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FEBRUARY 2019

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**

FREE CLASSES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.



The Smiling Cowboy



Burnis McCloud (left) and friends

As the nation celebrates Black History Month, we're highlighting the work of acclaimed Western photographer Burnis McCloud. The McCloud collection stands alone as the documentation of a unique time and place in American history—the flourishing of Denver's African-American community 1940–1980. As a self-taught photographer, McCloud captured countless rare moments preserved among the thousands of photographs in the Western History photo vaults. Gems include candid shots of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Duke Ellington and Jesse Jackson.

Born in 1908 in Birmingham, Alabama, McCloud's interest in photography began at age ten when he found camera parts while rummaging in a junkyard. The youngster took the parts to a photography store where the owner told him if he could put the camera together, he would teach him to use it. The rest, as they say, is history.

In 1939, McCloud entered a photograph of his son, Burnis, Jr., wearing his father's huge ten-gallon hat, in a photo contest sponsored by Eastman Kodak. He won and the photo was exhibited at the New York World's Fair. McCloud eventually decided on a career as a photographer and worked out of his home darkroom on Race Street.

We also invite you to attend any of the programs we have scheduled to celebrate Black History Month. The Juanita Gray Community Service Awards ceremony honors African American community leaders who have made outstanding contributions to the Denver metro area. Join Active Minds as we explore the colorful history, culture and people of New Orleans. Famous for its cuisine, French Creole influence, jazz and Mardi Gras, the Big Easy welcomes visitors from around the world. Or you may wish to look at the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., as we trace Dr. King's rise to prominence from a Baptist Pastor to Nobel Prize winner and leader of the civil rights movement.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

New Orleans: Biography of a City

Saturday, Feb. 2, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

@ Pauline Robinson

Join Active Minds for a virtual visit to New Orleans. Often referred to as the "most unique" city in America, it's famous for cuisine, French Creole influence, jazz and Mardi Gras. We'll explore the colorful history, culture and people, including the challenges of living in a coastal city where nearly half the land is below sea level. Plus, New Orleans influenced refreshments catered by Monica Kadillak.

Juanita Gray Community Service Awards Ceremony

Saturday, Feb. 2, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

@ Blair-Caldwell

The Denver Public Library honors African American community leaders at the annual Juanita Gray Community Service Awards ceremony. Please join us as we honor men, women and youth who make outstanding contributions to the Denver metro area or who have accomplished a professional goal in their field. Light refreshments to follow after awards presentation.

The Uncomfortable Truth: The History of Racism in America Film Screening

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 6-7:45 p.m.

@ Blair-Caldwell

Join us to watch a comprehensive and insightful exploration of the origins and history of racism in America—from slavery to Jim Crow era, from lynchings to protests—told through a very personal and honest story.

Martin Luther King Jr.

Thursday, Feb. 14, 1-2 p.m. @ **Sam Gary**
It's been over 50 years since Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr was assassinated on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee. Join Active Minds to take a look at his life and legacy, and trace Dr. King's rise to prominence from a Baptist pastor to Nobel Prize winner and leader of the civil rights movement. We will examine how Dr. King's efforts impacted history and how his ideas continue to influence our society today.

The Life of Booker T. Washington: A Family Perspective

Saturday, Feb. 23, 2-3 p.m. @ **Woodbury**
Eric Hughes, the great grandson of Booker T. Washington, tells a visual story of the life of this remarkable American. Using family photographs and other illustrations, the exceptional history of Dr. Washington comes alive in this presentation. Q&A to follow.

Black History Live: Maya Angelou

Saturday, Feb. 23, 2:30-3:30 p.m.
@ **Gonzales**
National Humanities and Chautauqua scholar Becky Stone will portray Dr. Maya Angelou, American poet, singer, memoirist and civil rights activist. Dr. Angelou will share how language can build, heal and transform. She gives insight into how she writes and why, and reflects on her philosophy of life. If this presentation does not motivate you to write, it should, at the very least, inspire you to read.

ACTIVE MINDS

Active Minds (activeminds.com) expands lives and minds by providing outstanding educational programs across Denver.

Wildfires

Saturday, Feb. 9, 1-2 p.m. @ **Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room**

Join Active Minds as we address the issue of wildfires from a variety of perspectives. Take a look at how fires are fought once they are burning and the role of forest policy, weather and newer challenges.

Kashmir

Thursday, Feb. 21,
3-4 p.m. @ **Ross-University Hills**

Thursday, Feb. 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ **Sam Gary**

Since the formation of India and Pakistan in 1947, both countries have fought over the region known as Kashmir. Containing a Muslim majority, but ruled by Hindu dominated India, Kashmir is viewed by Pakistan as belonging to them. So strong is this conflict that it has been the trigger of two separate wars between India and Pakistan, and even drawn China into the conflict. Add to the mix, the nuclear arsenal of both countries and it's not difficult to see the potential flashpoint that Kashmir represents in the region. We'll explore Kashmir and seek to understand its pivotal role in South Asia.

AUTHOR VISITS AND WRITING

Hard Times Writing Workshop with Lighthouse Writers Workshop

Tuesdays, 3-5 p.m. @ **Central Library, Floor 4, Rockwell Meeting Room**
Learn to put challenging life experiences into words. A seasoned instructor will provide prompts and then positive feedback for those who choose to share. No experience required; writing materials provided.

Write On! With Jana Clark

Saturday, Feb. 23, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
@ **Central Library, Floor 1, Burnham Hoyt Book Club Room**
Be led through a series of thinking and writing exercises designed to develop skills and inspire creativity. Previous attendance is not required. Topic: What's Love Got To Do With It?

The Ski Troops of World War II

Wednesday, Feb. 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
@ **Park Hill**
Retired Colonel Tom Duhs, co-author of the book *Sempre Avanti: Always Forward*, talks about the only Mountain Division the United States military ever had, beginning with the training at Camp Hale, Colorado and Camp Swift, Texas, and ending with their triumphant campaign as they pushed the German Army out of Italy.

