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LOCATIONS & HOURS

LIBRARY SQUARE

100 Rock Street | Little Rock | 72201

MAIN LIBRARY

(501) 918-3000

Mon-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM

Boulevard Bread Co. | Mon-Sat | 8 AM-3 PM

BOBBY L. ROBERTS LIBRARY OF ARKANSAS HISTORY & ART

Butler Center for Arkansas Studies

Roberts Library Research Room | (501) 320-5700

Tue-Fri | 10 AM-5 PM | Sat | 12-4 PM | No Curbside

CALS BRANCHES

MILLIE M. BROOKS LIBRARY

13022 Highway 365 South

Wrightsville | 72183 | (501) 537-3186

Tue | 9:30 AM-7 PM | Wed - Thu | 9:30 AM-4:30 PM

DEE BROWN LIBRARY

6325 Baseline Road

Little Rock | 72209 | (501) 568-7494

Mon | 9 AM-8 PM | Tue-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Sun | 1-5 PM

HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON CHILDREN'S LIBRARY & LEARNING CENTER

4800 West 10th Street

Little Rock | 72204 | (501) 978-3870

Mon-Wed/Fri-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Thu | 9 AM-8 PM

JOHN GOULD FLETCHER LIBRARY

823 North Buchanan Street

Little Rock | 72205 | (501) 663-5457

Mon/Wed | 9 AM-8 PM | Tue/Thu/Fri/Sat | 9 AM-6 PM

MAUMELLE LIBRARY

10 Lake Pointe Drive

Maumelle | 72113 | (501) 851-2551

Mon-Tue/Fri-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Wed-Thu | 9 AM-8 PM

SIDNEY S. MCMATH LIBRARY

2100 John Barrow Road

Little Rock | 72204 | (501) 225-0066

Mon | 9 AM-8 PM | Tue-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Sun | 1-5 PM

RON ROBINSON THEATER

Call for availability | (501) 320-5715

ROCK IT! LAB

(501) 320-5748

501 Makers & The Village | Mon-Fri | 9 AM-6 PM

The River Shop | Sat | 10 AM-4 PM

MAX MILAM LIBRARY

609 Aplin Avenue

Perryville | 72126 | (501) 889-2554

Mon/Wed-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Tue | 9 AM-8 PM

ESTHER DEWITT NIXON LIBRARY

703 West Main Street

Jacksonville | 72076 | (501) 457-5038

Mon/Wed-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Tue | 9 AM-8 PM

OLEY E. ROOKER LIBRARY

11 Otter Creek Court

Little Rock | 72210 | (501) 907-5991

Mon-Wed/Fri-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Thu | 9 AM-8 PM

AMY SANDERS LIBRARY

10200 Johnson Drive

Sherwood | 72120 | (501) 835-7756

Mon/Wed | 9 AM-8 PM | Tue/Thu-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Sun | 1-5 PM

ADOLPHINE FLETCHER TERRY LIBRARY

2015 Napa Valley Drive

Little Rock | 72212 | (501) 228-0129

Mon | 9 AM-8 PM | Tue-Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Sun | 1-5 PM

ROOSEVELT THOMPSON LIBRARY

38 Rahling Circle

Little Rock | 72223 | (501) 821-3060

Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Tue/Thu | 9 AM-8 PM

SUE COWAN WILLIAMS LIBRARY

1800 Chester Street

Little Rock | 72206 | (501) 376-4282

Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat | 9 AM-6 PM | Tue/Thu | 9 AM-8 PM

DIGITAL SERVICES



Use the CALS app to reserve books or mark them for later from your phone. Find out how the CALS app and apps from our digital content providers can enhance your library experience at cals.org/digital-library.

Flipster

Browse digital versions of the latest issues of popular magazines.



Download up to five songs per week or stream unlimited music all day long.



Use this digital streaming service to access movies, TV shows, and graphic novels. CALS has a daily budget cap for hoopla borrows, meaning all patrons share a collective daily borrowing limit.



Stream thought-provoking films from desktop to TV to tablet.



Borrow eBooks and audiobooks.



Formerly Lynda.com, LinkedIn Learning offers over 16,000 video courses and tutorials taught by industry experts.

