

## LIBRARY CLOSED

Our building will be closed **Thursday, May 10th** for staff development, but you can enjoy our digital offerings anytime! Download audiobooks and ebooks, read the New York Times, and watch movies from our collection by visiting [lplks.org](http://lplks.org). We'll also be closed **Sunday, May 27th** and **Monday, May 28th** for Memorial Day.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Summer Reading Kickoff

*All Ages*

SAT | Jun 2 | All Day

Library Auditorium and Lawn

We're spending the day celebrating all things Unplugged! We'll start with two sessions of BLOCK Fest for ages 8 months to 8 years at 9:30 AM and 11 AM, have board games and musical crafts from 1-4, and end our day with dinner and a movie watching *Moana* on the lawn with Downtown Lawrence Inc.! Food sales and entertainment begin at 7:30 and we'll watch the movie at 9.

### Free Lunch: Fuel Up 4 Summer!

*Ages 1-18*

MON-FRI | Jun 4-Aug 3 (no lunch on 7/4)  
12-1 PM | Library Lawn

Through the Lawrence Summer Food Program, kids ages 1-18 can enjoy a FREE lunch on the Library Lawn. Adults won't be left out! They can also eat a healthy meal for \$3.45. No tickets or sign ups required. Just show up at noon Monday-Friday. This program is sponsored by Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence, City of Lawrence Parks & Recreation, K-State Research & Extension-Douglas County, Lawrence Public Schools Food Service Program, Just Food, Lawrence Public Library, Lawrence DG CO Health Dept., Lawrence Housing Authority, Douglas County, and LiveWell Lawrence.

## ALL AGES

### Family Yoga @ Your Library

SUN | May 20 | 1-2 PM | Auditorium

Bring your family to stretch, relieve stress, laugh, and play with yoga instructor Sarah. All ages, skill levels—bring a mat!

## KIDS

*Storytimes in the Readers' Theater*

### Books & Babies

*(no storytime 5/1-5/19)*

*Birth to 23 months & their families*

TUE | 6-6:30 PM

WED | 9:30-10 & 10:30-11 AM

Bounce, read, sing, and play together!

### Toddler Storytime

*(no storytime 5/1-5/19 & 5/28)*

*2-yr-olds & their families*

MON | 10:30-11 AM

WED | 6-6:30 PM

THU | 9:30-10 & 10:30-11 AM

Stories, songs and Morris the Monkey!

### Library Storytime

*(no storytime 5/1-5/19)*

*Ages 3+ with their families*

TUE, FRI | 10:30-11:15 AM

THU | 7-7:45 PM

Storytimes and crafts for children and their families.

### Sing & Rhyme Storytime

*(no storytime 5/14-5/28)*

*All Ages*

MON | 6:30-7 PM

Explore movement, play, and the joy of active music-making with Singing Sarah, board-certified music therapist.

### Sunday Storytime

*All ages*

SUN | May 20 | 3:30-4 PM

Join Matt as he sings songs, makes crafts, and tells stories carefully chosen to excite young minds.

### Cuentacuentos/Spanish Storytime

*All ages*

SAT | May 5 | 4-4:30 PM

Cuentos, canciones, actividades y café. ¡¿Qué esperas?! Ven y acompáñanos en una divertida tarde en español. Todas las edades son bienvenidas. Stories, songs, activities and coffee. What are you waiting for? Come with your kids and join us in a fun afternoon in Spanish!

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Coding Club

*Ages 7-11*

WED | May 2 | 4-5 PM | Readers' Theater

Join us for a club about the awesome world of coding! Space is limited. Register online.

### How-to: Book Clubs for Kids

*Ages 7-11 and grown-ups*

SAT | May 5 | 2-3 PM | Readers' Theater

Kids and caregivers! Are you interested in starting a book club for kids? Find out how to start a book club and hear about our collection of book club kits for kids.

### Homeschool Hangout: Lego Edition

*Ages 5-11*

TUE | May 8 | 2-3 PM | Readers' Theater

Build with bricks, connect with families, and chat with librarians about future programs for homeschooled students.

