

# March

# **Adult Events at the Downtown Library**

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#### **Adult RPG Club**

### March 2 | 3-5 PM | Meeting Room 2B

Join us to traverse magical worlds in a fantastical ongoing adventure! Anyone can play and all skill levels are welcome. Age 18 and up. **Please register at** *mcpl.info/calendar*.

# Library Hangout

### March 6 | 5:30-7 PM | Meeting Room 2C

Come to the Downtown Library and enjoy snacks, crosswords, a warm cup of tea, and other low key ways to wind down and relax. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

# Snow Trails & Doggie Tails: An Evening with Iditarod Musher Matt Paveglio

#### March 4 | 6–7 PM | Auditorium

Come for an evening full of stories from the Iditarod Trail! 2022 Iditarod Finisher Matt Paveglio will be chatting with us all the way from Alaska where he will recount his experience competing in the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race and how he started mushing. All ages.

# **Books Plus Virtual: Terrace Story**

### March 5 | 5-6 PM | Virtual

Books Plus Virtual meets via Zoom on the first Tuesday of the month. This month's selection is *Terrace Story* by Hilary Leichter. Age 18 and up. **Please register at** mcpl.info/calendar if you have not previously been emailed the Zoom link..

### **VITAL Volunteer Information Session**

### March 5 | 5:30-7 PM | Meeting Room 2A

This information session includes an overview of adult literacy and English language learning, opportunities for training, a tour of VITAL resources, and the expectations of volunteers, learners, and staff involved. Age 18 and up. Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.

# **Documentary Screening: Purely Alaskan**

### March 5 | 6–8 PM | Auditorium

Many of you may know about the inspiration behind the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race and recognize names like Balto or Togo, but do you know how the race itself came to be? Learn about the early days of the Iditarod and how it has evolved over the years with the documentary, *Purely Alaskan*. All ages are welcome, but this documentary is aimed toward adults and is not rated.

### Craft Club for Adults: Eclipse Watercolors March 6 | 7-8 PM | Meeting Room 2B

It's a total (solar) eclipse of the art! Join us this month to play with watercolors and tools available to give your watercolor art a lunar theme in preparation for the total solar eclipse on April 8. Age 16 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar**.

#### Fiber Arts Club

### March 11 | 6-7:30 PM | Meeting Room 2C

Do you enjoy fiber arts? Join us for this low-stress program; we'll hang out, drink tea, and work on various projects. Each program will have a starter kit for a different fiber art craft. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

# Short Attention Span Book Club: Foster

# March 13 | 6:30-8 PM | Meeting Room 2A

If you have the best of intentions about book clubs, but don't always get the book read, this is for you! If you want to try a new genre without committing to a full book, this is also for you. We'll be diving into short stories and novellas spanning all genres. This month's selection is *Foster* by Claire Keegan. Age 18 and up. **Please register at** mcpl.info/calendar.

### **Spring Seed Swap**

### March 16 | 11 AM-1 PM | Meeting Room 2B/C

Bring your vegetable and flower seeds to exchange with other community members and help the gardens of Monroe County grow! The Downtown Library and Mother Hubbard's Cupboard will also have free seeds available. We ask that you please package your seeds accordingly; we will have tools and supplies on-hand. All ages. This program is in partnership with Mother Hubbard's Cupboard.

#### Craft & Sip: Eclipse Mocktails & Crafts

### March 18 | 5-6:30 PM | Meeting Room 1B

Come celebrate the upcoming total solar eclipse with us! We can toast the moon with a full moon mocktail and watercolor lunar postcards. Age 18 and up. Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.

### MCPL Chopped Challenge

# Registration now open All MCPL Locations

Tap into your creative side in this cooking challenge! Select your preferred MCPL location to receive a take-home kit with three mystery ingredients and two cookbooks to borrow. Make a dish using all three ingredients (plus any others you want to use), then post a picture and description on social media by Tuesday, April 30. Make sure to tag @ MCPLIndiana and use the hashtag #MCPLChopped. The winner will win a gift card to a local restaurant!