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Library Card Basics

2-Hour: Laptops, Chromebooks, DVD players (to be used only inside CALS buildings)

7-Day: New release (high demand) DVDs, tools, weekend bags

14-Day: New adult books, DVDs (including Binge Boxes), birdwatching kits, circulating magazines, engravers, fishing poles, hotspots, Kill-A-Watt meters, oral history toolkits, telescopes, toys

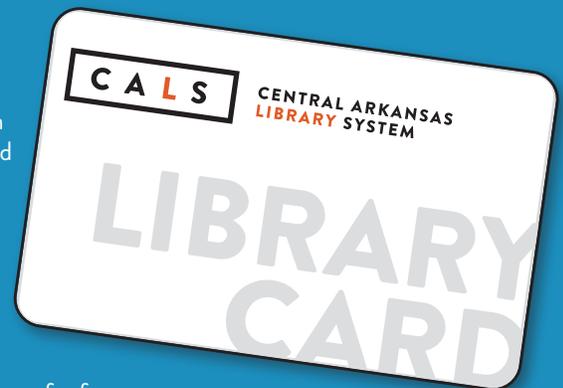
Now at Main: Blu-rays are here! Take home up to 5 and enjoy movie night your way.

28-Day: All other items

Extended (vacation) Loans: Items with holds cannot be extended. Extended loan periods, or vacation loans, may be granted at the discretion of a branch manager or department head. To be taken into consideration are the number of items the patron asks to check out; length of extension requested; popularity/demand for items requested.

Non-circulating (Reference): Special loans of reference materials may be made with the permission of the Head of Reference or Branch Managers.

MOBIUS and Interlibrary Loan Materials: The due date for ILL and MOBIUS materials is the later of 14 days from checkout or the date due written on the paper band.



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MARCH NEWS & EVENTS

Monthly Tours of Main Library

Wednesday, March 4

10:30–11:45AM | Main Library



Explore your newly renovated Main Library on the first Wednesday of each month! Join library staff for a guided tour of reimagined spaces, amenities, and behind-the-scenes highlights.

The tour departs promptly at 10:45 a.m. from the fifth floor. Coffee and light refreshments will be available beginning at 10:30 a.m. Parking validation is provided.

**2026 Six Bridges
Book Festival
Author Submissions**
Open through March 20



Submissions are shared with the Festival's talent committee. When evaluating submissions, in addition to literary merit, consideration is given to where books might fit in the overall event. The 23rd annual Festival will take place September 27 to October 4.

View the details at SixBridgesBookFestival.org.

CALS SPRING SPEAKER SERIES

Rebecca Romney

Betsy Wright Distinguished Lecture

Thursday, March 26

6:00 PM

CALS Ron Robinson Theater

100 River Market Avenue



JANE AUSTEN'S
BOOKSHELF

A Rare Book Collector's Quest to Find
the Women Writers Who Shaped a Legend

REBECCA ROMNEY

"I loved this book, and it will live on my own shelf forever!" —KIMBERLY BLUMBERG



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Paper Hearts Bookstore
will be on site to sell books.

Rock Paper Run

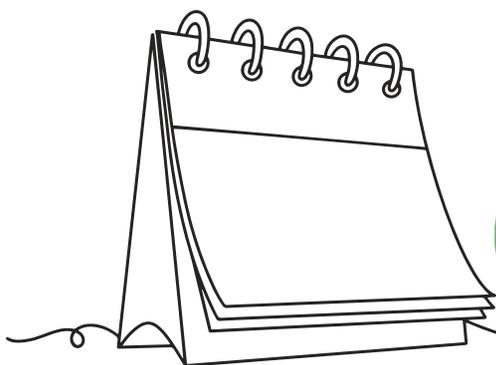
Sunday, April 19

Argenta Library | North Little Rock

We're excited to welcome walkers, runners, and families to the annual Rock Paper Run 5K! Held in celebration of National Library Week, this fun, community-centered event is a partnership between the Central Arkansas Library System and the North Little Rock Public Library System. Together, we're celebrating the power of community, the joy of movement, and all the incredible services our libraries provide to connect, inspire, and support our neighbors.



Register at RockPaperRun.org.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CALS offers hundreds of programs each month. Here are a few highlights from knitting and crocheting to yoga.

March Reading Madness | Nixon Library | Kids & Teens
Read a book, fill out a slip, and enter a drawing to win a \$10 Robux gift card. Three winners will be selected on March 31.

Threads Gone Wild | Tuesdays in March | 12PM
Dee Brown Library | Teens & Adults Knit or crochet with us and enjoy community. Beginners and seasoned crafters are welcome.

