

NEW NEWSLETTER



**September Newsletter
now available**



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

RECENT HAPPENINGS!

Summer is officially over and fall is here. The weather may not be cooling down, but things are slowing down here at the library.

We still had a few fun events for the end of summer, like a performance of indigenous music and a fun, interactive workshop led by Taiomah Rutledge.

Chiaw-Weai Loo also led an art workshop on Chinese brush painting, and you can see her own brush paintings on display on the Project Wall.

We also have some big news this month: there will be no more overdue fees for children's books, starting September 1st. This will only be children's books; all other items will still carry late fees. Talk to the front desk to learn more.

There are some more fun events coming up this fall, such as the GAD art show, Kanread, storytime, and more! Take a look at what's happening at APL this September.

Taiomah and Kineu Rutledge shared a powwow song during the Indigenous art workshop.



Artists at work during the Chinese Brush Painting workshop. Photos of the finished works will be on display in the Creative Cove.



ART CONTEST

\$10 PER ENTRY

Please drop payment at Andover Public Library. Cash or check accepted. Checks can be made out to "City of Andover".

THEME: "We the People of Andover"

This year's GAD will be celebrating the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence so think all things AMERICAN! Stars, stripes, fireworks, freedom and history.

Submission: August 1-September 16, 2026

Art will be on display at the Andover Public Library during Greater Andover Days.

CATEGORIES & AGE DIVISIONS

Young Creatives (5-17)

Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
New prize category for CREATIVE SPARK (AGES 5-10) • One (1) \$25 gift card

All art combined painting, drawing, digital art (no AI), photography, fiber arts, and collage.

Adult Visionaries (18 & up)

Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
All art combined painting, drawing, digital art (no AI), photography, fiber arts, and collage



Scan the QR code to learn more!

Join us for an opening reception on Thursday, October 1, 5:30 - 7 p.m. Remarks at 6 p.m. At the Andover Public Library

ADULT EVENTS

First Friday

18 & up

Friday, September 4th 9:30AM

Join us in the Friends Room for coffee, conversation and a fun sunflower craft. Email friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com to sign up.

BINGO

21 & up

Monday, September 8th 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. Must RSVP before September 5th

BUNCO

21 & up

Wednesday, September 16th 6PM

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

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Halloween COOKIE DECORATING CLASS



AGES
16+

- You'll learn about icing consistencies, outlining and flooding using royal icing.
- All supplies are provided.
- Each participant will leave with 5 decorated cookies.

**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 10**

10:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Andover Public Library
1511 E. Central Ave.
Andover, KS 67002

COST:

\$30 per person

\$25 for Friends of
the Library members

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

Noon, Wednesday, October 7

PREPAYMENT IS REQUIRED.

Email aplfriendevent@gmail.com
to register and arrange prepayment.



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
Friends of the Andover Library
AND KRISTIE Z'S COOKIES

Ages 18+

American Mahjong

Wednesday Play

Every Wednesday*

12:30–3:30pm

drop-in play, no sign-up required

Guided Play

For players who have completed lessons and want a slower pace of play. Experienced players will be available to help.

Thursdays,

5:30–7:30pm

Sign up required

Intermediate/Advanced Play

Every 1st & 3rd Monday of the Month*

5:30–7:30pm

Sign up required. Bring \$3.00 in change.

To sign-up or to learn more information on lessons, email aplfriendevent@gmail.com

*Mahjong will not be held on dates the library is closed.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library

CHILDREN'S & TEENS EVENTS

Lego Club

Thursday, September 10th
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.

Tween Book Club

Monday, September 14th
5PM-6PM

September's pick is "Louder Than Hunger" by John Schu

Sign up at the front desk and email apltweenbookclub@gmail.com for any questions.

Teen Advisory Board

Thursday, September 24th
5PM-6PM

Want to make a difference at your library? Have ideas for programs, books, or events? Join the TEEN ADVISORY BOARD! Help plan teen events, recommend books & games, earn volunteer hours, make new friends, and build leadership skills. Must sign up in advance. Stop by the library for more information and applications or email: awilson@andoverlibrary.org

Comic Club

Wednesday, September 30th
5PM-6PM

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.

back to school

STORYTIME

AUGUST 17TH THRU SEPTEMBER 23RD

TWOS TIME

AGE: 2 YRS.

MON. 10:30

TUES. 9:30

PRESCHOOL

AGE: 3-5 YRS.

TUES. 10:30

WED. 10:30

BABY & ME

AGE: 0-18 MOS.

WED. 9:30



ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY



STORYCORNER

WITH



The Rushwood

SENIOR LIVING



DATE: TUESDAY, SEPT. 15TH

TIME: TWOS 9:30 A.M.

PRESCHOOL 10:30 A.M.