BOOK CLUBS

Find all your favorite book clubs in the online events calendar at denverlibrary.org/events

BUSINESS AND JOB SEARCH

The Business of Being Creative: Photographing Your Artwork for Online Promotion

Tuesday, Feb. 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
@ **RiNo Art District, Converse Denver, 3327 Brighton Blvd.**
Learn from photographer Amy K. Wright the best methods to create enticing photos of your work for social media, web promotion and juried art shows. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

Power Up Your Presentations

Saturday, Feb. 16,
2-3:30 p.m. @ **Ross-University Hills**
Thursday, Feb. 28,
4-5:30 p.m. @ **Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom**
Learn how to improve your presentation while using PowerPoint and other presentation software. Explore best practices for designing and delivering your presentation and get hands-on experience.

eBooks MADE EASY



See page 10 for dates and locations.



MOVIE MAKING CAMP

Wednesdays, Feb. 6, 13, 20
3:30-5:30 p.m., Montbello

See this page for details.

Art Works

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

@ Ross-University Hills

After we share a book, little artists will make a simple craft or experiment with a variety of materials in open-ended art experiences. Dress to get messy. Ideal for ages 3-5 with an adult.

Movie Making Camp

Wednesdays, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

@ Montbello

Drop in for an hour or stay for the entire series. You'll learn storyboarding, props, filming, sound, acting and editing to create short movies. Any child who participates in making a movie will be invited to our super short film series premiere at Alamo Drafthouse Sloans Lake on May 11 at 12 p.m. to see their creations on the big screen. Ideal for ages 8-12.

Kids' Creation Club

Wednesdays, 3:45-4:45 p.m.

@ Ross-University Hills

Feb 6 & 20: Afternoon Art, Feb 13: LEGO Lab, Feb 27: STEAM Studio

Drop in and create with us. While supplies last. No registration required. Ideal for ages 5-10.

Yoga for Children

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

@ Woodbury

All levels of yoga taught in a safe, fun and supportive environment. The focus of the program is asanas (physical poses), breathwork and meditation. Ideal for ages 5-12 with an adult.

Hogwarts Spells and Potions Magic Show

Thursday, Feb. 7, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Park Hill

Celebrate Harry Potter Book Night with Professor Elstun Ravenclaw's Spells and Potions Magic Show. Ideal for ages 5 and up with an adult.

Preschool STEM

Friday, Feb. 8, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

@ Virginia Village

Explore simple STEM. Ideal for ages 3-5 with an adult.

Mask Making with the Denver Museum of Miniatures, Dolls, and Toys

Friday, Feb. 8, 4-5 p.m. @ Byers

Make a mask from paper. Mix and match from many bases and materials. Ideal for ages 5-15.

LEGO® Party

Saturday, Feb. 9, 2-4 p.m. @ Gonzales

Join us to celebrate all things LEGO along with the release of *The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part*. We'll have LEGO games, challenges activities, prizes and more. Ideal for ages 5 and up.

CHILDREN

Little University

@ Gonzales, Hadley, Montbello, Ross-Barnum, Ross-Broadway, Schlessman Family

Explore early learning activities beyond traditional Storytimes. Little University for grownups follows some events. Contact branch libraries for dates, times and topics.

STEM Club

Mondays, 4-5 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum

Tuesdays, 4-5 p.m. @ Virginia Village

Do stuff. Make stuff. Fun stuff. Plus snacks. We'll explore STEM every week. Ideal for ages 8-12.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Friday, Feb. 1, 4-5 p.m. @ Bear Valley

It's a very special Storytime! Bring a stuffed animal friend who would like to stay the night in the library. Children can then pick up their stuffed animals and a special memento on Saturday, Feb. 2. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Bendy Buddies

Friday, Feb. 1, 4-5 p.m. @ Montbello

Make a new bendy friend to take home. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Bollywood Dance for Families with Deepali

Friday, Feb. 1, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Park Hill

Deepali, born and brought up in India, has been dancing for as long as she can remember. Deepali likes to call herself a storyteller, using the media of dance, drama and film. Ideal for ages 6 and up with an adult.

Saturday Cartoon Hour

Saturdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. @ Hampden

Join us every Saturday morning for a selection of family-friendly cartoons and cereal.

Hansel and Gretel House

Saturday, Feb. 2,

11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Bear Valley

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 3:30-4:30 p.m. @ Decker

Wednesday, Feb. 20,

4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Woodbury

Design a scene straight from the fairytale of *Hansel and Gretel*. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Upcycled Castles

Saturday, Feb. 2, 1-2 p.m. @ Ross-Barnum

Create a castle using cardboard tubes and paint. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Chinese New Year Craft

Sunday, Feb. 3, 2-3 p.m. @ Gonzales

Celebrate the Year of the Pig with fun crafts. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Dinosaur Diorama

Monday, Feb. 4, 4:15-5:15 p.m. @ Hampden

Create a prehistoric scene, complete with dinosaurs and a volcano. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Starry Alphabet Canvas

Tuesday, Feb. 5,

4:30-5:30 p.m. @ Ford-Warren

Saturday, Feb. 16,

11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Bear Valley

Create an out of this world canvas with your initial. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Beaded Bubble Wand

Sunday, Feb. 10, 2-3 p.m. @ **Gonzales**
Make a unique beaded bubble wand.
Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Mo Willems' Birthday Party

Monday, Feb. 11 @ **Green Valley Ranch**
Celebrate beloved author Mo Willems
with mini cupcakes and a craft. All ages.

Adventures in Art

Monday, Feb. 11, 11-11:30 a.m.
@ **Green Valley Ranch**
Come dressed to get messy as we create
process-focused art! We'll explore various
mediums including paint, clay, chalk and
more. Ideal for ages 2-5 with an adult.

