

This Month at The Urbana Free Library



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Spring into CU Community Arts

Can you believe it's April once again? The tulips are almost ready to bloom and it's time to take pleasure in the talent and diversity that can be found through the arts in our community.

During the **Boneyard Arts Festival** on April 16-19, your library will celebrate the arts as a venue participant in this annual community-wide event. From music programs and art displays to events associated with the **CU Big Read**, you can tune in and turn on to the arts at your library.

On Friday, April 3, point your glass coach to **The Fairy Tale Ball**, a special after-hours event that will highlight your library's extraordinary collection of international folk and fairy tales. There'll be music, dancing, a costume parade, and much more! On Tuesday, April 7, the library will present an **Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Lecture** featuring Rhodes professor of American History and Lincoln Prize author, Richard Carwardine.

Don't forget other regularly scheduled programs, such as the **UFLive!** and **Prairie Breezes** concert series, and the **Family Film Fest**. For more information about library programs, visit the online calendar at urbanafreelibrary.org, call the library at 367-4057, or stop by one of our service desks.

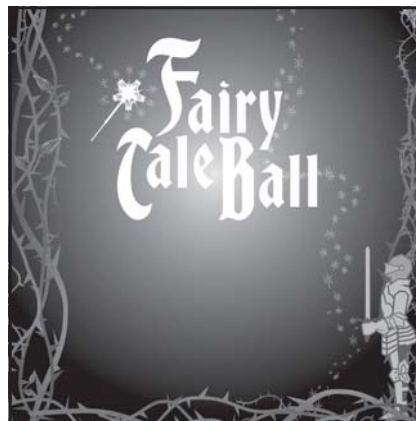
Fairy Tale Ball • Friday, April 3

6:00 - 9:00 p.m. • Special After-Hours Event!

Join us for an evening of enchantment as we help you create magical memories at the library's gala **Fairy Tale Ball**. Wear a sparkly ball gown, a shiny suit of armor, or dress as your favorite fairy tale character for the royal costume parade. Gather in the ballroom and dance on a cloud, test your skill at medieval games, make courtly crafts, or cast a wish at the imperial wishing well.

The noble entertainers of the **Fairy Tale Ball** include the **Central Illinois English Country Dancers** and **The Flatland Consort**, the **Ginger Lozar Puppet Show**, the University of Illinois **Juggling and Unicycle Club**, the University of Illinois a cappella ensemble **The Girls Next Door**, and the supernatural suppositions of **Madame Zitron**.

At the **Fairy Tale Ball**, you can visit one of the royal reading tents and listen to your favorite fables of yore. Before the clock strikes the hour of nine on the evening of the ball, don't forget to check out your library's amazing collection of international fairy tales and folklore! Come one! Come all! Your majesty's family and friends can all enjoy the merriment.



The 2009 Fairy Tale Ball

Friday, April 3
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Special After-Hours Event!

Generously sponsored by



This Month's Events

Art gallery – Framed pieces by **International Galleries**.

CU Big Read 2009 - Display in the library's exhibit case.

- 1** (W) - **CU Big Read Film Noir**. Enjoy the 1944 film, *Murder, My Sweet*. Lewis Auditorium. 7:00-8:45 p.m.
- 3** (F) - **Fairy Tale Ball**. Special after-hours event for fairy tale lovers of all ages. See front page for more information. 6:00-9:00 p.m.
- 4** (Sa) - **Reading the History in Old Family Photographs**. Learn the rich historic and cultural information that may be found in old family photographs. Lewis Auditorium. 1:00-4:00 p.m. For more information, call 367-4025.
- 5** (Su) - **Family Film Fest**. Join us for family fun and watch *High School Musical*. Lewis Auditorium. 2:00-4:15 p.m.
- 6, 13, 20** (M) - **Film Crew @ The Urbana Free Library**. We provide the cameras and the training to help teens create a film. Lewis Auditorium. 3:30-6:00 p.m.
- 7** (Tu) - **Election Day**. Polling location for Cunningham Precinct 10. MacFarlane-Hood Reading Room. 6:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
- 7** (Tu) - **Girl Talk**. Friends, music, and lots of girl talk for junior and high school girls. Lewis Auditorium. 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- 7** (Tu) - **Friends of The Urbana Free Library**. Monthly meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 7** (Tu) - **Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Lecture**. Lincoln Prize author, Richard Carwardine. Jean Evans Archives Room. 7:00-8:45 p.m.
- 8** (W) - **Research Night at the Archives**. Jean Evans Archives Room. 6:00-8:45 p.m.
- 8** (W) - **7 Pedals and 46 Strings**. **Prairie Breezes** concert series. The magical and lyrical sounds of the harp with Amanda Krueger. Lewis Auditorium. 6:30-7:15 p.m.
- 12** (Su) - **Library Closed for Spring Holiday**.
- 14** (Tu) - **Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees**. Monthly meeting. Jean Evans Archives Room. 7:30-9:00 p.m.
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- 15** (W) - **CU Big Read Film Noir**. Enjoy the 1950 film, *Gun Crazy*. Lewis Auditorium. 7:00-8:45 p.m.
- 17** (F) - **CU Big Read Keynote Address: Film Noir: Dangerous Men and Deadly Dames**. Special after-hours event. Professor Pat Gill from the University of Illinois. Busey-Mills Reading Room. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

