



Library Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-8pm | Friday 9am-5pm | Saturday 9am-3pm

RECENT HAPPENINGS!

It's a new year! We ended 2024 with some fun events!

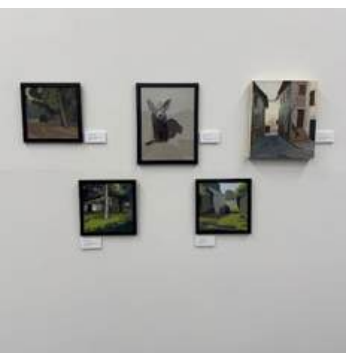
At the beginning of December, we had the Barnes & Noble Bookfair. Thank you to everyone who supported us. We hope to have the Bookfair again at the end of 2025.

On December 13th, a new art show opened. Local artist Jacob Seymore has a variety of artwork on display, from nature scenes to portraits. The art will be on display in the art gallery until January 17th.

Hometown Christmas was also last month. Hometown Christmas is a yearly Christmas tradition here in Andover, and we are happy to be a part of it! We saw lots of faces stop by the library for cookie decorating, soup, and more!

We hope everyone had a wonderful 2024 and we look forward to another wonderful year! Flip through our January newsletter to see what's happening this month at the library.

Hometown Christmas was a blast! Thank you to Purple Heart 4-H and District Bakery for helping with the cookies, and thank you to everyone who made Hometown Christmas possible!



Just a few art pieces currently on display in the Art Gallery.

January 1st-31st

BE A READING MACHINE

Winter Reading Challenge

Start 2025 out right by reading lots of books! Join the challenge and see if you can read the most. The most participating libraries will get prizes for the community!

Sign up today on **beanstack**

The graphic is a stylized illustration of a blue machine with various pipes and gears. At the top, a red banner says "January 1st-31st". The main body of the machine is a large blue rectangle with the text "BE A READING MACHINE" in white. Below that, a red banner says "Winter Reading Challenge". At the bottom, a yellow box contains the text "Start 2025 out right by reading lots of books! Join the challenge and see if you can read the most. The most participating libraries will get prizes for the community!". To the right of the machine is a QR code, and below it is the text "Sign up today on beanstack" with a blue heart icon.

ADULT EVENTS



1511 E Central Ave
Andover, KS 67002

BINGO

21 & up

Tuesday, Jan 7th 6PM

Join the Friends of the Library for BINGO! \$5 per card. 21& UP. There will be cash prizes. Space is limited. Must RSVP in advance. Email friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com to RSVP

BUNCO

21 & up

Wednesday, Jan 15th 6PM

\$5 Entree fee. 21+ BYOB & Snacks. Must RSVP. Email friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com to RSVP

American Mahjong

Every Wednesday

(Drop-in and play)

12:30PM-3:30PM

No sign-up required.

Evening Session

Jan 13th 6PM

Email aplfriendevent@gmail.com to sign-up

Lessons

Jan 14th, Jan 16th, Jan 21st, Jan 23rd

2PM-4PM

Sign up today! Class is limited to 8 participants. Registration is required. Sign up at aplfriendevent@gmail.com Cost is \$15. Official American Mahjong card provided.

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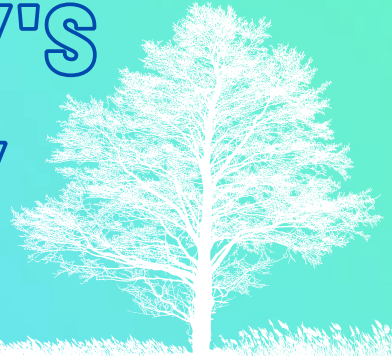


Ask the circulation desk for an application to join the Friends. Members get discounted events sponsored by Friends, late fee coupons, and early access to the Fall Book Sale.

Every 1st & 3rd
Tuesday

6:45 - 7:45 pm
conference room

ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY'S FAMILY HISTORY CIRCLE



Join our Genealogy Group!

Whether you're a beginner or an experienced genealogist, bring your laptop, tablet, or phone to dive into your family history! Volunteers will be available to assist.

2025 READING CHALLENGES

We have new reading challenges for the new year! You can pick up the challenges at the front desk or scan the QR code to get the PDFs. These challenges are just for fun, to get you to read new things and challenge yourself to read more.



CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Lego Club

Thursday, Jan 9th 5PM

Build your own Lego creations! Every month we have a new theme. We provide the Legos; you just need to bring your imagination. No registration required.

Comic Club

Tuesday, Jan 28th

4:30PM-5:30PM

Create and share your own comics! We provide templates and inspiration to get your creativity going. New members are always welcome and no registration required.

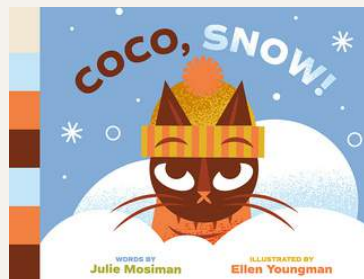
Special Storytime with Julie Mosiman

Tuesday, January 14

9:30 & 10:30 AM

In the Story Laboratory

Celebrate the magic of winter with a special Storytime featuring local author Julie Mosiman! Julie will read her delightful picture book, *Coco, Snow!*, the charming story of a cautious cat who learns to embrace the snowy season and have fun. A fun winter-themed craft and activities will follow the reading!