Playing Card Garlands

Monday, Feb. 11, 4-5 p.m. @ **Montbello**
Sunday, Feb. 24, 2-3 p.m. @ **Gonzales**
Use special scratch paper and playing cards
to make a "people" garland. Ideal for ages
3-8 with an adult.

Dragon Egg

Monday, Feb. 11, 4:15-5:15 p.m. @ **Hampden**
Saturday, Feb. 16, 1-3 p.m. @ **Ross-Barnum**
Make a nest and egg perfect for a dragon.
Ideal for ages 3-8.

Shrinky Valentine Bookmark

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
@ **Woodbury**
Mark your page using your own special
bookmark with dangling shrinky charms.
Ideal for ages 3-6 with an adult.

Toddler Valentine Dance Party

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 6-7 p.m. @ **Eugene Field**
Join us in your fanciest apparel for
Valentine's Day crafts, music, fun and
dancing. Black tie optional. Ideal for
ages 18 months-5 years.

Magnetic Slime

Thursday, Feb. 14, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
@ **Woodbury**
Enjoy getting your hands dirty while making
this cool project with magnets and slime.
Ideal for ages 5-12 with an adult.

Awesome Art Adventures

Friday, Feb. 15, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
@ **Virginia Village**
Read a book and create art. Learn about
color and experiment with different textures
using paints, paper, clay and more. Dress to
get messy. Ideal for ages 2-5 with an adult.

Teddy Bear Picnic

Friday, Feb. 15, 4-5 p.m. @ **Smiley**
Design a picnic table for two hungry teddy
bears. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult.

Invisible Crayon Painting

Friday, Feb. 15, 4-5 p.m. @ **Montbello**
Wednesday, Feb. 27,
4:30-5:30 p.m. @ **Woodbury**
Create a beautiful painting using
watercolors and special crayons. Ideal for
ages 3-8 with an adult.

Baby Storytime

Saturday, Feb. 16, 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
@ **Virginia Village**
Stories, songs, rhymes and fun the third
Saturday monthly, Jan. through May.
Ideal for ages birth-18 months and their
parents or caregivers.

Stained Glass Trees

Saturday, Feb. 16,
2-3 p.m. @ **Schlessman Family**
Sunday, Feb. 17, 2-3 p.m. @ **Gonzales**
Create a magical landscape with colorful
tissue paper trees. Ideal for ages 3-8 with
an adult.

Kids Create

Saturday, Feb. 16, 2-3 p.m. @ **Hampden**
Create your own masterpiece while
exploring the world of art through picture
books. Ideal for ages 5-9.

LEGO® Party

Tuesday, Feb. 19, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
@ **Ford-Warren**
Try your hand at four different paper LEGO-
themed crafts. Ideal for ages 3-8.

Create a Book

Saturday, Feb. 23, 1-2 p.m. @ **Ross-Barnum**
Explore how books are made, create
your own title and explore different tools
to design the perfect addition to your
collection. Ideal for ages 2-6 with an adult.

LEGO® Club

Saturday, Feb. 23, 2-3 p.m.
@ **Green Valley Ranch**
Create STEM building projects with LEGOs.
You bring the imagination and we'll provide
the building bricks. Ideal for ages 5-11.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Equity in Schools: We PHNEEd to Talk

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 6-8 p.m. @ **Park Hill**
Park Hill Neighbors for Equity in Education
(PHNEE) invites you to a discussion of how
to use stakeholder power to improve equity
in schools. Add your voice to this series of
conversations about diversity, equity and
inclusion in education.

Conversation for the Ages: Community

Saturday, Feb. 9, 2:30-4 p.m. @ **Park Hill**
What do we owe to each other? How do we
talk about what matters most? Engage in one
or all of our monthly discussions using classic
and contemporary texts as springboards for
talking about pressing issues.

Community in Conversation

Saturday, Feb. 16, 2:30-4:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**
Are your neighbors solving issues via Next
Door or Facebook Groups? From everyday
issues to larger community concerns, how do
we have conversations in our neighborhood
that address conflict and disagreement in
positive ways? Explore tools from affective
statements to understanding your conflict
motivations in order to effectively address
issues and strengthen relationships with
your neighbors.

MEMORY CAFE

A social and educational group for
people experiencing memory loss
and their families and caregivers.

See page 9 for dates,
locations and topics.



ANTI-VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY: VALLEY OF THE DOLLS AT MODERN NOMAD

Friday, Feb. 8, 7-9 p.m. , RiNo Art District,
Modern Nomad, 2936 Larimer St.

See page 7 for details.

Coffee Connections

Wednesday, Feb. 27, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

@ Central Library, Floor 4, Lounge

Library customers experiencing homelessness and other community members are invited to meet library staff to enjoy coffee, fresh donuts and informal conversation.

Community Conversations 2019

Engage with your neighbors in a Community Conversation. We'll explore what kind of community you want to live in, and what actions can be taken to improve community life. Contact community@denverlibrary.org to join the list for our next event in your neighborhood.

DIY

Buttons and Beer

Friday, Feb. 1, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

@ ReCreative Denver, 765 Santa Fe Dr.

On First Friday stop by to see our friends at ReCreative Denver and visit the Byers Branch Library table to create with our button makers. Now with bottle opener keychains! Ideal for ages 18 and up.

Maker-in-Residence Studio Sessions

Saturdays, Feb. 2, 1-3 p.m. & Feb. 9, 1-2 p.m.

@ Central Library, Floor 4,

SM Energy ideaLAB

Join Maker-in-Residence Matt Cruz, local music producer and rapper, for casual drop-in studio assistance. Bring your questions, your music and your recording projects in process. Arrive early. Space is limited; first come, first served.