## TEENS

### Summer VolunTeens

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Looking for a place to volunteer this summer: help out at the library! Applications due May 9. Visit our website or stop by the Teen Zone to apply.

### Teen Zone Café

*(No Cafe 5/25)*

FRI | 4-5:30 PM | Teen Zone

Chill out and relax with your friends over a snack and tasty beverage.

### Teen Zone Expanded

*(No Teen Zone 5/30)*

WED | 2-5 PM | Auditorium

Head to the library on early release day for gaming, movies, and crafts.

5/2 | Star Wars Celebration

5/9 | Avengers Crafts

5/16 | Fines Read-Off

5/23 | Ani-MAY

### Teens-Only After Hours Movie

FRI | May 4 | 7-9 PM | Auditorium

Watch a just-for-teens movie after the library closes. Vote in the Teen Zone for the movie you'd most like to see.

## Teen Bus Pass Giveaway

SAT | May 5 | 9 AM | Teen Zone

We'll be giving away summer bus passes to the first 100 teens entering grades 6-12 who come into the Teen Zone. They go quick, so get here early!

### Teen Zone Homeschool Hours

MON | May 14 | 12:30-2:30 PM

Teen Zone

Hang out, play games, and create art!

Homeschooled students ages 11-18 and their adults are invited to come to the Teen Zone for special hours.

### Message In The Margins Book Club

THU | May 3 | Lunch | LHS

TUE | May 8 | Lunch | FSHS

Join the club that encourages writing in the margins, underlining and leaving notes. Books available at high school visits and every day during Teen Zone hours.

### Super Smash Bros. Tournament

SAT | May 19 | 1-3 PM | Readers' Theater

Compete against your fellow gamers in our monthly Super Smash Bros. tournament on the WiiU.

## ADULTS

### Local Authors Outside:

#### Kelly Kindscher

SUN | May 6 | 1-2:30 PM

N. 2nd St. & Locust St., Lawrence, KS

Meet local authors as they share connections of their work to outside spaces—enhancing our connections to nature and sense of place. Be sure to dress for the weather! We'll carpool via the parking lot north of the river bridge on the east side. Visit the Rockefeller Prairie (KU Biological Reserve) with Kelly Kindscher, author of *Medicinal Wild Plants of the Prairie: An Ethnobotanical Guide*. We will cancel if there is extreme weather, but mild rain will not keep us down!

### Gardening for Native Bees

TUE | May 8 | 7-8:30 PM | Auditorium

Ecologist Courtney Masterson will share tips on providing food and habitat for bees, with a focus on native pollinators and their relationships with Kansas plants.

## Genealogy & Local History Drop-In

WED | May 16 | 4-5 PM | Osma Room

Stop by with your questions and learn about library resources for exploring community history and researching your family tree.

### Power of Plants

THU | May 17 | 7-8 PM | Auditorium

Learn the basics of a healthy vegan or vegetarian diet from the Nutritional Health Coach at Natural Grocers. There will be food to try!

## BOOK CLUBS

### YA for Grownups

THU | May 3 | 7-8:30 PM | Mtg Rm A

Love YA or just genre-curious? We're discussing *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas.

### Social Justice Book Club

SUN | May 6 | 4-5 PM | Mtg Rm A

This book club gets us thinking and talking about inequality and injustice in the United States. We're reading *Evicted* by Matthew Desmond  
RSVP: [pkenn@lplks.org](mailto:pkenn@lplks.org)

### Speculative Fiction Book Club

TUE | May 8 | 7-8:30 PM | Mtg Rm B

Like world-building fantasy? Eerie dystopias? Far-out sci fi? This club is for you! We're reading *Uprooted* by Naomi Novik.

### 2nd Thursday Book Club

THU | May 10 | 7-8:30 PM | The Oread

1200 Oread Ave, Lawrence  
Discuss *Wonder* by RJ Palacio together with drinks and appetizers! Free valet for library book club members.

### 3rd Thursday Book Club

THU | May 17 | 7-8:30 PM | The Oread

1200 Oread Ave, Lawrence  
Discuss *The New Jim Crow* by Michelle Alexander together with drinks and appetizers! Free valet for library book club members.

