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LIBRARY

Serving Baxter County

Program Guide
Holiday Edition

November-December 2025

Read | Write | Ignite LITERARY SERIES

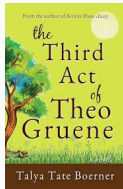
Wicked Day

Saturday, Nov. 1, 10:00am-1:00pm
Enjoy a wand making craft, story time, pink and green treats as you journey down the yellow brick road. Dress up as your favorite Oz character or casual.

If All Baxter County Read the Same Book: Discussion

Monday, Nov. 3, 5:00-6:30pm

Join us for the last book discussion on *The Third Act of Theo Gruene* by Talya Tate Boerner as we close out this year's community read.



Into the Woods Youth Reading Challenge

November 1-December 31

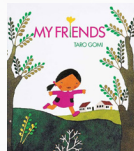
Ages birth-grade 12 can read 3 books to be entered to win a small book bundle or read 9 books to be entered to win a large book bundle! Register on Beanstack or pick up your paper log at the Children's Desk.

StoryWalk® at ASUMH

Located at the James and Sally Moore Recreational Trail Head, this outdoor path features pages of a children's book posted along the trail for a fun, active reading experience.

My Friends by Taro Gomi September-November

A little girl shares all she's learned from her many animal friends in this sweet tale of friendship.



Fox Versus Winter by Corey R. Tabor December-January

Fox hates winter—until he decides to fight it! Can he win against the season?



THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

A FILM BY KEN BURNS, SARAH BOTSTEIN & DAVID SCHMIDT

PREMIERES
SUN NOV 16 8/7c
PBS
WATCH TRAILER

Transcribe-a-thon: By The People Project

Saturday, Nov. 8, 10:30am-1:30pm **R**

Help transcribe historical documents with the Library of Congress By the People project, Arkansas State Library, and Arkansas PBS. Enjoy a sneak preview of *The American Revolution* by Ken Burns, learn how to transcribe, and work together on documents. Bring a laptop or keyboard device if you can—pizza lunch provided!

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

CENTER FOR THE BOOK

ARKANSAS AFFILIATE



Arkansas State Library

Arkansas PBS

Self-Serve Gift Wrapping Station

December 1 - December 23

Need a secret spot to wrap gifts? Sneak away to the Library! We provide paper, tape, scissors, and ribbon—just bring your gifts and bows. Look for the table in the Library lobby and ask for scissors at the front desk.



Family Jolly-Day Bash

Saturday, Dec. 6, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Cookie Walk · Hot Chocolate · Crafts
Plinko · Piano Players · And More!

Santa

Story Time & Photos
10:30am - 11:30am

The Art Odyssey Holiday Bazaar

Celebrating Artists in the Arkansas Ozarks

Saturday, Dec. 6, 10:00am - 2:00pm



Shop unique creations from juried artists of Art Odyssey 2025!
Find perfect holiday gifts for you or your loved ones!



Peter Fletcher: Classical Guitar Christmas Concert

Friday, Dec. 12, 3:00pm

Celebrate the season with acclaimed classical guitarist Peter Fletcher. Fletcher has captivated audiences across the country, from Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall to the Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concert Series in Chicago. A student of renowned teachers—including José Tomás, teaching assistant to the legendary Andrés Segovia.

Enjoy an afternoon of music featuring holiday favorites like *O Come, All Ye Faithful*, *Sleigh Ride*, and a Christmas carol medley, along with timeless works by Vivaldi, Bach, and Tchaikovsky.



Inspiring Imagination | Igniting Interests | Enabling Learning

Adult Programs

Make It! R

These crafting and DIY classes are an excellent way to try out a new hobby.

Sponsor: Mike and Katie Risk

Crafty Card Making: Christmas Card

Tuesday, Nov. 25, 1:30pm



Open Maker Space R

Sponsor: Mike and Katie Risk

Bring your unfinished project and work on it in our space. Arrange to use Library equipment via email: jamie.v@baxlib.org.

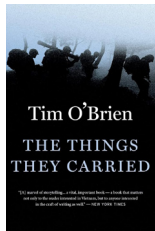
Thursday, Nov. 20, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Thursday, Dec. 18, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Ales & Tales

Join us at Rapp's Barren Brewing Co.

every 2nd Tuesday for a live reading! A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Library Foundation.



