

November & December 2022

# @ The Livonia Public Library



## » Upcoming Events

NOV. 7	Obscure Presidents
NOV. 11	<b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b>
NOV. 15	Teen Yoga
NOV. 17	Noontime Concert
NOV. 24-25	<b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b>
DEC. 5	Don't Read This Book!
DEC. 6	Holiday Crafts Begin
DEC. 23-26	<b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b>
DEC. 30-31	<b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b>
JAN. 1-2	<b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b>

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## STORYTIME PROGRAMS

Children's storytime and music programs are open to all children. All children younger than three years old must be accompanied by an adult, unless otherwise specified. Space is limited so register early!

Registration begins **Monday, October 24**. Register for storytimes in person or by phone.

### FUN FOR ONES BABY STORYTIME\*

Ages 12 to 23 months with parent or loving caregiver. Songs, simple stories, and other activities that introduce our youngest patrons to the pleasures of the library. Registration required.

#### @ Civic Center:

Mondays, October 31 – November 28  
10:15-10:35 a.m. OR 11-11:20 a.m.

### TERRIFIC TWOS TODDLER STORYTIME\*

Ages 24 to 36 months. Stories, fingerplays, and large movement activities for that terrific two in your life. Registration required.

#### @ Civic Center:

Tuesdays, November 1 – 29  
10:15-10:45 a.m. OR 11-11:30 a.m.

### TIP TOP TODDLER STORYTIME\*

Ages 2-3. Toddlers and their grown-ups are invited for stories, finger plays, action songs, and more! Registration required.

#### @ Civic Center:

Wednesdays, November 2 – 30  
10:15-10:45 a.m. OR 11:15-11:45 a.m.

#### @ Sandburg:

Thursdays, November 3 – December 1 (no session Nov. 24)  
10:15-10:45 a.m.

### PEPPY PRESCHOOL STORYTIME\*

Ages 3 to 5. Stories, action songs, games, and a small take-home craft. Registration required.

#### @ Civic Center:

Thursdays, November 3 – December 1 (no session Nov. 24)  
10:15-10:45 a.m. OR 11:15-11:45 a.m.

#### @ Sandburg:

Thursdays, November 3 – December 1 (no session Nov. 24)  
11-11:30 a.m.

\*Registration required. Register by phone or in person at the Children's reference desk.

### STORYTIME-TO-GO KIT

Pick up a Storytime-To-Go kit at the Bennett Civic Center Library, while supplies last. The kits include a craft for each child in the household, a science experiment, booklist, and more! Stories and themes change monthly.

#### @ Civic Center:

Pick up a kit anytime during regular library hours.

### DIAL-A-STORY

Try our Dial-a-Story service—our always available phone number where you can listen to stories, jokes, and fun facts for free! New stories are added monthly. You may even hear a story read by your favorite librarian. Call **(734) 884-4400** to reach our Dial-a-Story today!

### TALK: TEXT AND LEARN FOR KINDERGARTEN

Little ones learn best through daily interactions with parents and caregivers, and the "TALK: Text and Learn for Kindergarten" program is here to help! Sign up and receive just two texts a week with simple early literacy activities that can easily be incorporated into everyday routines. The service also notifies parents of free activities and services at the library. To sign up, **text TALK to 75547**, or visit [texttolearn.com](http://texttolearn.com) for more information.

### BOOK BUNDLES

Need help picking out books? We have book bundles to help! Each bundle will include 3-10 books based on a common theme. You may even find a surprise inside! Use the forms on our website [livoniapubliclibrary.org](http://livoniapubliclibrary.org) to request a bundle or stop by the Bennett Civic Center Library to browse our ready-made picture book bundles!

### SCAVENGER HUNTS

All ages welcome. Can you find all of the special characters hidden across the children's room? Find all six of them, tell a librarian, and get a special prize to take home!

#### @ Civic Center:

November Hunt: Dinovember!  
December Hunt: Fairy Tales

### LEGOS IN LIVONIA\*

Grades 5-7. We have LEGOs, and lots of them! Join us for a LEGO free play. Registration required.

#### @ Civic Center:

Sunday, November 20  
1-4 p.m.

### GIRLS IN STEM\*

Grades 5-8. Students from the Math/Science/Computer program at Churchill High School will lead fun, hands-on basic science and programming activities highlighting the importance of women in STEM. Registration required.

#### @ Sandburg:

Tuesday, November 15  
4:30-5:30 p.m.