## Mystery Book Club: Gay Characters (LGBTQ)

SUN | May 20 | 4-5:30 PM | Mtg Rm A

Learn about diverse mysteries featuring lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer characters! Reserve your spot and choose a book from our list of recommendations.  
RSVP: [sbraunlich@lplks.org](mailto:sbraunlich@lplks.org)

### Lit Lounge

THU | May 24 | 7-8:30 PM

Decade Coffee

920 Delaware St., Lawrence

If you like to get lit—erary, this informal club is for you. Meet to chat about anything you've read lately and walk away with dozens of suggestions (and some free books)! RSVP with Meredith: [mwiggins@lplks.org](mailto:mwiggins@lplks.org)

### Last Wednesday Book Club

WED | May 30 | 7-8:30 PM | Mtg Rm B

If you have read *Akata Witch* by Nnedi Okorafor, join us for a book discussion!

## HEALTH SPOT EVENTS

### CHAMPSS Orientation

MON | May 7 | 2-3:30 PM | Auditorium

Nutrition program for people ages 60+. For more information call Beth Kinnan at [785-235-1367](tel:785-235-1367).

### Yoga @ Your Library

WED | May 9 | 5:45-6:45 PM | Auditorium

Sarah will help you learn your Adho Mukha Svanasanas from your Vrksasanas. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Just bring a mat and a willingness to learn!

### Community Resource Clinic

FRI | May 18 | 11 AM-2 PM | Mtg Rm B

Need help finding a job, or signing up for food or housing assistance? AmeriCorps members will be available to assist you. Feel free to drop by any time during the clinic and meet with as many programs as you would like.

## TECH PROGRAMS

### Tech Drop-In

TUE | 5-6 PM | Mtg Rm B

Bring your gadgets and questions for help from our resident techies. Walk-in format on a first-come, first-served basis.

## One-on-One Technology Assistance

By Appointment

Meet with library IT staff for an hour of personal one-on-one help with your tech needs. We can help with questions about software and gadgets as well as common tasks like downloading ebooks, using your smartphone, or setting up an email account. To schedule an appointment, visit: [www.lplks.org/one-on-one](http://www.lplks.org/one-on-one)

## Elegant Knock: A Walk Through Hip Hop Production Hosted by: Approach

FRI | May 4 | 5-6:30 PM | S+V Studio

Take a journey through classic hip hop production as acclaimed artist Approach discusses the diverse inspirations and techniques employed on his latest release "An Elegant Knock."

### Modular Synthesis 101

FRI | May 11 | 5-6 PM

SOUND + VISION Studio

Did you know that LPL is the only library in the country sporting its own custom modular analog synth? Learn how to get up and running with oscillators, envelopes, and amplifiers in this intro to modular synthesis.

### Studio In-Depth: Studio One

MON | May 14 | 5:30-6:30 PM

SOUND + VISION Studio

There are lots of digital audio workstation options out there. Come see why Presonus Studio One is a S+V favorite. Whether you're a regular Studio One user or a newbie, there will be something for everyone as we show how to unlock the potential of this powerful tool.

### Web Design Basics: CSS 101

MON | May 14 | 7-8 PM | Mtg Rm B

MON | May 21 | 7-8 PM | Mtg Rm C

CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) controls the look and feel of a website. Learn the basics in this 2-part class. RSVP required: [mfisheriaacs@lplks.org](mailto:mfisheriaacs@lplks.org)

### AUMI Jam

TUE | May 22 | 4:30-6 | S+V Studio

Adaptive Use Musical Instruments software (AUMI) software interface enables people who have very limited controlled (voluntary) movement to independently engage in music making.