***The Things They Carried*
by Tim O'Brien**

Nov. 18, 6:00pm

***Nightmare Before Christmas*
by Tim Burton**

Dec. 9, 6:00pm



Yoga

Mondays & Wednesdays, 4:00pm

Volunteer, Tony Khayat, will lead gentle exercises. Yoga will be downstairs Nov. 5 and Nov. 19. No class on Dec. 24.

Color Me Calm

Wednesdays, 9:30am - Noon

Friendly conversations, relaxing music, and fun coloring supplies.

Artistic Vibes: Art & Music

Saturday, Nov. 1, 2:00-3:00pm

Meet artist Beth Ivens whose artwork is currently on display at the Library. Listen to cello music by Russell Tucker and piano by Shirley Pointer.



Homesteading Skills

Sponsor: Cynthia Peterson

Gain the skills you need to live a simpler, more sustainable life.

Sourdough Discard: R

Cinnamon Apple Muffins

Thursday, Nov. 13, 4:30pm

Learn how to use sourdough discard to make a delicious Autumn treat.

Saturn! If You Like It, Put a Ring on It R

Saturday, Nov. 22, 4:00pm

Jeff Hoeper with the Arkansas Natural Sky Association presents a program all about Saturn. Learn a little history, a little mythology, and a lot of science.

Star Party R

Saturday, Nov. 22, 5:15pm

Meet in the parking lot for a guided stargazing session with Jeff Hoeper. Use telescopes to view Saturn, planets, and stars—weather permitting.

American Red Cross Blood Drive R

Monday, Nov. 24, 9:30am-1:30pm

Reservations are encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome. Receive \$25 in fine forgiveness when you donate blood!

Shakespeare VS Taylor Swift

Saturday, Dec. 13, 1:00pm R

Think you can tell Shakespeare from Taylor Swift? Make friendship bracelets, snack on treats, and see if you're a true Swiftie, a Shakespeare scholar, or both!

Tech Time

Get hands on with technology!

3D Pet Ornament

Drop in to Studio 300 and print a simple ornament for your cat or dog.

Tuesday, Dec. 16, 10:30am-Noon

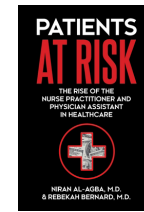
Tuesday, Dec. 16, 3:30-6:30pm

Book Clubs

(Books Available at Circulation Desk)

Issues & Viewpoints Reading List and Dates:

Every 1st Wednesday, 1:30pm



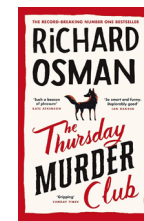
***Patients at Risk*
by Niran Al-Agba &
Rebekah Bernard
Nov. 5, 1:30pm**

All Booked Reading List and Dates:

Attend via Zoom or In Person!

Link: www.BaxLib.org/Events

Every 3rd Tuesday, 6:00pm



***The Thursday Murder Club*
by Richard Osman
Nov. 18, 6:00pm**

Book Clubs will not meet in December.

Friends of the Library

Annual Christmas Party

Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1:30pm

We will have a gift exchange: if you would like to participate, please bring a wrapped gift of \$10 or less to exchange. Open to the public. Refreshments served!



Pet Portrait Raffle

Oct. 3- Nov. 26, 3:00pm

Purchase tickets for a chance to win a custom 15"x20" watercolor pet portrait by artist Carole T. Jones. Tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$20 at the Circulation Desk.

Did you know your library offers
free online tutoring
with Brainfuse?

R Online Registration Required.



BaxLib.org/Resource-Library



Early Literacy

(Birth-PK)

Story Times

Sponsor: Farmers & Merchants Bank

Babies & Books (0-18 mos.)

Mondays, 9:30am

Toddler Time (18 mos.-3 yrs.)

Tuesdays, 10:30am

Preschool Story Time (3-5 yr.)