### STEM JR\*

Grades 2-4. Come explore basic science principles in a fun, hands-on program! Registration required.

#### @ Sandburg:

Tuesday, November 8  
4:30-5:30 p.m.

### TWEEN ADVISORY MEETING\*

Grades 5-7. Tweens are invited to discuss upcoming programs, books they love, and ideas for the library! Snacks provided, registration required.

#### @ Civic Center:

Monday, November 14  
6:30 p.m.

### DON'T READ THIS BOOK!\*


Grades 5-7. A crafty, trivia, sometimes book club just for Tweens! This month, we'll be reading *The Worst Class Trip Ever* by Dave Barry. All registered participants can pick up a free copy of the book and some crafty goodies from the Sandburg Library beginning November 14. During the program we'll hang out, compete for trivia prizes, do a themed craft, and talk about the book! Registration required.

#### @ Sandburg:

Monday, December 5  
4:30-5:30 p.m.

### TUMBLEBOOKS

Our Library has a subscription to TumbleBookLibrary, and your family can access it from home! It's unlimited, and FREE for you to use! Explore animated, talking picture books, read-along chapter books, non-fiction books, and more! Visit [livoniapubliclibrary.org/downloads](http://livoniapubliclibrary.org/downloads) to access Tumblebooks and all our digital resources. Happy Tumbling!



**MERRY & BRIGHT:  
HOLIDAY PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING**  
All ages welcome. Holiday Celebration Parade—Santa Claus Comes to Town! Join us along the parade route (Stark to Lyndon to Farmington to City Hall) ending at City Hall where Santa and Mrs. Claus will light the City's Tree. After the tree lighting, stroll over to the Robert and Janet Bennett Civic Center Library for crafts, a holiday sing-along with the Music Lady, and a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

**@ Civic Center:**  
Sunday, December 4  
4-8 p.m.

**CRAFTS @ THE HOLIDAY PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING**  
Ages 2 -12. Join us after the Holiday Parade and Tree Lighting for some holiday crafts (materials and instructions provided by the library). Adult supervision required.

**@ Civic Center:**  
Sunday, December 4  
5-8 p.m.

**HOLIDAY CRAFTS—ART ALA CARTE**  
Ages 2 -12. Drop in and make some festive holiday crafts (materials provided by the library). Adult supervision required.

**@ Civic Center:**  
December 6-29  
During regular library hours

**LIVONIA COMMUNITY THEATER PRESENTS:  
THE LIFE AND ADVENTURES OF SANTA CLAUS**  
Enjoy a lively reading, accompanied by sound effects and music, performed by the Livonia Community Theater.

**@ Civic Center:**  
Tuesday, December 13  
7-7:40 p.m.



## TEEN VOLUNTEER COUNCIL

Grades 8-12. Are you looking for volunteer hours, want to have input into what programming and materials the library offers, or just want to talk about the books, movies, and music that you love? Join the Teen Volunteer Council! The goal of TVC is to help members take an active role in creating a welcoming environment for teens at the library. Meetings will take place on the first Thursday of the month with additional volunteer opportunities provided throughout the year. Membership applications can be found on our library website.

### @ Civic Center:

Thursday, November 3  
5-6 p.m.

## VIRTUAL DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS\*

Join our virtual D&D adventure! This season, our adventures will be taking place within Tier 3 (Levels 10-15). A Discord account is required. For any questions or to register, please email Nathan Shaw at nshaw@livoniapubliclibrary.org.

### @ Online:

Mondays, November 14, 28; December 12  
3:45-5:45 p.m.

## DART TAG

Grades 5-12. Join us for an after-hours epic Dart Tag battle! All nerf blasters, darts, and vest provided.

### @ Sandburg:

Friday, November 4  
6-7 p.m.

## COLLEGE ADMISSIONS ESSAYS\*

Grades 8-12. Learn best practices and strategies for writing the perfect personal essay for college applications. Registration required.

### @ Civic Center:

Thursday, November 10  
6-7:30 p.m.



## TEEN YOGA AND MINDFULNESS\*

Grades 8-12. Relax and destress with a free mindfulness focused yoga class just for teens. Provided by All Seasons Yoga. Registration required.

### @ Civic Center:

Tuesday, November 15  
6:30-7:15 p.m.

## COFFEE, COCOA, AND COLORING

Teens and Adults. Join us for an evening of mindfulness and relaxation as we color and enjoy coffee or cocoa. All supplies provided, but feel free to bring your own! No registration required.