Crowned: A Teen Braiding Experience
Monday–Thursday | March 2–12 | 4:30–6PM
Williams Library | Teens Learn braiding techniques and celebrate creativity, culture, and self-expression.

Legacies & Lunch: Little Rock's Vice District
Wednesday | March 4 | 12PM | Main Library, Darragh Center
Presented by the CALS Butler Center for Arkansas Studies, this talk explores the history of commercial sex in Little Rock from the Antebellum period through World War I, tracing the evolution of vice regulation and reform.

Lunch will be provided for in-person attendees, courtesy of the CALS Foundation. Meals are limited, first come, first served. Dietary restrictions cannot be accommodated, and registration does not guarantee lunch availability.

Adulting Unlocked | Thursday | March 5 | 6PM
Rooker Library | Older Teens & Young Adults Explore essential life skills like financial literacy, résumé writing, and tools to navigate adulthood with confidence. Facilitated by youth programmer Ami Roberts.

Arkansas Reads | Saturday | March 7 | 10AM
Maumelle Library | Teens & Adults Join us to celebrate the environmental movement with community readings from A Sand County Almanac and other nature writings, followed by a hands-on nature journaling activity. Free copies will be available while supplies last.

Get Loud! @ the Library

Saturdays | March 7, 14, 21, 28 | 2–3PM | Teen Program Room
— Chris Rice Teen Center @ Main | Ages 13–18 Local artist Blake Fleischmann teaches the basics of drum kit and percussion.

Portrait Drawing with Layet Johnson

Monday | March 9 | 6PM | Terry Library | Adults
Artist Layet Johnson will walk us through the basics of portrait drawing.

Ink & Intention Journaling Circle | Wednesday |
March 11 | 5PM | Fletcher Library Join us for a relaxed evening of journaling and paper crafting. Start a new journal or bring your own — all paper projects are welcome. Supplies provided, including journals, magazines, pens, markers, and more.

Lucky 13th Birthday | Saturday | March 14 | 2PM
Children's Library & Learning Center | All Ages Celebrate 13 lucky years with festive crafts, treats, shamrocks, and St. Patrick's Day fun for the whole family.

Adult Yoga | Saturdays | March 14 & 28 | 11AM
Thompson Library | Adults Learn yoga with a certified instructor.

Kids in the Kitchen: Springtime Smoothies
Thursday | March 26 | 3:30PM | Sanders Library
Ages 6–18 & Families Join Be Mighty and learn just how much nutrition we can pack into a delicious fruit smoothie.

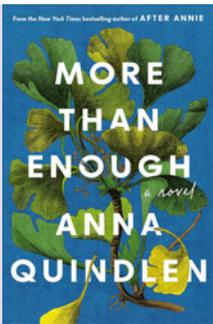
Ocean in a Bottle | Friday | March 27 | 4PM
Martin Children's Center @ Main | Kids & Families
Create a calming ocean-in-a-bottle jar inspired by spring break waves.

Karaoke Night | Tuesday | March 31 | 5:30PM
Millie Brooks Library | Teens & Adults

To view the full calendar of events, visit cals.org or scan the QR code.

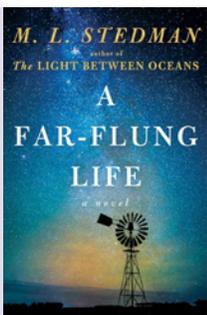


MARCH NEW RELEASES



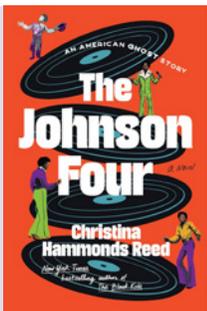
FICTION

More Than Enough
by Anna Quindlen



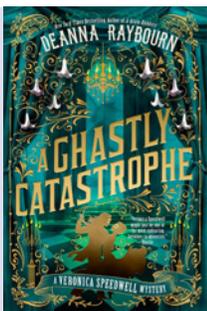
FICTION

A Far-Flung Life
by M. L. Stedman (3/3/26)



FICTION

The Johnson Four
by Christina Hammonds Reed



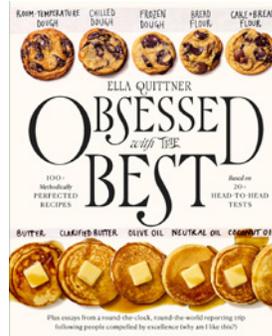
FICTION

A Ghastly Catastrophe
by Deanna Raybourn (3/3/26)