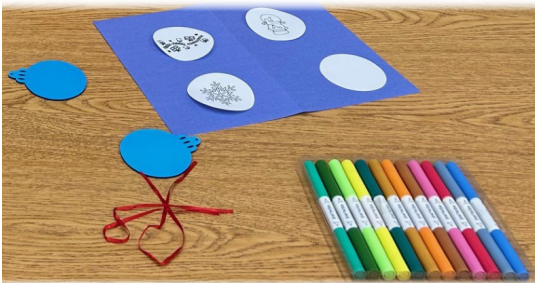
Wednesdays, 10:30am

Applesauce Christmas Ornaments

Wednesday, Nov. 5, 10:30am

DIY Sublimation Ornaments R

Wednesday, Dec. 10, 12:30-2:00pm



Children

(Grades K-3)

Sew Simple R

Learn sewing basics.

Small Stuffed Animal

Thursday, Nov. 13, 4:30-6:00pm

Arts 'R Us R

Explore creativity and make unique projects. *For grades 2-3.*

Painting Feather Bookmarks

Tuesday, Nov. 18, 4:30-5:30pm

Christmas Tree Mosaic

Tuesday, Dec. 16, 4:30-5:30pm

Applesauce Ornaments R

Tuesday, Nov. 4, 4:00-5:00pm

Make your own applesauce ornament.

Card Making R

Tuesday, Dec. 2, 4:30-5:30pm

Make a Christmas-themed card.



Tween

(Grades 4-6)

Sew Simple R

Learn sewing basics.

Ear Warmer

Thursday, Nov. 6, 4:30-6:00pm

Tween Library Council

Talk books, share ideas, and have fun!

Visit the Children's Desk to apply.

Monday, Nov. 10, 4:00-5:00pm

Monday, Dec. 8, 4:00-5:00pm

Picturing History R

Explore moments and figures in history.

Norman Rockwell

Thursday, Nov. 13, 4:30-5:30pm

Gingerbread for Liberty

Thursday, Dec. 11, 4:30-5:30pm

Arts 'R Us R

A fun arts and crafts class to explore creativity and make unique projects.

Painting Feather Bookmarks

Tuesday, Nov. 18, 4:30-5:30pm

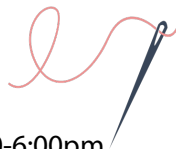
Christmas Tree Mosaic

Tuesday, Dec. 16, 4:30-5:30pm

DIY Vinyl Ornament R

Wednesday, Dec. 3, 3:30-5:00pm

DIY your own vinyl Christmas ornament.



Teen

(Grades 7-12)

Journaling with 4-H Agent Amanda Rychtarik R

Focus on mindfulness while learning the concept of journaling.

Agency

Wednesday, Nov. 5, 4:00-4:30pm

Distinctiveness

Wednesday, Nov. 12, 4:00-4:30pm

Review & Reflection

Wednesday, Nov. 19, 4:00-4:30pm

Sew Simple R

Learn sewing basics.

Ear Warmer

Thursday, Nov. 6, 4:30-6:00pm



Teen

(Grades 7-12)

Teen Library Council

Talk books, share ideas, and have fun!

Visit the Teen Desk to apply.

Thursday, Nov. 20, 4:00-6:00pm

Thursday, Dec. 18, 4:00-6:00pm

Friday After Hours R

Enjoy pizza and activities!

New York Noir Mystery Night

Friday, Nov. 21, 6:00-9:30pm

Breakfast for Dinner & Board Games

Friday, Dec. 19, 6:00-9:30pm

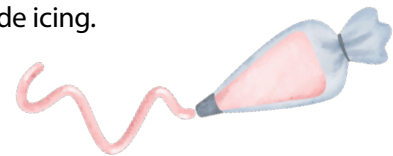
DIY Vinyl Ornament R

Wednesday, Dec. 3, 3:30-5:00pm

Teen Eats: Mini Cakes R

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 4:00-6:00pm

Learn how to make mini cakes and homemade icing.



All Grades

(Grades K-12)

Homeschool Advantage

Homeschool students K-12 can join Library staff for fun and educational classes.

All materials provided.

