



Children's Events at the Southwest Branch

January

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LIBRARY CLOSED (New Year's Day)
January 1



Preschool Storytime January 3, 10, and 17 **10:30–11:45 AM | Meeting Room B**

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Activities will be followed by a craft, so dress to mess! Ages 3–6.

Tiny to Two January 8 and 15 | 10–10:45 AM **Meeting Room A/B**

Families with babies and toddlers play, sing, read, and talk together. Ages birth–2.

Family Storytime January 13 | 10:30–11 AM **Children's Program Room**

The whole family is invited to storytime! Books, puppets, music, movement, crafts, and more will be used to encourage the development of early literacy skills. Ages birth–6.

Tween D&D January 13 | 2–3:30 PM **Children's Program Room**

New to *Dungeons & Dragons*? Already a seasoned adventurer? Drop in for a one-session *D&D* game at the Southwest Branch. We'll make characters and go on an adventure! Ages 9–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.**

LEGO® Club

January 14 | 2–3 PM | Meeting Room B

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Board Game Night

January 16 | 6–8 PM | Hopscotch Kitchen

It's game night! Join us to chat and play a fun selection of board games out in the community at Hopscotch Kitchen (235 W. Dodds Street, Bloomington). All ages. *This program is in partnership with Hopscotch Coffee and The Game Preserve.*

Tween Cupcake Wars

January 21 | 1–2:30 PM | Teaching Kitchen

Cupcake bakers to the front! Do you have what it takes to make the best cupcake? We're putting cupcake against cupcake in this taste and presentation-driven competition. All attendees must have a signed waiver; you can download the form and have a caregiver sign it prior to the program. Ages 9–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.**

Tween Craft Club

January 23 | 5–6 PM | Children's Program Room

Come hang out and try new hands-on DIY projects as you learn new crafting skills each month! Supplies will be provided. Ages 7–12.

Perogies with The Hub

January 25 | 5–6:30 PM | Teaching Kitchen

Join Mother Hubbard's Cupboard for a hands-on, family-friendly workshop where we'll make perogies, a dumpling prominent in Polish-American cuisine that's great fresh or tucked into the freezer for future meals. The Teaching Kitchen will be stocked with local ingredients sourced by People's Cooperative Market and funded by the USDA Local Food Purchasing Assistance Cooperative Agreement Grant. All attendees must sign a waiver; you can download and sign it prior to the program, or you can sign one of the copies we'll have on-site. Age 8 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.** *This program is in partnership with People's Cooperative Market.*

Preschool Books & Cooks

January 29 | 10–11:30 AM | Teaching Kitchen

In this program, we'll sing some songs, read a book about food, then make that featured food! All attendees must sign a waiver; you can download and sign it prior to the program, or you can sign one of the copies we'll have on-site. Ages 3–6. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.**



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Tween Reads Book Club: *Hoot* February 4

2–3:30 PM | Children's Program Room

Meet and get to know other kids through crafts and activities in this book club just for tweens! This month, we'll read and discuss *Hoot* by Carl Hiaasen. Ages 9–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar**, then beginning January 2, drop by the Southwest Branch Children's Desk to check out your copy (it must be returned to the same location after the program).

Tiny to Two February 5, 12, and 19

10–10:45 AM | Meeting Room A/B

Families with babies and toddlers play, sing, read, and talk together. Ages birth–2.

People's Abundant Kitchen: Hyperlocal Cooking Series

**February 6, 13, 20, and 27 | 5:30–6:30 PM
Teaching Kitchen**

Join People's Cooperative Market farmers, vendors, and neighbors to learn about how to incorporate local seasonal ingredients into delicious meals. This program will offer a hands-on demonstration of local recipes and will provide information about how to receive free local food resources. The Teaching Kitchen will be stocked with local ingredients sourced by People's Cooperative Market and funded by the USDA Local Food Purchasing Assistance Cooperative Agreement Grant. All attendees must sign a waiver; you can download and sign it prior to the program, or you can sign one of the copies we'll have on-site. Age 8 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar**. *This program is in partnership with People's Cooperative Market.*

Preschool Storytime February 7, 14, and 21

10:30–11:45 AM | Meeting Room B

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Activities will be followed by a craft, so dress to mess! Ages 3–6.

Family Storytime February 10 | 10:30–11 AM Children's Program Room

The whole family is invited to storytime! Books, puppets, music, movement, crafts, and more will be used to encourage the development of early literacy skills. Ages birth–6.

Tween D&D February 10 | 2–3:30 PM

Children's Program Room

New to *Dungeons & Dragons*? Already a seasoned adventurer? Drop in for a one-session D&D game at the Southwest Branch. We'll make characters and go on an adventure! Ages 9–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar**.

LEGO® Club

February 11 | 2–3 PM | Meeting Room B

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Board Game Night

February 20 | 6–8 PM | Hopscotch Kitchen

It's game night! Join us to chat and play a fun selection of board games out in the community at Hopscotch Kitchen (235 W. Dodds Street, Bloomington). All ages. *This program is in partnership with Hopscotch Coffee and The Game Preserve.*

Tween Craft Club February 27 | 5–6 PM

Children's Program Room

Come hang out and try new hands-on DIY projects as you learn new crafting skills each month! Supplies will be provided. Ages 7–12.

No-Knead Bread with The Hub

February 29 | 5–6:30 PM | Teaching Kitchen

Join Mother Hubbard's Cupboard for a hands-on, family-friendly workshop on this approachable and efficient method for homemade bread with a beautiful, crisp crust. The Teaching Kitchen will be stocked with local ingredients sourced by People's Cooperative Market and funded by the USDA Local Food Purchasing Assistance Cooperative Agreement Grant. All attendees must sign a waiver; you can download and sign it prior to the program, or you can sign one of the copies we'll have on-site. Age 8 and up. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar**. *This program is in partnership with People's Cooperative Market and Mother Hubbard's Cupboard.*