Please note that we are unable to accommodate dietary restrictions, as all participants will receive the same ingredients. If you are unable to eat one of the ingredients, you are welcome to substitute something similar. Please also send a picture of your entry to <a href="mailto:mhutt@mcpl.info">mhutt@mcpl.info</a>. Age 18 and up. Please register at <a href="mailto:mcpl.info">mcpl.info</a>. Age 18 and up. Please register at <a href="mailto:mcpl.info">mcpl.info</a> (calendar).

# Caregiver University: Getting to Know Dementia (Part 1)

### March 21 | 10 AM-12 PM | Meeting Room 1B

This session is designed to help attendees develop a basic appreciation for what happens when a brain is changing due to some form of dementia, versus other factors, such as normal aging or a high-stress lifestyle. Age 18 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar**. This program is in partnership with Alzheimer's and Dementia Resource Service with Indiana University Health.

# Other Worlds Book Club: A Psalm for the Wild-Built

# March 21 | 5:30-6:30 PM | Meeting Room 1B

Explore distant and not-so-distant worlds with us in this science fiction and fantasy-themed book club. This month's selection is A Psalm for the Wild-Built by Becky Chambers. Age 18 and up. Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.

#### Show + Tell + Make

### March 21 | 6:30-7:30 PM | Meeting Room 2B

Love creating? Want to share what you create with others? This is your monthly chance to show off your artistic talents and spend time making something new. We'll provide the supplies, you provide the creativity. Age 18 and up. Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.

### Learn About the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse! March 23 | 11 AM-12 PM | Auditorium

The total solar eclipse is just around the corner on April 8! Join us as the IU Department of Astronomy provides us with all we need to know in order to enjoy the view. Q&A session to follow. All ages. This program is in partnership with the Indiana University Department of Astronomy.

#### **Novel Horizons: A Mixed Media Club**

### March 25 | 6-7 PM | Meeting Room 2C

Novel Horizons is not a traditional book club, and there are no mandatory readings. Instead, in this low-stress club, you will read, watch, play, or listen to media that follows a specific theme. This month's theme is utopia and dystopia. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

### **Books on Tap: Legends & Lattes**

# March 25 | 6:30–8 PM | Lennie's Brewpub It's the book club with a twist! Enjoy fantastic drinks, a comfortable atmosphere, and a great discussion on a variety of compelling books. This month, we'll be meeting at Lennie's Brewpub (514 E. Kirkwood Avenue, Bloomington). We'll be getting cozy with the #BookTok sensation Legends

& Lattes by Travis Baldree. Age 21 and up. Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.

#### **Making Felted Soap**

### March 27 | 6-7:30 PM | Meeting Room 2C

Explore, make, and exfoliate. In this program, we'll be making felted soap, a relaxing craft to help you take care of yourself this year. Age 18 and up; recommended for ages 18–32.

# Green Peeps Book Club: *The Vaster Wilds* March 28 | 6–8 PM | Meeting Room 1B

Join this book club to discuss nature-focused reads each month. You'll also learn how to become more ecologically-minded through activities and speakers designed to enhance our reading. This month, we'll be reading *The Vaster Wilds* by Lauren Groff. Age 18 and up. **Please register at** *mcpl.info/calendar*.

### Michale Koryta: Live at the Library!

### March 28 | 6:30-8:30 PM | Auditorium

Michael Koryta is a *New York Times* bestselling author whose work has been translated into more than 20 languages, adapted into major motion pictures, and won the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize. Age 16 and up.

### **Special Solar Eclipse Movie:**

**Star Wars: The Force Awakens** 

### March 29 | 3:45-6 PM | Auditorium

What better way to gear up for the total solar eclipse on April 8 than to watch the most epic of space stories! Poe Dameron, Rey, and BB-8 battle Kylo Ren and the First Order in the sequel to *The Return of the Jedi*. This film is rated PG-13.

# LIBRARY CLOSED (Spring Holiday) March 31

