

MAY 2025



ANDOVER NEWS

PUBLIC LIBRARY

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

RECENT HAPPENINGS!

As part of HeritageFest, we're hosting an art show. Local artists submitted artwork for the show portraying what Andover Heritage means to them. Congratulations to the winners: P.K. Lippoldt, Mike Fallier, Kim Ownbey, Rylee Palacio, Isabella Roberts, Brooklyn Heideman. And don't miss HeritageFest on May 17th. Go to andoverks.gov/heritagefest to learn more.

The next time you walk into the library, you might notice something different! We currently have an art installation displayed throughout the library. This is done by artist Chiyoko Myose and reflects on the beauty of human encounters and the quiet moments that tie us together. Each knot symbolizes a treasured meeting, woven into a larger story of belonging and memory. This display will be up until June 12th

The city also hosted a fabulous egg hunt in the park last month, and afterwards they came to the library for crafts. We hope everyone had a wonderful Easter!

May is a big month at the library as we are getting summer reading started! Flip through this newsletter to see just a few of the events we have planned for May.

2025 SUMMER READING
COLOR OUR WORLD™
BEGINS MAY 30TH!
Start Preregistering
May 19th on
Beanstack

Scan the QR code to see a current list of events! We'll be updating this site throughout the month of May, so keep checking!

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ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY
FRIENDS
KANSAS STATE FAIR

ADULT EVENTS

First Friday

coffee and conversation

18 & up

Friday, May 2nd 9:30AM

Join the Friends of the Library to make your set of 4 coasters. Choose from our paper or bring your own for a more personalized touch.

E-mail friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com to reserve your spot.

BINGO

21 & up

Tuesday, May 13th 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, May 21st 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 Sessions

Monday, May 5th 6PM

Monday May 19th 6PM

Email aplfriendevent@gmail.com to sign-up

Bring \$2.00-3.00 in coins for evening play.

Wednesday afternoon mahjong still has no cost.

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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.



WALK ANDOVER

AT THE ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

MONDAYS @ 1PM

MARCH 31ST-MAY 19TH

The Andover Public Library is partnering with K-State Research and Extension to bring you a new program! Starting March 31st, we'll kick off the program by meeting up at the Andover Public Library and take a walk around Andover Central Park. On **March 31st** and **May 5th**, we'll have special educational sessions. This program is geared towards adults, but all ages are welcome to attend. There is no cost, and no registration required!

At the end of the program, on May 19th, we will have an end of program celebration!

K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Program information may be available in languages other than English. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, including alternative means for communication (e.g., Braille, large print, audio tape, and American Sign Language) may be requested by contacting the event contact Bonnie Brewer four weeks prior to the start of the event [February 26th] at (316) 321-9660 OR bjbrewer@ksu.edu. Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so. Language access services, such as interpretation or translation of vital information will be provided free of charge to limited English proficient individuals upon request. Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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Plant Swap

Thursday, May 8th

5:30PM-7PM
in the Art Gallery



Do you have extra garden plants or houseplants? Do you need more variety in your garden? Come to the Plant Swap and trade plants with other gardeners and plant lovers. Gardeners of all skill levels and ages are welcome to join!

Calla Edwards and Master Gardeners will lead the event.



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CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Lego Club

Thursday, May 8th

5PM-6PM

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.

Youth Writing Program

Saturday, May 10th

10AM-11AM

For Ages 10-17

Workshop participants will be given fun writing prompts, time to write, and feedback from their fellow youth writers and adult facilitators. Parents can stay at the library or drop their kids off. Presented by Kansas Authors Club

Tween Book Club

Thursday, May 15th

5PM-PM

May's Pick: Hooky by Míriam Bonastre Tur
Sign up at the front desk and email apltweenbookclub@gmail.com for any questions.

HeritageFest Storytime

Friday, May 16th

4:30PM-5:30PM

Join us for a Special Storytime with Little Beth on the Prairie reading "A Little Prairie House" and "Prairie Day". As part of HeritageFest, which starts Saturday, May 17th at The Heritage.

Comic Club

Tuesday, May 27th

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.