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| SUN   | MON   | TUE  | WED  | THU   | FRI   | SAT  |
|---|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| <h1>May</h1>                                    |   | <b>1</b><br>Tech Drop-In   5 PM  | <b>2</b><br>Teen Zone Expanded<br>2 PM<br>Coding Camp   4 PM   | <b>3</b><br>YA for Grownups   7 PM  | <b>4</b><br>Teen Zone Café   4 PM<br>S+V Basics   5 PM<br>Teens-only Movie   7 PM   | <b>5</b><br><b>Teen Fine Read-Off   9 AM</b><br>Teen Bus Pass Giveaway<br>9 AM<br>How-to: Book Clubs for<br>Kids   2 PM<br>Cuentacuentos / Spanish<br>Storytime   4 PM |
|   |   | <b>6</b><br>Local Authors Outside<br>1 PM<br>Social Justice Book Club<br>4 PM              | <b>7</b><br>CHAMPSS   2 PM<br>Sing & Rhyme Storytime<br>6:30 PM  | <b>8</b><br>Homeschool Hangout<br>2 PM<br>Tech Drop-In   5 PM<br>Gardening for Bees   7 PM<br>Speculative Fiction Book<br>Club   7 PM       | <b>9</b><br>Teen Zone Expanded<br>2 PM<br>Yoga   5:45 PM  | <b>10</b><br><b>CLOSED FOR<br/>STAFF DAY</b><br><br>2nd Thursday Book Club<br>at the Oread   7 PM  |
| <b>13</b>                                       | <b>14</b><br>Teen Zone Homeschool<br>Hours   12:30 PM<br>Studio One   5:30 PM<br>CSS 101   7 PM | <b>15</b><br>Tech Drop-In   5 PM   | <b>16</b><br>Teen Zone Expanded<br>2 PM<br><b>Teen Fine Read-Off   2 PM</b><br>Genealogy/Local History<br>Drop-In   4 PM | <b>17</b><br>Power of Plants   7 PM<br>3rd Thursday Book Club<br>7 PM   | <b>18</b><br>Community Resource Clinic<br>11 AM<br>Teen Zone Café   4 PM  | <b>19</b><br><b>Teen Fine Read-Off   9 AM</b><br>Super Smash Bros<br>Tournament   1 PM<br><b>Doc Discussions: <i>Prairie<br/>Women</i>   3:30 PM</b>                   |
| <b>20</b>                                       | <b>21</b><br>Family Yoga   1 PM<br>Sunday Storytime   3:30 PM<br>Mystery Book Club   4 PM       | <b>22</b><br>Toddler Storytime<br>10:30 AM<br>CSS 101   7 PM                               | <b>23</b><br>Library Storytime<br>10:30 AM<br>AUMI Jam   4:30 PM<br>Tech Drop-In   5 PM<br>Books & Babies   6 PM         | <b>24</b><br><b>SUMMER READING<br/>STARTS</b><br>Books & Babies<br>9:30, 10:30 AM<br>Teen Zone Expanded<br>2 PM<br>Toddler Storytime   6 PM | <b>25</b><br>Toddler Storytime<br>9:30, 10:30 AM<br><b>J. Drew Lanham   7 PM</b><br>Library Storytime   7 PM<br>Lit Lounge   7 PM | <b>26</b><br>Library Storytime<br>10:30 AM<br><b>Birding with J. Drew<br/>Lanham   8 AM</b>  |
| <b>27</b><br><b>CLOSED FOR<br/>MEMORIAL DAY</b> | <b>28</b><br><b>CLOSED FOR<br/>MEMORIAL DAY</b>   | <b>29</b><br>Library Storytime<br>10:30 AM<br>Tech Drop-In   5 PM<br>Books & Babies   6 PM | <b>30</b><br>Books & Babies<br>9:30, 10:30 AM<br>Toddler Storytime   6 PM<br>Last Wednesday Book Club<br>7 PM            | <b>31</b><br>Toddler Storytime<br>9:30, 10:30 AM<br>Library Storytime   7 PM  |   |  |



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**MON-THU | 9-9**

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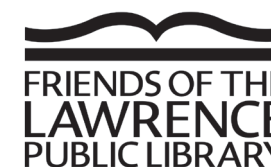
**SUN | 12-6**

Library events are free, casual, and open to the public.

