MAY 2025

ANDOVER NEWS

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.





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!

Thank you to our sponsors and supporters



316-558-3500

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.

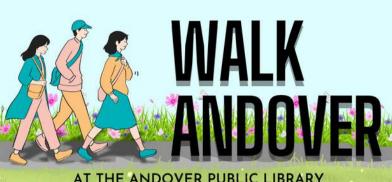
Evening Sessions Monday, May 5th 6PM Monday May 19th 6PM

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.



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 2dh1] at (316) 321-9600 RD biprewer@ksuedu. 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.







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.



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-6PM

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 10:30AM

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

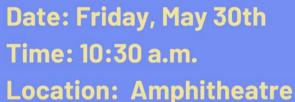
Create and share your own comics! We provide templates and inspiration to get your creativity going. New members are always welcome, and no registration required.

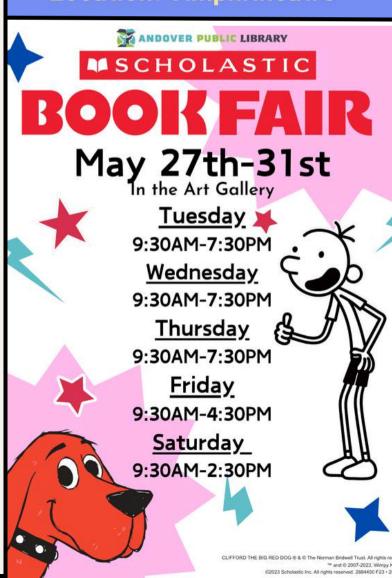
Summer Reading Kickoff Event

Color Our World The geography of planet Earth

Dino

O'Dell







CREATIVE EVENTS



ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

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 15th 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.**

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 Chivoko 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



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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