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Summer Reading Kickoff Event



Color Our World
The geography of
planet Earth

Date: Friday, May 30th

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: Amphitheatre

ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

SCHOLASTIC

BOOK FAIR

May 27th-31st

In the Art Gallery

Tuesday

9:30AM-7:30PM

Wednesday

9:30AM-7:30PM

Thursday

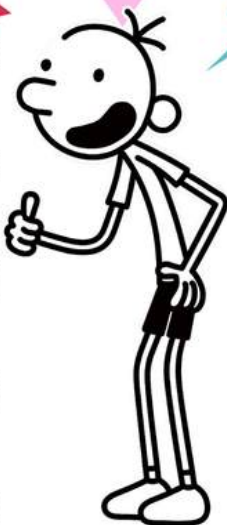
9:30AM-7:30PM

Friday

9:30AM-4:30PM

Saturday

9:30AM-2:30PM



CREATIVE EVENTS

Evan Yazzie Solo Show

Opening Reception: May 1st 5-7pm

Friends Room

Evan Yazzie's solo exhibition showcases a bold fusion of Indigenous identity, 2D art, and motion graphics. Through layered visuals and purposeful complexity, Yazzie challenges the conventions of art and design. His work seeks not just to break rules, but to transform them—blending tradition with rebellion to create a vivid expression of self. This exhibition invites viewers to explore a visual language that is uncompromising, expressive, and unapologetically original. The art will be on the Project Wall **May 1st – June 26th**.

Open Mic Night

Thursday, May 16th 7-8 PM

At the Andover Public Library

Ages 18 and Over

Bring poetry, music, jokes, or short stories to share with others! This event is every 3rd Thursday of the month.

Heritage Fest Art Show

in the Art Gallery

View the art entered into the 2025 Heritage Fest Art Show Contest! Artist from the area created works of art inspired by Andover's historic past and heritage. The art will be on display **April 24th-May 21st** And don't miss Andover's new event, Heritage Fest, Saturday, May 17, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. at The Heritage

Treasuring the Moment ~ A Thread X A Thread

Experience the power of connection through thread. In this evolving installation, Japanese-born artist Chiyoko Myose reflects on the beauty of human encounters and the quiet moments that tie us together. Each knot symbolizes a treasured meeting, woven into a larger story of belonging and memory. Come explore, pause, and reflect—you may see your own story in the threads. This display will be up from **April 17th-June 12th**

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Blue Bird Installation Workshop with Chiyoko Myose



Inspired by *The Blue Bird* by Maurice Maeterlinck and illustrated by Brian Wildsmith, this hands-on workshop invites participants to create a collaborative floating installation using origami, fiber, light, and imagination. Led by artist Chiyoko Myose, participants will fold origami birds, design feathers from fiber and found materials, and explore how light, shadow, and motion bring installation art to life. At the end of the session, you'll help install the work and walk through the dreamlike world you helped create.

- Ages 5 and up
- Limited to 18 participants
- Scan the QR code to register
- All materials provided—no experience necessary



Monday, May 19, 5:30-7pm, Art Gallery

PANEL DISCUSSION

Friday, May 16, 5 - 7 p.m.

Andover Public Library, Art Gallery

All aboard for a journey through time! Join us as local Andover historians share their memories and stories, taking you on a ride from the past to the present of Andover's rich history!

FEATURING LOCAL ANDOVER COMMUNITY MEMBERS:

**Caroline Hale, Wayne Duggan, Tim Johanson,
Cody Winkleman, and Reed Harrison**

Refreshments will be provided.

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**HERITAGE
FEST**

MAY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Evan Yazzie Solo Show Art Opening 5PM-7PM	2 First Friday @9:30 AM	3
4	5 Walk Andover @ 1PM Mahjong @6pm-8pm (register in advance)	6 Family History Circle @ 6:45 PM	7 Mahjong @12:30- 3:30pm	8 Plant Exchange @5:30PM Lego Club @5PM	9	10 Youth Writing Workshop 10AM- 11AM
11	12 Walk Andover @ 1PM	13 Bingo @6PM (register in advance)	14 Andover Central Orchestra Concert 5PM- 7:30PM Mahjong @12:30- 3:30pm	15 Open Mic Night 7-8PM Tween Book Club 5-6PM (talk to the front desk about registering)	16 Heritage Fest Storytime @10:30AM Heritage Fest Panel Discussion 5PM-7PM	17 Heritage Fest at The Heritage 11AM-4PM
18	19 Walk Andover @ 1PM Mahjong @6pm-8pm (register in advance) Blue Bird Installation Workshop 5:30-7PM Start preregistering for Summer Reading	20 Family History Circle @ 6:45 PM	21 BUNCO @6PM (register in advance) Mahjong @12:30- 3:30pm Last Day of Heritage Art Show	22	23	24
25	26 CLOSED for MEMORIAL DAY	27 Comic Club @4:30PM Scholastic Bookfair 9:30AM-7:30PM	28 Mahjong @12:30- 3:30pm Scholastic Bookfair 9:30AM-7:30PM	29 Scholastic Bookfair 9:30AM-7:30PM	30 Summer Reading Kickoff with Dino O'Dell @10:30AM at the Amphitheatre Scholastic Bookfair 9:30AM-4:30PM	31 Scholastic Bookfair 9:30AM-2:30PM

COLOR KEY: Young Children 0-5 Older Children 5+ Tween/Teens 11+ All Ages Adult 18+