LOCATION: STORY LAB



ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

ART SHOWS & OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS



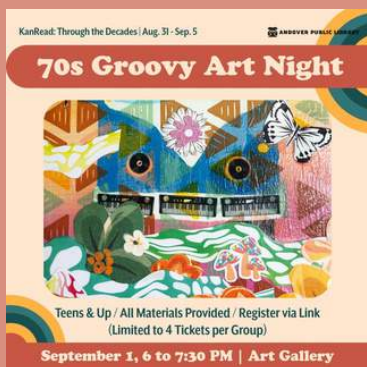
“Belonging to the Earth” by Lori Santos

Belonging to the Earth explores the deep relationships between nature, culture, and community. Through mixed-media works created with natural and reclaimed materials, Santos invites viewers to slow down, observe closely, and reconnect with the living world. Her work reflects gratitude, reciprocity, and the belief that caring for the Earth also means caring for ourselves and future generations. **This show will be on display in the Art Gallery July 30th to September 16th.**

Follow the artist on Instagram: @art4peaceprofessorsantos

Summer Time by Chiaw-Weai Loo

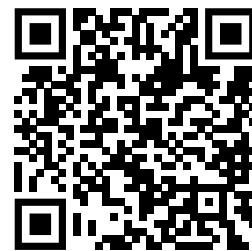
Summer Time by Chiaw-Weai Loo presents a delicate world of ink, watercolor, and Chinese brush painting on Xuan paper. Guided by a balance of control and freedom, Loo uses flowing brushstrokes, open space, and gentle color to create images that feel both playful and contemplative. Her work captures the warmth and simplicity of the season while inviting viewers to slow down, imagine, and find quiet stories within each composition. **This show will be on display on the Project Wall August 6th-September 16th. Follow the artist on Instagram: @chiawweai**



70s Groovy Art Night September 1st 6-7:30PM

Welcome back to the 70s! In this workshop, participants will create a unique collage using papers, stamps, and washi tape inspired by the bold patterns and colors of the decade. Using Mod Podge, canvas board, scrapbook paper, tissue paper, and decorative embellishments, participants will combine a variety of visual elements into a cohesive work of art. Bring your creativity and imagination for an evening of groovy art-making fun!

This workshop is part of the KanRead: Through the Decades program. To keep the 70s inspiration going, browse and check out our display of books published in the 1970s in the library lobby.



**Cancellations must be notified to the library at least 24 hours before the event begins. No-shows may negatively affect future workshop registrations.*

Register online on Event Brite or scan the QR code.

KanRead through the Decades

The libraries of the KanShare Consortium present this collaborative program! Each event will host their own grand prize drawing and offer exciting activities.

This year, KanRead through the Decades explores trends through time. Each library has selected a specific decade to inspire an event.

For more information about the decades, pick up this year's KanRead Recommends booklet!

Park City Public Library
The 1980s
Vinyl Record Painting
Friday, August 21 at 6 p.m.
Patrons 16+ will travel back to the totally radical '80s for a craft event with materials provided.
Registration Required. Call 316-744-6318 to register.

Mulvane Public Library
The 2000's
Y2K Craft Night
Monday, August 24 at 6 p.m.
Make beaded rings, paint CDs and tote bags, and color fun pages while watching classic Y2K shows! Popcorn and refreshments will also be provided.
No Registration Required and open to teens & adults

Andover Public Library
The 1970's
70's Groovy Art Night
Tuesday, Sept. 1 at 6 p.m.
Create a groovy 1970s-inspired collage using colorful papers, stamps, and washi tape with materials provided.
For Teens & Up. Registration Required. Call 316-558-3500.

Goddard Public Library
The 1920s
Roaring '20s Trivia Night
Saturday, Sept. 19 at 6 p.m.
Test your knowledge of the Jazz Age and wear your best 1920s-inspired attire with refreshments provided.
Registration Required and available on website.

Augusta Public Library
The 1940s
1940s Film Trivia
Monday, Sept. 21 at 5:30 p.m.
Test your knowledge of classic Hollywood glamour stars like Cary Grant and Ingrid Bergman with this trivia event.
Registration Required. To register, call 316-775-2681.

Rose Hill Public Library
The 1990s
Book Bedazzling
Thursday, Oct. 1 at 6 p.m.
Let's go back to the 90's and celebrate the bestselling author, Janet Evanovich, by decorating our own book covers.
Registration Required. Call 316-776-3013 to register.

Bradford Memorial Public Library (El Dorado)
The 1950s
Dockum Drug Store Sit-In
Wednesday, October 7 at 6 p.m.
Join Prisca Barnes-Simmons, Ed.D., Founder and CEO of Storytime Village, Inc., for a fascinating presentation.
No Registration Required.

Derby Public Library
The 1960s
Killer Publicity: A KanRead Murder Mystery Night
Friday, October 16 at 7 p.m.
The typewriters are clacking in this 1960's office-themed mystery featuring mod fashion and scandalous drama.
Registration Required. Call 316-788-0760 to register.

CONTACT THE CORRESPONDING LIBRARY FOR REGISTRATION INFO.