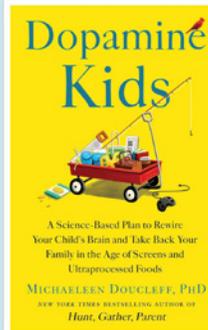
FICTION

The Book Tour
by Emily Ohanjanians (3/3/26)



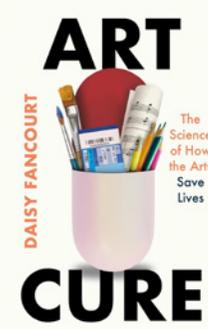
NON-FICTION

Obsessed with the Best:
100+ Methodically Perfected Recipes Based on 20+ Head-to-Head Tests
by Ella Quittner



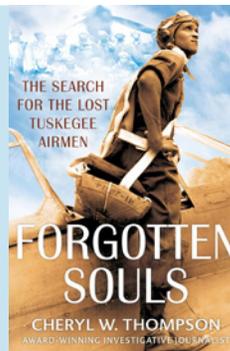
NON-FICTION

Dopamine Kids: A Science-Based Plan to Rewire Your Child's Brain and Take Back Your Family in the Age of Screens and Ultraprocessed Foods
by Michaeleen Doucleff



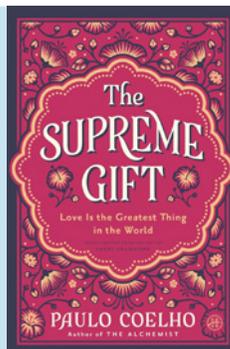
NON-FICTION

Art Cure: The Science of How the Arts Save Lives
by Daisy Fancourt



NON-FICTION

Forgotten Souls: The Search for the Lost Tuskegee Airmen
by Cheryl W. Thompson



NON-FICTION

The Supreme Gift: Love is the Greatest Thing in the World
by Paulo Coelho



MUSIC

Megan Moroney
Cloud 9



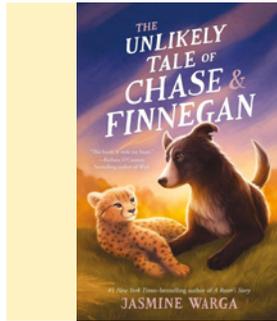
YOUTH

Dark is For
by Jane Kohuth (3/3/26)



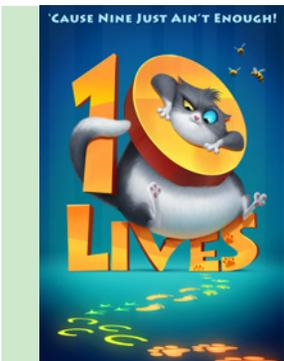
ADULT DVD

Song Sung Blue



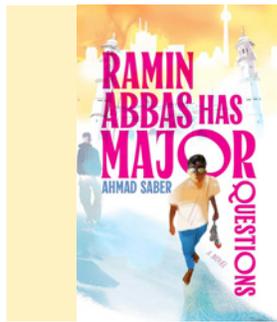
YOUTH

Unlikely Tale of Chase and Finnegan
by Jasmine Warga (3/3/26)



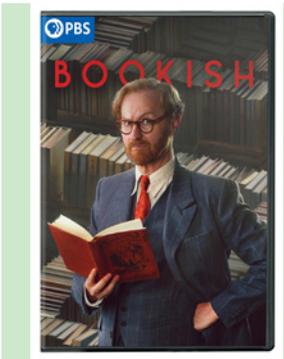
YOUTH DVD

10 Lives



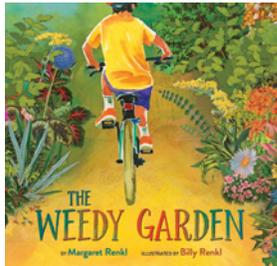
YOUTH

Ramin Abbas Has Major Questions
by Ahmad Saber (3/3/26)



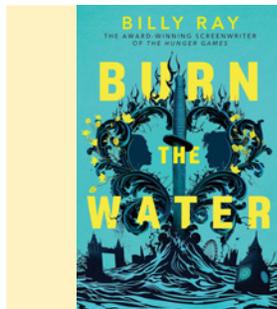
TELEVISION

Bookish Season 1



YOUTH

Weedy Garden: A Happy Habitat for Wild Friends
by Margaret Renkl (3/3/26)