(more calendar details on page 3)

A Celebration of Children's Art

April 14 - 27

Back by popular demand, the library will highlight the talent of young artists during this year's **Boneyard Arts Festival**. The exhibit will feature works by young artists from Urbana School District #116 and the Hua Nian Art Studio.



Drop by any time the library is open and head to Children's Services on the ground floor to view **A Celebration of Children's Art**. The artistic talent of these young artists will amaze you!

Move It! Play It! Sing It!

Part I • Friday, April 17 • Lewis Auditorium • 4:45 - 5:30 p.m.
Part II • Saturday, April 18 • Lewis Auditorium • 3:45 - 5:15 p.m.

In collaboration with Urbana School District #116, and as a venue for the **Boneyard Arts Festival**, please join us for two very special afternoon dance and choral performances that will feature the musical talents of children in our community.



Move It! Shake It! Sing It!, Part I will display the dance steps of the fine arts students of the Prairie Dance Troupe. During **Move It! Shake It! Sing It!, Part II** we'll be entertained by the fine arts students of the Yankee Ridge Chorus, the Leal Chorus, and the Yankee Ridge Dance Troupe.

Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Lecture: Professor Richard Carwardine

Tuesday, April 7 • Jean Evans Archives Room • 7:00 - 8:45 p.m.

Professor Richard Carwardine is the Rhodes Professor of American History at St. Catherine's College, Oxford University; he has recently been elected the next President of Corpus Christi College, Oxford. He specializes in the early years of the American Republic and the American Civil War. His most well-known work is the 2004 book **Lincoln: A Life of Purpose and Power**, a political biography. The book won the 2004 Lincoln Prize, which is awarded annually for the best non-fiction historical work on the American Civil War. Professor Carwardine is also the recipient of a special Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial edition of the Order of Lincoln, the highest honor awarded by the state of Illinois.

Sponsored through a generous grant from the Abraham Lincoln Illinois Bicentennial Commission. Endorsed by the Illinois Library System Director's Organization For more information, please visit www.lincolnread2009.org.



THE MALTESE FALCON

The CU Big Read 2009

Join the rest of Champaign-Urbana in reading this iconic detective novel during The CU Big Read, hosted by the Champaign Public Library and The Urbana Free Library, March 28 to April 30.

CU Big Read Film Noir Series: *Murder, My Sweet*

Wednesday, April 1 • Lewis Auditorium • 7:00 - 8:45 p.m.

Join us for a viewing of *Murder, My Sweet*, the 1944 adaptation of Raymond Chandler's novel, *Farewell, My Lovely*. In the film, private eye Philip Marlowe searches for a missing woman. The case leads Marlowe on the trail of deceit, perjury, and theft. Local critic and columnist P. Gregory Springer will provide an introduction.

CU Big Read Film Noir Series: *Gun Crazy*

Wednesday, April 15 • Lewis Auditorium • 7:00 - 8:45 p.m.

Come view *Gun Crazy*, a 1950 film based on a short story by MacKinlay Kantor. When a gun-crazy young man teams up with a greedy, sharp-shooting female, a crime spree begins. P. Gregory Springer will join us again to discuss the film.

CU Big Read Keynote Address

Film Noir: Dangerous Men and Deadly Dames
Friday, April 17 • Busey-Mills Reading Room • 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Professor Pat Gill from the University of Illinois will speak on the film noir genre in general and the film adaptation of *The Maltese Falcon*. Come enjoy this special after-hours event at The Urbana Free Library.

UFLive! Concert Series: Boneyard Jazz Quintet

Sunday, April 19 • Busey-Mills Reading Room • 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

In conjunction with the CU Big Read, this acclaimed local group will entertain with tunes from the era of *The Maltese Falcon* and more. Band members are Armand Beaudoin (bass and cello), Jeff Magby (drums), Morgan Powell (trombone), Tom Wirtel (trumpet and flugelhorn), and Woody Woodward (piano).



19 (Su) - *Boneyard Jazz Quintet*. UFLive! concert series. Tunes from the era of *The Maltese Falcon* and more. Lewis Auditorium. 2:00-3:30 p.m.