TWEEN BOOK CLUB

ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY
CONFERENCE ROOM

1511 E. CENTRAL AVE,
ANDOVER, KS 67002



DESIGNED FOR AGES
10 - 13 YEARS OLD

PLEASE SIGN UP AT
THE FRONT DESK.
LIMITED SPACE.



EVERY 3RD
THURSDAY

5 - 6PM

ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

WINTER STORYTIME

JANUARY 6TH THRU FEBRUARY 19TH
IN THE STORY LABORATORY

TWOS TIME

AGE: 2 YRS.

MONDAYS @ 10:30
TUESDAYS @ 9:30

PRESCHOOL

AGE: 3-5 YRS.

TUESDAYS @ 10:30
WEDNESDAYS @ 10:30

BABY & ME

AGE: 0-18 MOS.

WEDNESDAYS @ 9:30



CREATIVE EVENTS

Jacob Seymore's Solo Show: Small Works in Gouache and Oil In the Art Gallery

Explore the captivating works of local artist Jacob Seymore in his solo exhibition. From thought-provoking pieces to imaginative expressions, this show offers a glimpse into Seymore's creative world. The show will be up **December 13th - January 17th, 2025**

Stories & Songs Thursday, Jan 16th, 6:30-8 PM At the Andover Public Library Youth (5-17 years): 6:30-7 PM Adults (18+): 7-8 PM

Bring your favorite poems, stories, or bring an instrument to perform a song! This event is every 3rd Thursday of the month.

Samantha Gales: Colorful Clashings Opening Reception: January 2nd 5PM-7PM in the Friends Room

Explore the vibrant drawings and paintings of Wichita-based artist Samantha Gales. Through bold colors and patterns, her works reflect her heritage, personal stories, and a passion for upcycling inspired by her resourceful upbringing. This collection invites viewers to celebrate creativity through sustainability and self-expression. The art show will be on display on the Project Wall **January 3rd - February 20th.**

Marianne Evans-Lombe: A Heart Has Root Opening Reception: January 23rd 5PM-7PM (Art Performance at 5:30PM)

Experience the evocative artistry of Marianne Evans-Lombe in *A Heart Has Roots*, an exploration of grounding, connection, and resilience. Using natural materials and abstract forms, Marianne transforms personal trials—loss, grief, and renewal—into poignant works that blur the boundaries between permanence and ephemerality. Her art celebrates storytelling and memory, inviting viewers into a space of reflection and transformation. The art show will be on display **January 24th- February 28th.**

3-DAY WORKSHOP

Beautiful Brush Marks & Adventurous Textures

JANUARY 16 - 18

• Workshop Schedule

Day 1: THU, JAN. 16 | Value Studies

Day 2: FRI, JAN. 17 | Color mixing, mark making, and conserving paint

Day 3: SAT, JAN. 18 | Hard, soft, and lost edges

• Art Supplies Required: Check out

paintingclassesonline.com/workshop/beautiful-brush-strokes-adventurous-texture/

• Cost: \$100



For More Information:

Jessie Rasche at art@jessierasche.com or (605) 695-5815



JANUARY 2025

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|---|
| | | | <p>1</p> <p><i>Happy New Year</i></p> <p>CLOSED</p> | <p>2</p> <p>Samantha Gales: Colorful Glashings Art Opening @ 5PM-7PM</p> | <p>3</p> | <p>4</p> |
| NO STORYTIME THIS WEEK | | | | | | |
| <p>5</p> | <p>6</p> <p>Twos Time @10:30AM</p> | <p>7</p> <p>Twos Time @9:30AM</p> <p>Preschool @10:30AM</p> <p>Bingo @6PM (register in advance)</p> <p>Family History Circle @ 6:45 PM</p> | <p>8</p> <p>Baby & Me @9:30AM</p> <p>Preschool @10:30AM</p> <p>Mahjong @12:30-3:30pm</p> | <p>9</p> <p>Lego Club @5PM</p> | <p>10</p> | <p>11</p> |
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| <p>19</p> | <p>20</p> <p>Twos Time @10:30AM</p> | <p>21</p> <p>Twos Time @9:30AM</p> <p>Preschool @10:30AM</p> <p>Mahjong Lessons @2pm-4pm (register in advance)</p> <p>Family History Circle @ 6:45 PM</p> | <p>22</p> <p>Baby & Me @9:30AM</p> <p>Preschool @10:30AM</p> <p>Mahjong @12:30-3:30pm</p> | <p>23</p> <p>Mahjong Lessons @2pm-4pm (register in advance)</p> <p>Marianne Evans-Lambe: A Heart Has Root Art Opening @ 5PM-7P M • Art performance @5:30PM</p> | <p>24</p> | <p>25</p> |
| <p>26</p> | <p>27</p> <p>Twos Time @10:30AM</p> | <p>28</p> <p>Twos Time @9:30AM</p> <p>Preschool @10:30AM</p> <p>Comic Club @4:30PM</p> | <p>29</p> <p>Baby & Me @9:30AM</p> <p>Preschool @10:30AM</p> <p>Mahjong @12:30-3:30pm</p> | <p>30</p> | <p>31</p> | |

COLOR KEY: Young Children 0-5 Older Children 5+ Tweens 11+ Teens and Adults All Ages Adult 18+