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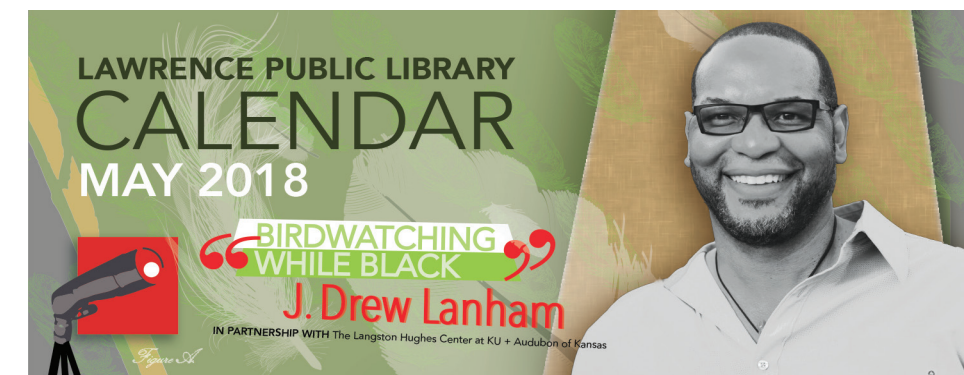
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**TEEN FINES READ-OFF**  
**SAT | 9-11 AM | Teen Zone**  
**WED | May 16 | 2-5 PM**  
**Auditorium**

Are fines holding you back from enjoying all your library has to offer? Read off your fines and have some snacks! For every 15 minutes you read, you'll get \$2.50 off! (Minimum of 30 minutes, teens only.)

**DOC DISCUSSIONS:**  
**PRAIRIE WOMEN-  
ENGAGING WOMEN OF  
THE FLINT HILLS**  
**SAT | May 19 | Auditorium**  
**Screening: 3:30-5 PM**  
**Discussion with producers:  
5-6 PM**

Dave Kendall, former host of *Sunflower Journeys*, features women engaged in the preservation and promotion of the Kansas Flint Hills in his latest documentary. These amazing women reflect on the experiences of their predecessors, and how they keep the pioneer tradition alive in the Sunflower State. A discussion with Kendall and associate producer Laura Mead will follow the screening. Then join us on the Library Lawn for bluegrass and beer from Free State Brewery. In partnership with Lawrence Magazine and Free State Brewery.

**SUMMER READING:  
LIBRARIES UNPLUGGED!**  
**WED | May 23 | All Day**

Start the summer right and swing by the library on May 23 to pick up our guide to summer and your reading log at any library desk. We're celebrating all the ways you can unplug with the library with relaxation, tech-free activities, and music.

**DR. J. DREW LANHAM:  
THE BLACK BIRDER**  
**THU | May 24 | 7-8:30 PM**  
**Liberty Hall**  
**644 Massachusetts St,  
Lawrence**  
**Doors open at 6 PM**

Hear Dr. J. Drew Lanham talk of his passion for nature, birding, and conservation. Lanham eloquently connects birds, race and conservation ethics in his books, *The Home Place: Memoirs of a Colored Man's Love Affair with Nature*, and *Sparrow Envy*, a book of poetry. The *Home Place* was named a 2017 Nature Book of Uncommon Merit and was the 2018 winner of the Southern Environmental Law Center's Reed Environmental Writing Award. Lawrence Public Library is partnering with the Langston Hughes Center of KU as part of our ongoing series, *Diverse Dialogues*.

Additional partners include National Endowment for the Humanities, Lawrence Public Library Foundation, Friends of the Lawrence Public Library, NAACP Lawrence Kansas Branch, Kansas Native Plant Society, Audubon of Kansas, Jayhawk Audubon Society, Topeka Audubon Society, Kansas Association for Conservation & Environmental Education, Baker Wetlands and Raven Book Store. A book signing will follow Dr. Lanham's talk and copies of *The Home Place* will be available to buy. Shirley's got info: [sbraunlich@lplks.org](mailto:sbraunlich@lplks.org)

**BIRDING WITH J. DREW  
LANHAM**  
**FRI | May 25 | 8-10 AM**  
**Baker Wetlands**  
**1365 North 1250 Road,  
Lawrence**

Dr. Lanham will co-lead a tour with Dr. Roger Boyd. J. Drew Lanham is an Alumni Distinguished Professor and Alumni Master Teacher at Clemson University. Roger Boyd is Senior Scientist of Baker Wetlands & Professor Emeritus of Biology at Baker University.