Retrocraft: Perler Bead Magnets

Saturday, Feb. 2, 2-3 p.m.

@ Ross-University Hills

Channel your inner child by turning fusible plastic beads into fun, 8-bit characters and shapes.

Dr. Sketchy's Anti-Art School

Sunday, Feb. 3, 5-7:30 p.m.

@ RiNo Art District, Zeppelin Station,
3501 Wazee St.

Hosted by Denver's beloved burlesque queen, Vivienne Vavoom, this fun evening has everything: costumed models, fun themes, cash bar, great menu items, art-lovin' people. All skill levels welcome—giveaways and prizes for attendees. All dry mediums and neat watercolor sets are okay. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

Knitting Club

Mondays, Feb. 4, 11, 25, 6-7:30 p.m.

@ Schlessman Family

Lessons, movies, charity work and, of course, knitting.

Ultra Violet T-Shirt Printing

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ Decker

Join us as we learn a fun and creative process involving Ultraviolet technology and your favorite design. T-shirt will be provided, or you can bring your own. Limited to 20 participants.

Make Music Meetup

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

@ Central Library, Floor 4,

SM Energy ideaLAB

Maker-in-Residence Matt Cruz will guide you in making your own hip-hop or ambient beats using GarageBand and other tools available in the ideaLAB. No experience required.

Sewing Circle

Wednesdays, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Hampden

Bring your sewing project and join other crafters in conversation in the ideaLAB.

Sewing Lounge

Thursdays, Feb. 7 & 14, 12-2 p.m.

@ Bear Valley

Need a sewing machine for a special project? Grab your supplies and head over to use ours. Staff will be on hand to answer questions.

Madame Defarge's Home for

Wayward Hands: Create an

Iconic Love Letter

Thursday, Feb. 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

@ RiNo Art District, Zeppelin Station,
3501 Wazee St.

Wallow in the words and sentiments of the most beautiful and heart-wrenching letters ever composed—and then put your love into language and heart to the page writing letters to your beloved(s). Fancy love stationary included. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

Snarky Cross Stitch

Saturday, Feb. 9, 1-3 p.m.

@ Schlessman Family

It's snarky cross stitch, where sarcasm meets handicraft. Bring your own project or choose from a selection of simple, cynical patterns. Materials provided.

Etched Glass Candles

Saturday, Feb. 9, 2-3:30 p.m. @ Bear Valley

Learn the arts of glass etching and melt-and-pour candle-making, and enjoy hot drinks and treats. Supplies provided.

Sit 'n' Knit

Tuesdays, Feb. 12 & 26, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

@ Bear Valley

Experienced knitters can share their knowledge while beginners get tips from skilled cohorts. Fiber host: Charlotte Updike.

Cross Stitching

Tuesday, Feb. 19, 6-7:30 p.m. @ **Hampden**
Learn to cross stitch on a laser cut pendant.

DIY Crayon T-Shirt Design

Thursday, Feb. 21, 5:30-7 p.m. @ **Byers**
Iron an original crayon drawing from sandpaper onto a white T-Shirt. Draw anything you want! Shirts and crayons provided, but you can bring your own if you want a particular color or fit.

GENEALOGY

Find additional Genealogy classes and events in the online events calendar at denverlibrary.org/events

Beginning Genealogy

Saturday, Feb. 9, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Meeting Room**

Learn to think genealogically through exploration of census using *ancestry.com*, pedigree charts and family group sheets and other major record groups.

Black Genealogy Search Group DNA Discussion Group

Saturday, Feb. 23, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

@ **Blair-Caldwell**

Learn more about how DNA testing can help with genealogical research. Includes understanding the testing process and reading the results. Visit bqsgden.org for more information.

Wales. Ireland. Scotland. England Family History Society—W.I.S.E.

Saturday, Feb. 23, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Floor 7, Vida Ellison Gallery**

Explore your British Isles and Irish family history.

MORE FUN STUFF

¡Habla Ya! Spanish Conversation Group

Tuesdays, 4-5 p.m. @ **Schlessman Family**
Practice your Spanish with other language learners. This is not an instructional course, but rather a great opportunity to chat and improve your skills through facilitated conversation.

Kindness Club

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 4-5:30 p.m. @ **Sam Gary**
Promote kindness through simple acts. We'll focus on making bookmarks to hide in library books in preparation for Random Acts of Kindness Week. Make an official Kindness Club member button and meet new friends and neighbors. Ideal for all ages, children must be accompanied by an adult.

Cherry Creek Theatre Presents: Behind the Scenes

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 6-7 p.m.

@ **Ross-Cherry Creek**

Cherry Creek Theatre co-founders and others will discuss how the director interacts with the music director, stage manager, set designer other behind the scenes personnel to produce the play you see on the stage. Plus, learn about cultural events available through the SIE film Center.

Winter of Reading Book Cover Lotería at Cap City Tavern

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 6-7:30 p.m.

@ **Cap City Tavern, 1247 Bannock St.**

Sign up for Winter of Reading while playing book cover Lotería, a bingo-style game with a literary twist. Enjoy your favorite microbrew, visit some old classics and learn great new titles to add to your reading list.

Vintage Gaming #TBT

Thursday, Feb. 7, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ **Byers**

Relive your youth with old school video games and systems, including NES, Super NES, Sega, N64, Gamecube and Wii, all with a variety of classic games and arcade style games. Refreshments provided. For ages 18 and up, unless accompanied by an adult.