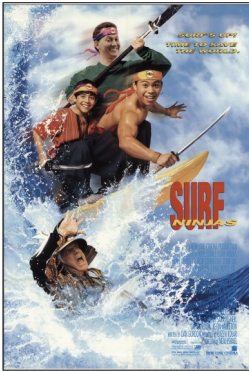
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Teens and Adults. Grab some friends and join us for a series of So-Bad-They're-Good films! You'll groan at the terrible special effects, laugh at the bad acting, and have the worst (best) time (sorry, no food or drink allowed).



#### @ Civic Center:

Wednesday, November 2  
6-8 p.m.  
Surf Ninjas (PG-13, 1993)  
1 h 27 minutes



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#### @ Sandburg:

Tuesday, November 15  
4:30-5:30 p.m.

### TEEN CRAFT KIT

Grades 8-12. Pick up a fun and easy craft kit each month from the Library! Craft kits are perfect for creating at your own pace. Follow the instructions, or create something new from the supplies provided—it's up to you! Available while supplies last.

#### @ Civic Center:

Month of November: Leaf Window Clings

#### @ Sandburg:

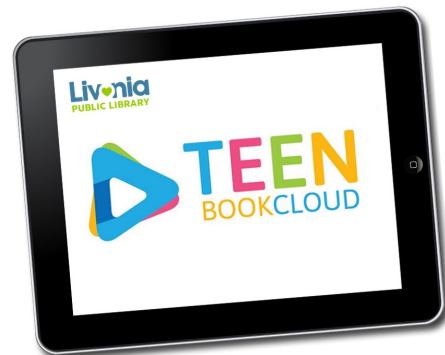
Month of December: Surprise!

### BOOK BUNDLES

Need help picking out Teen books? Try a book bundle! Each bundle will include 3-6 books selected just for you by our Teen Services Librarians. Use the form on our website [livoniapubliclibrary.org](http://livoniapubliclibrary.org) to request a book bundle.

### 100 BOOK CLUB\*

Join our year-long reading challenge! Set your own reading goal for the year and earn a chance to win a prize for every 10 books you've read since January 1. Read 100 books by the end of the year and become a member of the prestigious 100 Book Club. Open to everyone ages 12 and up. Register and see the full challenge description at [livonialibrary.beanstack.org](http://livonialibrary.beanstack.org).



Check out TeenBookCloud—graphic novels, ebooks, audiobooks, National Geographic videos, and more—available online around the clock! If you have a library card and an internet connection, you have unlimited access to this fantastic collection. Visit [livoniapubliclibrary.org/downloads](http://livoniapubliclibrary.org/downloads) to access TeenBookCloud and all our great digital resources.

\*Registration required. Register by phone at (734) 466-2490, online ([livoniapubliclibrary.org/calendar](http://livoniapubliclibrary.org/calendar)), or in person at the reference desk.

## **AUTHOR STEPHEN MACK JONES**

Author Stephen Mack Jones will be here to discuss his August Snow series—thrillers that follow a Detroit-based ex-cop as he takes on vigilante justice. Jones has won multiple awards, including being named a 2018 Michigan Notable Book Award winner.

### **@ Civic Center:**

Tuesday, November 1  
6:30-7:30 p.m.

## **100 BOOK CLUB\***

Join our year-long reading challenge! Set your own reading goal for the year and earn a chance to win a prize for every 10 books you've read since January 1. Read 100 books by the end of the year and become a member of the prestigious 100 Book Club. Open to everyone ages 12 and up. Register and see the full challenge description at [livonialibrary.beanstack.org](http://livonialibrary.beanstack.org).

## **HOW TO HANDLE SCIATICA AND LOWER BACK PAIN EFFECTIVELY**

Dr. Mehul Vaidya, Founder and CEO of Ally Physical Therapy, will discuss the causes of sciatica, treatments to manage sciatica, and maintaining a healthy lifestyle with proper exercises. Dr. Vaidya has been practicing physical therapy for 22 years, specializing in treating patients with neck and back pain.

### **@ Civic Center:**

Thursday, November 3  
6-7:30 p.m.

## **REMEMBER US? OUR OBSCURE PRESIDENTS**

Andrew Kercher returns to spotlight the lives of some of our lesser known, oft forgotten, commanders in chief. Watch this Zoom program in the library's auditorium, or remotely from your own device. Registration required for Zoom information.