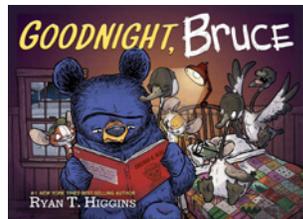
YOUTH

Burn the Water
by Billy Ray (3/3/26)



GRAPHIC NOVEL

Godzilla Legends—Mothra: Queen of the Monsters
by Sophie Campbell & Matt Frank



YOUTH

Goodnight, Bruce
by Ryan Higgins (3/3/26)

PROGRAM INFORMATION

CALS offers innovative programs that promote lifelong learning, connect patrons to technology, and advance knowledge. From storytimes to author talks, CALS has a full schedule with something suited for any age. See the full program calendar at cals.org/events.

Be Mighty This citywide campaign connects kids and teens 18 and under to free meals. bemightylittlerock.org

Count Up Registration is open! This free after-school math tutoring program matches K-12 students with experienced tutors for one-on-one assistance. Sign up at cals.org/countup

Digital Literacy Whether you're a technology beginner or looking to expand your skills, there's a class for you. Digital Literacy Guides offer friendly, free, one-on-one assistance. cals.org/digital-literacy

Encyclopedia of Arkansas The mission of this free online encyclopedia is to collect and disseminate information on all aspects of the state's history and culture and to provide a comprehensive reference work for historians, teachers, students, and others seeking to understand and appreciate Arkansas's heritage. EncyclopediaOfArkansas.net

Rock It! Lab A partnership of CALS and Advancing Black Entrepreneurship (ABE), the Rock It! Lab provides resources and services, including technical assistance, mentorship, marketing and promotion, networking opportunities, business education, one-on-one instruction, and more to assist entrepreneurs in creating successful businesses. cals.org/rock-it-lab

Writing Circle Get tips and learn techniques for writing from professionals and your peers. Whether it's your memoir, a journal, short story, or novel, the CALS Writing Circle is a community that wants to see you succeed. cals.org

CALS RON ROBINSON THEATER



Indie Lens Pop-Up: *The Inquisitor*

Tuesday | March 10 | 6PM | Free registration

Discover the legacy of Barbara Jordan, the groundbreaking congresswoman whose voice shaped civil rights and presidential accountability, in *The Inquisitor*. A panel discussion and audience Q&A follow. Closed-captioned with ASL interpretation and assisted listening available. Register at RonRobinsonTheater.org.

Green Fire: Aldo Leopold and a Land Ethic for Our Time (2011, NR)

Tuesday | March 3 | 7PM | Free registration

The Big Lebowski (1998, R)

Thursday | March 5 | 7PM

Atlanta Rhythm Section with deFrance

Friday | March 6 | 7PM | Tickets start at \$50

Alice in Wonderland 75th Anniversary (1951, G)

Saturday | March 7 | 12:30PM

Casablanca (1942, PG)

Saturday | March 7 | 3PM

Raiders of the Lost Ark

45th Anniversary (1981, PG)

Saturday | March 7 | 7PM

Waiting for Guffman 30th Anniversary (1996, R)

Thursday | March 12 | 7PM

BingoFlix & 2FAN Film: *High School Musical*

20th Anniversary (2006, G)

Friday | March 13 | 7PM

Pi Day: *Sweeney Todd: The Demon*

Barber of Fleet Street (2007, R)

Saturday | March 14 | 4PM

Pi Day: *American Pie* (1999, R)

Saturday | March 14 | 7PM

The Boondock Saints (1999, R)

Tuesday | March 17 | 7PM

Tinsley Ellis Concert

Friday | March 20 | 7PM | \$20

Muppets Treasure Island

30th Anniversary (1996, G)

Saturday | March 21 | 12:30PM

Exhibition on Screen Presents:

The Danish Collector – Delacroix to Gauguin

Saturday | March 21 | 4PM | \$10

The Rocky Horror Picture Show (1975, R)

Saturday | March 21 | 8PM | \$8

A Star is Born 50th Anniversary (1976, R)

Tuesday | March 24 | 7PM

CALS Speaker Series presents Rebecca Romney

– Author of *Jane Austen's Bookshelf*

Thursday | March 26 | 6PM | Free registration

Eddie Murphy: Raw (1987, R)

Friday | March 27 | 7PM

Assault on Precinct 13 50th Anniversary (1976, R)

Tuesday | March 31 | 7PM



*Films are \$5 unless otherwise noted | Get tickets at RonRobinsonTheater.org.