Anti-Valentine's Day Party: Valley of the Dolls Screening at Modern Nomad

Friday, Feb. 8, 7-9 p.m. @ **RiNo Art District, Modern Nomad, 2936 Larimer St.**

Because love sometimes stinks and show business isn't much better, we're partnering with Modern Nomad to host our 6th Annual Anti-Valentine's Day Party including a film screening of the cult classic, *Valley of the Dolls*. This 1967 blockbuster is loaded with arguments for a life out of the limelight and reasons to avoid falling in love. Come solo or bring your significant other and enjoy sweets, savories and sips on us! Arrive at 6 p.m. for early specials at Modern Nomad and a mini-workshop and tour at Awakenings boutique. Seating is limited. Register at denverlibrary.org/rinopopup

Light Up Valentines

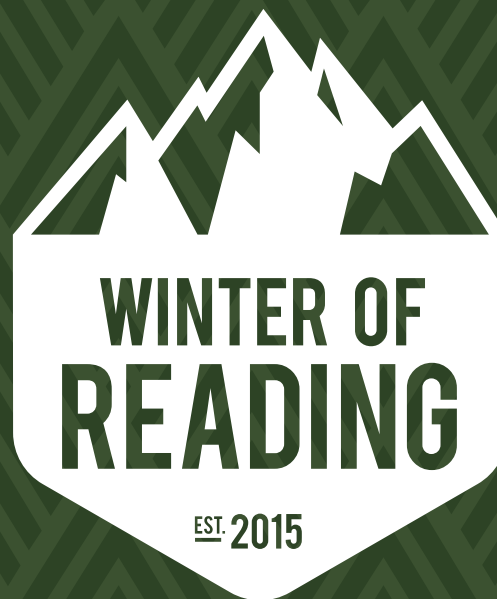
Saturday, Feb. 9, 9:30-11 a.m.

@ **Central Library, Floor 4, SM Energy idealLAB**

Thursday, Feb. 14, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

@ **Ross-University Hills**

We'll use copper tape, LEDs and coin batteries, along with paper-folding skills, to make a lit-up papercraft Valentine card. Ideal for ages 12 and up.



JAN. 2-FEB. 29

There's still time to join the fun.
Sign up at your favorite branch today!

Research Rendezvous

Feb. 10, 2-4:30 p.m. @ **Central Library**
Students, consult with experts in order to narrow your topic, hone your thesis, receive guidance regarding research directions and more for your National History Day Project. Register at tinyurl.com/ya2o6so3

Anti-Valentine's Day Sitcom Celebration

Thursday, Feb. 14, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

@ Woodbury

We'll be screening hilarious Valentine's Day TV sitcom episodes while enjoying warm refreshments, snacks and, of course, chocolate!

Food Lover's Book Club: Chocolate

Wednesday, Feb. 20, 6-7 p.m.

@ Ross-Cherry Creek

What's Valentine's Day without chocolate? Join food writer Amanda M. Faison and Sienna Trapp-Bowie of Boulder-based Fortuna Chocolate to discuss the prized treat. They'll dissect the meaning of bean-to-bar, talk technique and wax rhapsodic about recipes. Pick up a copy of *Chocolate Desserts*, by Pierre Hermé ahead of time and come for the chat. Bonus: Samples!

Science in the News: The History and Science of Vaccines: What, How, Who, Why

Thursday, Feb. 21, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

@ Sam Gary

In 2000 the United States declared measles was eradicated thanks to the MMR vaccine. Two decades later the World Health Organization has reported that outbreaks are on the rise. Vaccines are a powerful tool for protecting ourselves, our loved ones and our communities from disease. But many fear that they carry their own risks, and don't participate. So what are the facts and what are the stakes? Join three local scientists from the University of Colorado to discuss the history, science and medicine of vaccinations. Ideal for ages 13 and up with an adult.

Underground Comedy Club:

Janae Burris

Thursday, Feb. 21, 7-8:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**

Laugh with Janae Burris, 2016 Comedy Works New Faces Champ and one third of Denver comedy trio Pussy Bros, in our underground, after hours comedy club. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. 18 and over only due to adult content.

Archaeological Institute Lecture: Early Homo Sapiens in Italy

Saturday, Feb. 23, 2-3:30 p.m.

@ Central Library, Conference Center

Learn about early Homo sapiens in Italy with Professor Jamie Hodgkins from the University of Colorado.

Break Up With Your Car

Saturday, Feb. 23, 2:30-3:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**

Discover the benefits and freedom of car-lite living in Denver. Explore shared mobility options, public transit and walking. Yes, you can buy groceries and still go to the mountains.

Murmur

Sunday, Feb. 24, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

@ RiNo Art District, Improper City, 3201 Walnut Street

There's a secret in the city, but not for long. Denver Public Library and Improper City present Murmur, a monthly event that highlights creativity from all walks of the creative community. Hosted by performance artist Julie Rada with sound, light and costumes provided by designer Kyle Lane. Enjoy fellowship with your neighbors along with live music, food sampling, a chance to sing with the 'choir,' an inspirational reading and some surprise performance pieces.

Gratefulness Gathering

Tuesday, Feb. 26, 6-7 p.m.

@ Ross-Cherry Creek

Come together for a guided gratefulness practice. We will meet the last Tuesday of each month to explore different aspects of grateful living.

MOVIES & MUSIC

Midday Music: Istari World Percussion

Friday, Feb. 1, 1-2 p.m. @ **Schlessman Family**
Drumming from around the world! Together, Chadzilla and Ed Contreras show the roots of modern American music.

Community Sing-Along

Monday, Feb. 4, 6:15-7:45 p.m.

@ Schlessman Family

We'll tap into the joyful part of ourselves that is the essence of singing in a group. We are inclusive, diverse and memory friendly.

Odyle

Saturday, Feb. 9, 10:30-11:30 a.m. @ **Hadley**

Join us for monthly live music, perfect for the whole family. This month we have Odyle, who will ease you into the weekend with their dark, dreamy, moody music.