### **@ Civic Center or Zoom Event:**

Monday, November 7  
6-7:30 p.m.

Please check our website to confirm program dates and times.

## **KOREA: LAND OF THE MORNING CALM**

South Korea is a small Asian country that ranks significantly in U.S. history. Travel through Seoul, "The Miracle on the Han," and learn about the Korean peninsula with Mariya Fogarasi, who, while living on an American Army Post, had the opportunity to travel between two different worlds and cultures.

### **@ Civic Center:**

Wednesday, November 9  
6-7:30 p.m.

## **BATHTUB GIN AND RUM RUNNING**

The New York Times labeled Detroit the Rum Capitol of the nation during Prohibition. Rum running, smuggling, illegal stills, and blind pigs sprang up in Detroit within hours of the start of Prohibition and continued to thrive for over a decade. Corruption reached a new high, and the Purple Gang took over the liquor trade. Join us for a fascinating presentation on this period of Michigan history.

### **@ Civic Center:**

Tuesday, November 15  
6:30-7:30 p.m.

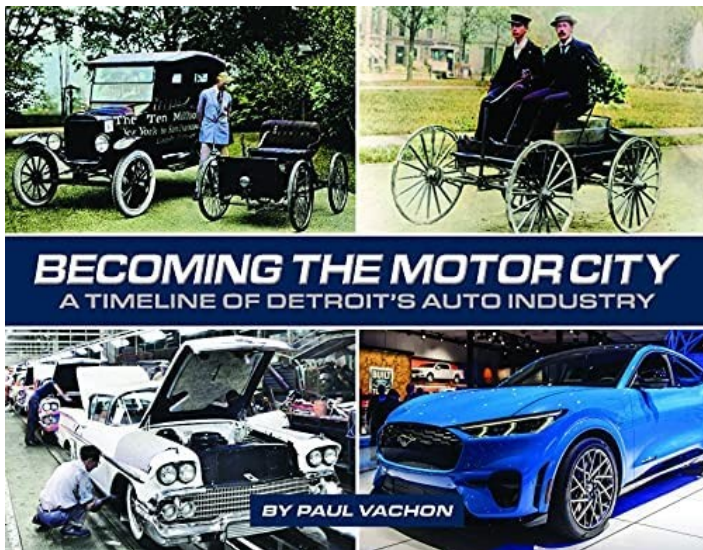


## **THE EDMUND FITZGERALD - THE STORIES, THE SONG\***

A doomed ship during one of the worst storms in Great Lakes history, the Edmund Fitzgerald will come to life as storyteller Mike Fornes shares stories and music about the crew and that fateful day in 1975 "when the gales of November came early . . ." Registration is required.

### **@ Civic Center:**

Wednesday, November 16  
1-2:30 p.m.



**PAUL VACHON AND BECOMING THE MOTOR CITY:  
A TIMELINE OF DETROIT'S AUTO INDUSTRY**

The city of Detroit is inseparable from its signature industry. Through photos, stories, and history from his latest book, Detroit author and historian Paul Vachon paints a vivid picture of the city's past. Copies of *Becoming the Motor City* will be available for purchase and signing following the program.

**@ Civic Center:**  
Monday, December 5  
6:30-7:30 p.m.

**THE HISTORY OF CATHOLIC ARCHITECTURE IN DETROIT**

The architectural landscape of Detroit and southeastern Michigan was shaped, in many ways, by the Catholic Church. Retired Detroit Free Press journalist Patricia Montemurri will discuss the area's Catholic history and architectural landmarks. Patricia is the author of four books about Detroit Catholic history, which will be available for purchase and signing.

**@ Civic Center:**  
Thursday, December 8  
6:30-7:45 p.m.

**ADULT CRAFTS\***

Come and craft with us! Non-residents will be charged a \$5 supply fee. Registration required beginning Saturday, November 26. Sessions are the same; register for only one.

**@ Civic Center: Scrabble Tile Ornaments**  
Saturday, December 10  
11 a.m. to 12 p.m. OR  
2-3 p.m.

**COFFEE, COCOA, AND COLORING**

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**@ Civic Center:**  
Thursday, December 15  
6-7:30 p.m.

**LEGENDS AND FOLKLORE OF WINTER**

From simple superstitions on how to cause a snow day to Krampus the anti-Santa Claus, winter is filled with bizarre tales and folklore. Watch this fascinating Zoom program in the comfort of the library's auditorium, or remotely from your own device. Registration required for Zoom information.