Ancient Civilizations

Friday, Nov. 7, 1:00-2:30pm

Numbers in Art

Friday, Dec. 5, 1:00-2:30pm

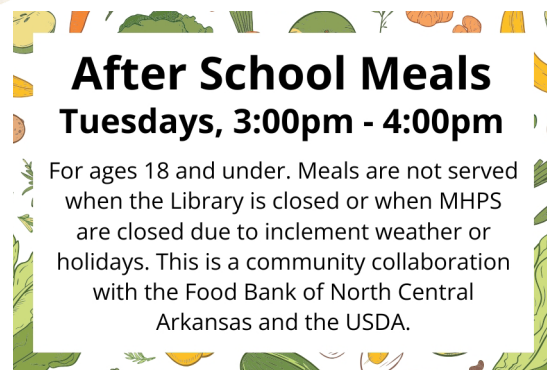
LEGO Club

In Honor Of: Bob Bodenhamer

All LEGOs provided—please don't bring your own. **Two time slots now available; choose one to attend.**

Monday, Nov. 17, 4:15-5:15pm

Monday, Dec. 15, 4:15-5:15pm



After School Meals

Tuesdays, 3:00pm - 4:00pm

For ages 18 and under. Meals are not served when the Library is closed or when MHPS are closed due to inclement weather or holidays. This is a community collaboration with the Food Bank of North Central Arkansas and the USDA.

Foundation



*Wrap It Up
for the
Library*

Wrap It Up for the Library!

This holiday season, give a special year-end gift to the Library before December 31st to double your impact. Thanks to our generous matching gift sponsors, every dollar given will be matched, multiplying the difference you make.

Your donation helps children build early literacy skills, supports families with access to resources, and strengthens lifelong learning opportunities for all ages.

To give online or view a list of sponsors, visit www.BaxLib.org/WIU, or mail your check to the Library Foundation, 300 Library Hill, Mountain Home, AR.

Share the Spirit with a Wrap It Up Ribbon

This December, every donation to the Library Foundation will be recognized with a red ribbon displayed at the Circulation Desk. Each ribbon will feature the donor's name or the name of the person they would like to honor, creating a visible reminder of our community's generosity throughout the holiday season.




Wrapped It Up for the Library!

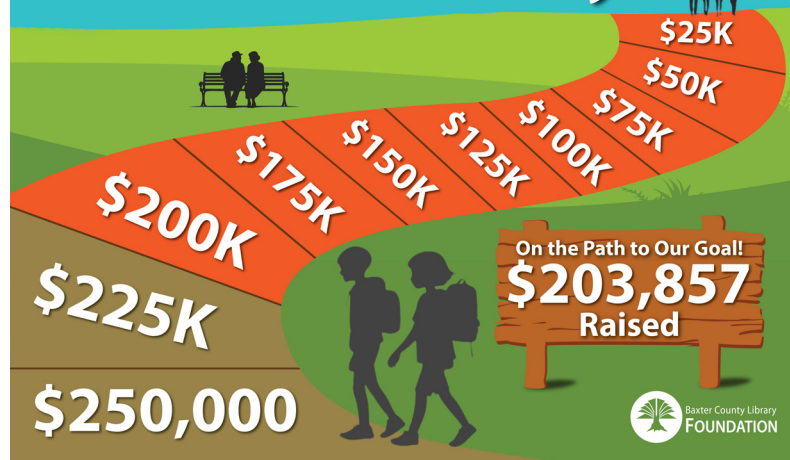
Just like the familiar ribbons you see in local stores for charitable causes, these Library ribbons are a simple way to show your support while inspiring others to give. Make your gift today, and let your ribbon shine bright all month!

Contact the Foundation Today!

 www.BaxLib.org/Support  foundation@baxlib.org

 870-580-0705

Paving the Way for Library Hill Trail Donate Today!



Over \$200,000 raised so far—thanks to you!

Every dollar brings us closer to building the Library Hill Trail and creating a more connected, active, and literacy-friendly community.

Leave your footprint today! Visit www.BaxLib.org/Library-Hill-Trail for more information or to donate online.

Friends of the Library



USED BOOK SALE November 20 - 22

Thursday, Nov. 20, 9:00am - 5:00pm

Friday, Nov. 21, 9:00am - 5:00pm

Saturday, Nov. 22, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Proceeds from the Friends of the Library book sales benefit Library programs and services.



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Library Hours:

Mon. 9:00am - 6:30pm

Tue. 9:00am - 8:00pm

Wed. - Fri. 9:00am - 6:30pm

Sat. 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sun. Closed

Library Closings:

Veterans Day: Nov. 11

Thanksgiving: Nov. 27-28

Closing Early 5PM: Dec. 4

Late Open Noon: Dec. 12

Christmas: Dec. 24-25

Closing Early 5PM: Dec. 31

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