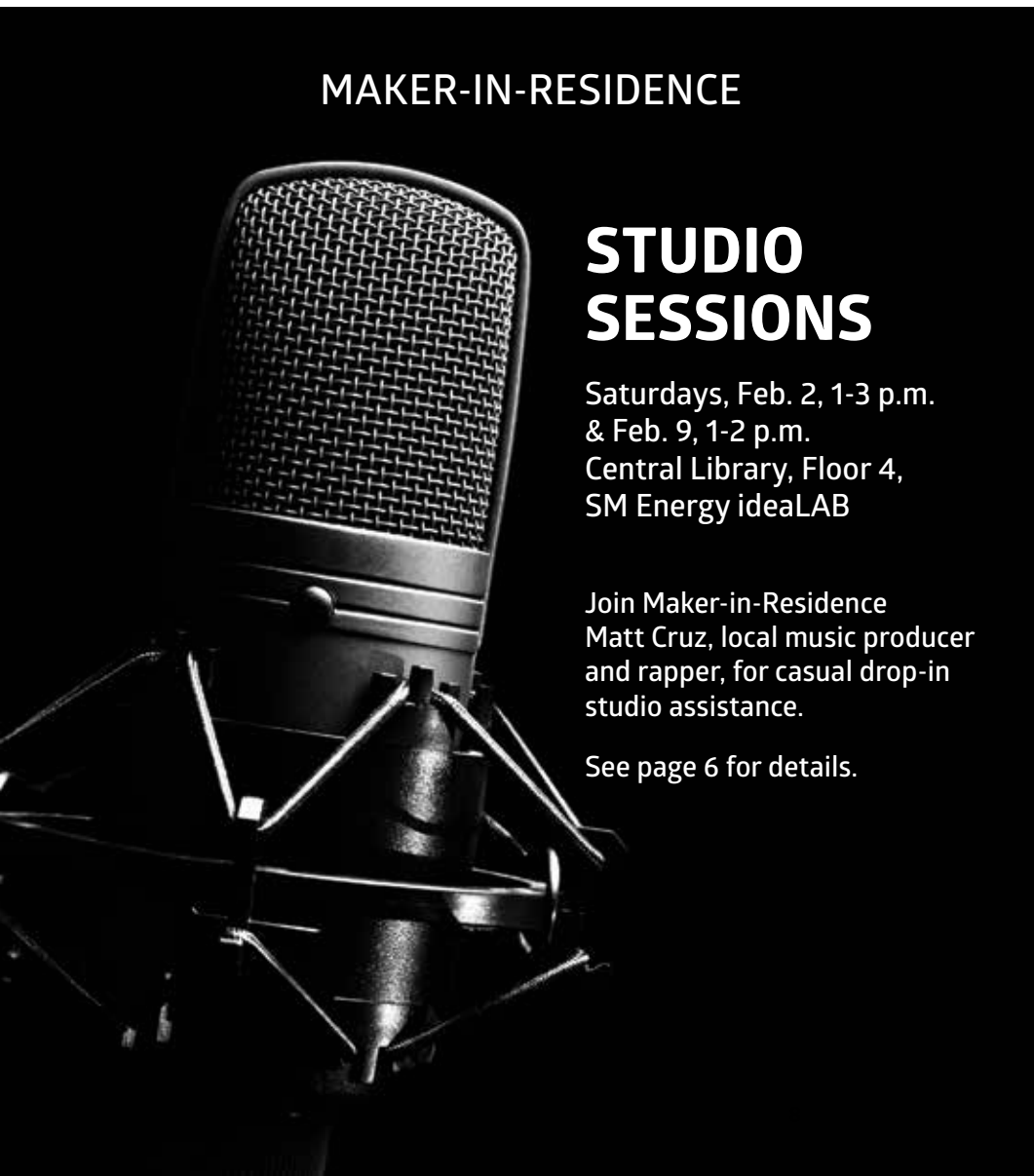
MAKER-IN-RESIDENCE

STUDIO SESSIONS

Saturdays, Feb. 2, 1-3 p.m.
& Feb. 9, 1-2 p.m.
Central Library, Floor 4,
SM Energy ideaLAB

Join Maker-in-Residence Matt Cruz, local music producer and rapper, for casual drop-in studio assistance.

See page 6 for details.



Harold and Lillian: A Hollywood Love Story (2015)

Sunday, Feb. 10, 1:30-3 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Conference Center**

Storyboard artist Harold Michelson and film researcher Lillian Michelson were behind some of the most iconic moments in cinema history. Daniel Raim's documentary about this hidden Hollywood power couple is a touching Valentine's tribute to how movies really get made.

Chamber Music Concert

Saturday, Feb. 16, 2-3 p.m. @ **Decker**

Get swept away by a wide range of classical works performed by amateur musicians from the Colorado Chamber Music Society.

NORTH OF 50

Designed for those 50+ and their friends and family in order to stay healthy, informed, connected and happy.

Memory Cafe

Birds of a Feather

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1:30-3 p.m. @ **Ford-Warren**

Art of Jazz

Tuesday, Feb. 12,

1:30-3 p.m. @ **Schlessman Family**

Write Your Own Story

Tuesday, Feb. 26,

2-3 p.m. @ **Schlessman Family**

Memory Cafe is a social and educational group for people experiencing memory loss and their families and caregivers. It is a safe place to socialize, relax and learn without the fear of stigma. Each cafe has a program followed by socializing so that people can connect with others with shared experiences. We do not provide formal care or supervision.

Origami For Seniors

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 4-5 p.m. @ **Park Hill**

Benefit from the tranquil art of paper folding and take away some beautiful items you've created from single sheets of paper.

Self Care For Caregivers:

Journal Writing And More

Saturday, Feb. 16, 1-2:30 p.m.

@ **Schlessman Family**

Learn how to cope with the often rewarding yet overwhelming work of caring for a loved one. We will learn the Journal to Self writing techniques and other tools for creative self care. You'll benefit from the company of other caregivers and become empowered with new ways of caring for your loved one while you also take care of yourself.