**@ Civic Center or Zoom Event:**  
Tuesday, December 20  
6:30-7:30 p.m.



Would you or someone you know like to check out library materials but find it difficult to get to the library? Are you a new parent who can't get out of the house with the baby? Just had surgery or are temporarily homebound? Let us help! The Livonia Public Library is now offering homebound delivery services for those who are unable to make it to the library themselves. To get started, visit [livonialibrary.info/services/#homebound](http://livonialibrary.info/services/#homebound) and fill out the application or call our Outreach Services Librarian, Kristy Chase, at (734) 466-2156 with any questions.

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Join us every month for a special concert that will entertain audiences of all ages. All concerts take place in the Bennett Civic Center Library Atrium, begin at 12:15 p.m. and are free to attend. Bring your brown bag lunch and enjoy the show. Co-sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission.



## HARMONYTOWN CHORUS, Thursday, November 17

Experience the joy of barbershop music! The gentlemen of the Harmonytown Chorus are back to share their vocal talents in a performance of one of the few uniquely American-born styles of music: barbershop harmony.



## SILVER STRINGS DULCIMER SOCIETY, Thursday, December 15

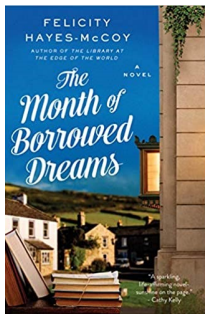
Take a break from the holiday hustle and bustle and join us for some festive Old Time Music! The Silver Strings Dulcimer Society will be performing their annual holiday concert of acoustic music.

# BOOK CLUBS

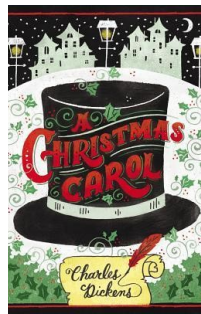
@ THE LIVONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

### POSITIVE PAGES BOOK GROUP

Tired of gloomy weather and bad news? Join us for a Book Group featuring gentler reads. Email librarian Mable Doot at [mdoot@livoniapubliclibrary.org](mailto:mdoot@livoniapubliclibrary.org) for more details.



**@ Civic Center:**  
Tuesday, November 1  
*The Month of Borrowed Dreams*  
by Felicity Hayes-McCoy  
10 a.m to 12 p.m.



**@ Civic Center:**  
Tuesday, December 6  
*A Christmas Carol*  
by Charles Dickens  
10 a.m to 12 p.m.

### BOOK CLUB KITS

Are you hosting a book club and need multiple copies of the same title? The library provides ready-to-go book club kits for check out, discussion questions included! Check out this collection on the second floor of the Bennett Civic Center Library.





All movies are free and no registration is required unless noted. Films are subject to change. Contact the Library to confirm titles.

### BAD MOVIE NIGHT

Teens and Adults. Grab some friends and join us for a series of So-Bad-They're-Good films! You'll groan at the terrible special effects, laugh at the bad acting, and have the worst (best) time (sorry, no food or drink allowed).

### SATURDAY CINEMA

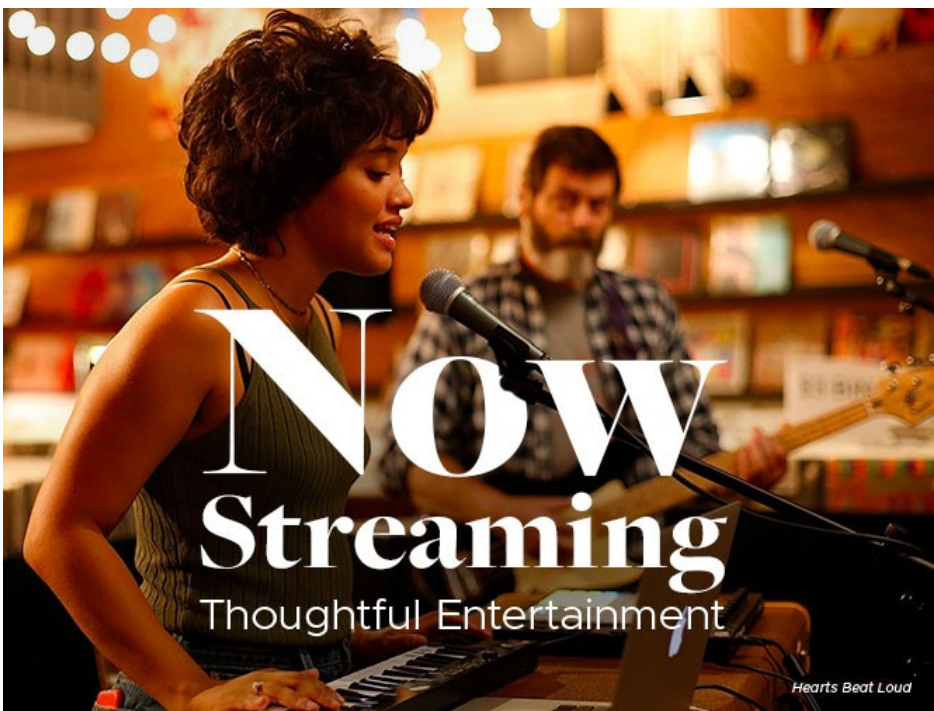
All ages welcome; young children must be accompanied by an adult. Join us for a free G or PG-rated film (sorry, no food or drink allowed).



