



Local History Series: The Davenport Women Presented by Author Gena Schantz

Tuesday, November 16th at 6:30 pm | Main & Virtual

Join local historian Gena Schantz to discover more about the man who gave his name to Davenport, Iowa. In this presentation, she will explore the women in George Davenport's life and their histories. This program is scheduled to be held in-person and virtually. Registration is required at: bit.ly/dpl-davenportwomen.

Preservation Workshop: Phase Boxes Tutorial

Tuesday, October 19th at 2:00 pm | Virtual

Join us in learning how to practically care for and preserve materials at home with tips and tricks from the staff of the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center. In October, we will demonstrate how to make homemade phase boxes. Phase boxes are a simple, relatively inexpensive box designed to protect books, scrapbooks, albums, and similar items. This program will be held virtually on DPL's YouTube channel at: www.youtube.com/c/DavPubLib.

Scott County Iowa Genealogical Society

The Scott County Iowa Genealogical Society and the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center of the Davenport Public Library invite you to their monthly meetings.

What's New in the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center?
Monday, October 4th at 6:30 pm | Main & Virtual

October's presentation is about what is new at the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center. Special Collections Supervisor Kathryn Kuntz will be sharing what projects and changes have happened in 2021. To attend in-person or virtually, register at: bit.ly/dpl-scigsoctober.

Oddities of Lincoln's Assassination
Presented by Michael C. Schmidt
Monday, November 1st at 6:30 pm | Eastern & Virtual

In November, join us for "Oddities of the Lincoln Assassination" presented by Michael Schmidt. To attend in-person or virtually, register at: bit.ly/dpl-scignovember.

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QC Beats Is Open for Submissions!

QC Beats, an online audio streaming service, is taking submissions from local musicians starting October 1st through October 31st.

Built in partnership with the Davenport Public Library, River Music Experience, St. Ambrose University and Planet 93.9, QC Beats is an online streaming audio collection including the original music of Quad Cities musicians and artists.

Building this collection of featured local artists expands the reach of our vibrant creative community and elevates musicians by connecting them with the larger community and local venues. Community members with a Davenport Public Library card can download audio files, and everyone else can stream music at no cost.

Our partners established QC Beats not only to share local music but also to support local musicians. That's why you'll find more than just music on QCBeats.org. Artist and album pages feature biographies and information about upcoming shows, links to the musicians' websites, social media, and online stores. We hope that QC Beats creates new fans and inspires listeners to support the artists who make the music.

Learn more at QCBeats.org