LITTLE UNIVERSITY

Explore early learning activities beyond traditional Storytimes.

See page 4 for details.



TECHNOLOGY

Technology Classes @ Central Library

Looking for computer or gadget help? Attend free technology classes on everything from computer basics to building your own website. Visit denverlibrary.org/ctc for the class schedule and more information.

ideaLAB Open Lab

Go to denverlibrary.org/idealab for dates and times @ **Central Library, Gonzales, Hadley, Hampden, Montbello**

During open lab, in our makerspace, you can try out hardware and software to create music, games, 3D designs, art and more. All ages.

Tech Help Appointments

@**Athmar, Bear Valley, Byers, Central Library, Decker, Ford-Warren, Gonzales, Hadley, Hampden, Pauline Robinson, Ross-Broadway, Ross-University Hills, Sam Gary, Valdez-Perry, Westwood**

Get personalized technology assistance and instruction on your own device or a public computer. Call your library to schedule your appointment.

Drop In Tech Help

Mondays, 1-3 p.m. @ **Hadley**

Mondays, 2-3 p.m. @ **Gonzales**

Tuesdays, 12-1 p.m. @ **Decker**

Tuesdays, 2-3 p.m. @ **Gonzales**

Tuesdays, 3-4 p.m. @ **Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom**

Wednesdays, 12-1 p.m. @ **Blair-Caldwell, Schlessman Family**

Wednesdays, 2-3 p.m. @ **Bear Valley**

Fridays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ **Hampden**

Saturdays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. @ **Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom**

Sunday, Jan. 27, 2-3:30 p.m. @ **Hampden**

Learn how to use tech more effectively. Get help navigating the internet, email and social networks. Learn how to access ebooks on any device and get your phone and tablet questions answered.

Computer Basics Series

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

@ **Ross-University Hills**

Feb. 5 - Internet 1

Feb. 12 - Internet 2

Feb. 19 - Craigslist Basics

Feb. 26 - Microsoft Word Basics

Learn computer and smartphone basics such as how to set up an email account, search the internet, use social media safely and more.

Python

Tuesdays, Feb., 6-8 p.m. @ **Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom**

Feb. 5 - Variables, Data Types and Expressions

Feb. 12 - Format Operators, Input and Conditions

Feb. 19 - Functions and Loops

Feb. 26 - Classes, Objects and Modules

Learn basic Python, a beginner-friendly computer programming language. No previous programming experience required.

Tool Workshop: Inkscape for Laser Cutting

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 6-7:30 p.m. @ **Hampden**

Learn about Inkscape, a free graphics program, for use with the laser cutter.

Technology Classes

Sundays, Feb. 10 & 24, 2-3:30 p.m.

@ **Hampden**

Looking for computer and gadget help? Attend free technology classes on everything from social media to resume building. Visit denverlibrary.org/events/upcoming for the class schedule and more information.

eBooks Made Easy

Saturday, Feb. 16,

10:30-12 p.m. @ **Park Hill**

Wednesday, Feb. 20, 3-4:30 p.m. @ **Smiley**

Thursday, Feb. 21,

2-3 p.m. @ **Pauline Robinson**

Learn how to access library eBooks, audio books and video with your library card. Bring your own smartphone, tablet or laptop, or explore the eBooks website using a library computer.

Search Engine Optimization Basics

Thursday, Feb. 21, 4-5:30 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom**

Learn about Search Engine Optimization (SEO). Debunk SEO myths and learn basic tools and tips to help improve your website's online presence.

Microsoft Word: Long Documents

Thursday, Feb. 28, 3-4:30 p.m.

@ **Ross-University Hills**

Microsoft Word has many tools that make working on long documents a snap. Learn about styles, headers, footers, page numbers and tables. Basic Word skills required.

TEENS

Teen Magic Club

Monday, Feb. 4, 4:30-5:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**

Do you already play Magic: the Gathering, or are you interested in learning? Stop by to play and meet other teens. Ideal for ages 11-17.

Teen STEAM

Tuesdays, Feb. 5 & 12, 4-5:30 p.m. @ **Byers**

Fun after school engineering and craft activities. Ideal for ages 11-18.

Eazy Gaming

Wednesdays, 3-4:30 p.m. @ **Byers**

Play great video games on a Wii, N64 and PS4. Ideal for ages 6-18.

Ukulele Class with Swallow Hill

Thursday, Feb. 14, 5-6 p.m. @ **Ford-Warren**

Ukulele is small, easy to carry, easy on the fingers and simple to start with. You will learn a couple chords and simple, singable songs. Ukuleles and instruction provided by Swallow Hill Music. This is a 12-part series on the second Thursday of each month.

Write & Talk for Teens with Lighthouse Writers

Wednesday, Feb. 20, 4-6 p.m. @ **Sam Gary**

Are you interested in exploring the world of creative writing? Join local author Whitney Gaines to try a new genre or topic each month. We'll try our hands at fiction, poetry, screenwriting and graphic novels, with time for freewriting and conversation.

Clothespin Frame for Tweens & Teens

Thursday, Feb. 21, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

@ **Woodbury**

Place all your favorite photos in this unique picture frame. Ideal for ages 10-18.

SAT/ACT Prep

Thursday, Feb. 21, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

@ **Green Valley Ranch**

Get ready for the SATs and ACTs with this session designed to prepare you for the questions ahead.

Mardi Gras Masks

Thursday, Feb. 28, 5-7 p.m. @ **Ford-Warren**

Decorate a mask in the spirit of Mardi Gras, coming March 5, or plan ahead for Halloween. The only limit is your imagination.

WELLNESS

Adult Yoga

Saturday, Feb. 2 & 16, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

@ **Green Valley Ranch**

Yoga taught in a safe, fun and supportive environment. This class focuses on asanas (physical poses), breathwork and meditation. All levels. Presented by Shanti Home. *Supported by a grant from RE/MAX Altitude.*

Walk With a Doc

Saturday, Feb. 9, 8-9 a.m.