**@ Civic Center:**  
Saturday, November 12  
2 p.m.  
Sonic the Hedgehog 2 (PG)  
2 hr 2 minutes



**@ Civic Center:**  
Wednesday, November 2  
6-8 p.m.  
Surf Ninjas (PG-13, 1993)  
1 h 27 minutes



## Kanopy is now available at your public library!

Over 30,000 movies, documentaries, and kid favorites

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## HOLIDAY PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING

**Sunday, December 4  
4-8 p.m.**

Holiday Celebration Parade—Santa Claus Comes to Town!  
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All Livonia Libraries will be closed:

November 11  
*Libraries will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23*  
November 24-25  
December 23-26 and  
December 30-January 2

*But you can access our eBooks anytime!*

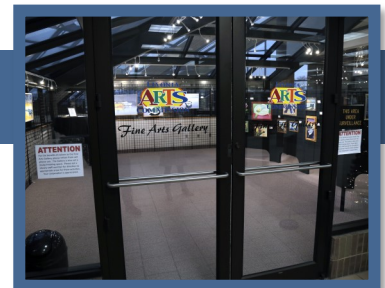
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## EXHIBITS

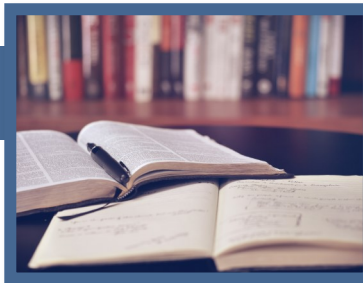


The Livonia Arts Commission maintains a one thousand square foot art gallery on the second floor at Civic Center Library. Call Community Resources at (734) 466-2540 for exhibit information.



NOVEMBER 2022	Samantha Lewis
DECEMBER 2022	To Be Announced

Check your local branch for other rotating exhibits.



## MEMORIAL AND COMMEMORATIVE DONATIONS

A gift to the Livonia Public Library's collection is a unique and special way to pay tribute to friends and family. For more information go to [livoniapubliclibrary.org](http://livoniapubliclibrary.org) and click on **Support Your Library**.

### THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING DONORS ...

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**Daniel G. Morrison, Jr.**  
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## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library are an active group of volunteers whose mission is to provide support for the services and programs of the Livonia Public Library.



## THE FRIENDS USED BOOK STORE

The Used Book Store was opened by the Friends in June 2006. The store is run completely by volunteers and stocked with donations from the community.

The Friends Book Store at the Bennett Civic Center Library is open on:

Mon: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Tue & Wed: 11 a.m. to 7:45 p.m.  
Thur & Sat: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Book Store phone: (734) 466-2495

## FRIENDS OF THE LIVONIA LIBRARY BOARD

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## LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING DATES

4 p.m.

Monday, November 28	Carl Sandburg Library
Monday, December 19	Bennett Civic Center Library

**ROBERT AND JANET BENNETT  
CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY**  
32777 Five Mile Road  
(734) 466-2491

Mon - Thurs: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Fri & Sat: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sun\*: 1-5 p.m.  
\*(during the school year)

**CARL SANDBURG LIBRARY**  
30100 Seven Mile Road  
(248) 893-4010

Mon & Tue: 12-8 p.m.  
Wed & Thurs: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Fri: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**VEST POCKET LIBRARY**  
15218 Farmington Road  
(734) 466-2559

Mon: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Tue: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Wed: 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Thurs: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Fri: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.



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