@ **Crestmoor Park, 99 S Monaco Pkwy, Meet at the Tennis Courts**

Learn about important health topics, then walk and get fit, side-by-side with doctors, nurses and your friends. Free blood pressure checks, giveaways and refreshments. For more information, visit denver.walkwithadoc.org

Health Navigation

Tuesday, Feb. 12, 4-5 p.m. @ **Park Hill**

Participate in an interactive discussion led by Ellen Keckler, Patient Navigator for Boomers Leading Change, around the social determinants of health and how they impact the access and utilization of health care and health-related services.

Laughter Yoga

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

@ **Park Hill**

Enjoy playful laughter exercises interspersed with gentle breathing and stretching. During this joyful practice, you'll strengthen the immune system, increase tolerance to pain and combat the negative effects of stress. Simple, fun and accessible to people of all fitness levels.

Meditative Yoga for Every Body

Saturday, Feb. 23, 10-11 a.m. @ **Hadley**

Join us for a beginner yoga class geared toward all ability levels. You are encouraged to bring a mat, towel and water and wear loose, comfortable clothing.

Arrive early. Space is limited.

If you need sign language or CART Services, contact SignLanguageServices@denvergov.org with at least a three (3) business day notice. For other public accommodation requests/concerns related to a disability, please contact DisabilityAccess@denvergov.org

STORYTIME



| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| 10:15 a.m. Toddler Sam Gary | 10:15 a.m. Preschool Sam Gary | 10:15 a.m. Toddler Decker | 10:15 a.m. All Ages Decker | 10:15 a.m. Baby Sam Gary | 10 a.m. All Ages Eugene Field |
| 10:30 a.m. All Ages Ross-Cherry Creek | 10:30 a.m. All Ages Byers Eugene Field | 10:30 a.m. All Ages Gonzales Ross-Broadway | 10:30 a.m. All Ages Park Hill Ross-University Hills Virginia Village | 10:30 a.m. All Ages Central, Children's Gonzales Montbello Woodbury | 2 p.m. All Ages/Spanish Gonzales |
| All Ages/ Bilingual Ford-Warren | Baby Green Valley Ranch Smiley | Toddler Bear Valley Central, Children's Ford-Warren Woodbury | Baby Ross-Broadway Ross-Cherry Creek | All Ages/Bilingual Athmar Ford-Warren | 3 p.m. All Ages/Spanish Hadley |
| Toddler Eugene Field | Toddler Central, Children's Schlessman Family Virginia Village | Preschool Hadley Pauline Robinson | Toddler Hampden | Baby Bear Valley Eugene Field Hampden Schlessman Family | |
| Baby Central, Children's Ross-University Hills Woodbury | 11:15 a.m. All Ages/Bilingual Valdez-Perry | 11:15 a.m. Baby Decker | Preschool Central, Children's Schlessman Family Smiley | Toddler Green Valley Ranch Park Hill Ross-Cherry Creek Smiley Ross-University Hills | |
| Preschool Bear Valley Green Valley Ranch | Toddler Sam Gary | 4:30 p.m. All Ages Hadley | 11:15 a.m. Baby Decker Park Hill | 11:15 a.m. Baby Park Hill | |
| 11:15 a.m. Baby Ford-Warren Sam Gary | 2 p.m. Baby Smiley | 7 p.m. All Ages Sam Gary | 11:30 a.m. Baby Virginia Village | Preschool Sam Gary | |
| | | | 5 p.m. All Ages/Bilingual Ross-Barnum | 4:30 p.m. All Ages/Spanish Hadley | |
| | | | 6 p.m. All Ages/Bilingual Green Valley Ranch | | |

- Baby 0-18 month old
- Toddler 18-36 months old
- Preschool 3-5 years old
- All Ages 0-5 years old
- All Ages/Bilingual 0-5 years old



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Central Library
720.865.1111
10 W. 14th Ave. Pkwy. 80204

Athmar Park
720.865.0230
1055 S. Tejon St. 80223

Bear Valley
720.865.0975
5171 W. Dartmouth Ave. 80236

Blair-Caldwell African American
Research Library
720.865.2401
2401 Welton St. 80205

Byers
720.865.0160
675 Santa Fe Dr. 80204

Decker
720.865.0220
1501 S. Logan St. 80210

Eugene Field
720.865.0240
810 S. University Blvd. 80209

Ford-Warren
720.865.0920
2825 High St. 80205

Green Valley Ranch
720.865.0310
4856 N. Andes Ct. 80249

Hadley
720.865.0170
1890 S. Grove St. 80219

Hampden
720.865.0185
9755 E. Girard Ave. 80231

Montbello
720.865.0200
12955 Albrook Dr. 80239

Park Hill
720.865.0250
4705 Montview Blvd. 80207

Pauline Robinson
720.865.0290
5575 E. 33rd Ave. 80207

Rodolfo "Corky" Gonzales
720.865.2370
1498 Irving St. 80204

Ross-Barnum
720.865.0145
3570 W. 1st Ave. 80219

Ross-Broadway
720.865.0135
33 E. Bayaud Ave. 80209

Ross-Cherry Creek
720.865.0120
305 Milwaukee St. 80206

Ross-University Hills
720.865.0955
4310 E. Amherst Ave. 80222

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720.865.0325
2961 Roslyn St. 80238

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720.865.0000
100 Poplar St. 80220

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720.865.0260
4501 W. 46th Ave. 80212

Valdez-Perry
720.865.0300
4690 Vine St. 80216

Virginia Village
720.865.0940
1500 S. Dahlia St. 80222

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720.865.0215
1000 S. Lowell Blvd. 80219

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720.865.0930
3265 Federal Blvd. 80211



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