23 - 27

(Th-M) - *Friends of The Urbana Free Library Used Book Sale*. Lewis Auditorium. See back page for more information.

26 (Su) - *UFL Reads*. Adult book club. Join us as we discuss *The Maltese Falcon*, by Dashiell Hammett. MacFarlane-Hood Reading Room. 2:00-3:00 p.m.

28 (Tu) - *Urbana Free Library Foundation*. Monthly meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 7:00-8:30 p.m.

For a complete schedule of all current and upcoming events at The Urbana Free Library, visit urbanafreelibrary.org and view the library's online events calendar.

LIBRARY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

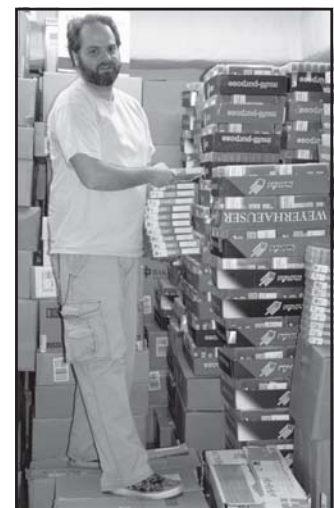
Circulation (renewals)	367-4057
Adult Reference Desk	367-4405
Children's Question Desk	367-4069
Champaign Co. Historical Archives	367-4025
Administration	367-4058
TTY for hearing-impaired	367-4405

WEBSITE & ONLINE CATALOG

urbanafreelibrary.org

LIBRARY HOURS

Adult and Children's Services	
9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Friday - Saturday
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Sunday
Champaign County Historical Archives	
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Monday - Saturday
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Sunday



Look what Brian found at The UFL!

Brian adds more VHS titles withdrawn from the library collection to the growing number that will be available at the Friends Book Sale. Currently Brian works in the library's Acquisitions Department, but for many years was a familiar face at Circulation Services. (See back page for more information.)



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The Friends of The Urbana Free Library Spring Used Book Sale

Thursday - Monday, April 23 - 27 • Lewis Auditorium

Mark your calendars and come join hundreds of treasure seekers at **The Friends of The Urbana Free Library Used Book Sale** in the library's Lewis Auditorium on April 23-27. Members of the Friends are invited to a special presale on Thursday evening, April 23. The book sale will feature the sale of a large number of undamaged titles weeded from the library's VHS collection. Please note that VHS titles will not be available for sale until Friday, April 24.

Not a member of the Friends yet? Use

the handy membership form below, which you may drop in the mail or turn in to staff at any library service desk.

Each week, generous supporters donate to the library hundreds of used books and other items. While the majority of donations are placed in the Friends book sales or the Rinehart Library Shop, items of current or local interest, those in excellent condition, and recent publications are added to the library's collection. While some donations fill gaps or boost a subject area in the

collection, others are added to replace older or damaged items with a fresh new face. Gift items are an important addition to the library's collection. We thank you!



The Friends of The Urbana Free Library
 210 West Green Street
 Urbana, Illinois 61801-5326

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name _____ Phone _____ e-mail _____ FAX _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

TO JOIN OR CONTRIBUTE . . . Annual membership is \$10.00 for each adult. Junior membership (12 years and younger) is \$1.00. Any additional contribution is welcome. The Friends of The Urbana Free Library is a not-for-profit organization. All gifts are tax deductible.

Please check one: Renewing member New member

Please check one: Adult member Junior member

I would like to: Consult with The Urbana Free Library Foundation about a gift for library development.

Enclosed is: \$ _____ for membership
 \$ _____ for Friends' projects

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Most events take place in the Lewis Auditorium.
Unless noted, registration is not required. All programs are free.

Children's Services Library Hours:
210 W. Green St., Urbana, Illinois Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
217.367.4069 Friday - Saturday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
urbanafreelibrary.org Sunday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Events for children and families at The Urbana Free Library

BABIES' LAP TIME

Wednesday, April 1 and Monday, April 20
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21, and 28
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.
For children ages birth to 24 months with an adult

Enjoy rhymes, music, and activities for our youngest patrons.

PRESCHOOL TALES

Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.
Monday, April 27
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
For preschool children and their families
Books, stories, songs, and more are all part of the fun!

THE FAIRY TALE BALL

Friday, April 3
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
For everyone!
Hear ye! Hear ye! Bring your royal friends to this special after-hours event sponsored by Target. Dance in our ballroom, watch a royal puppet show, and be amazed by the jugglers! Dress as your favorite fairy tale character for the costume parade and other festivities!

GERMAN STORY TIME

in Megan's Reading Room
Saturday, April 4
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
For families
Join us for stories in German and English with the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures.

FAMILY FILM FEST:

High School Musical
Sunday, April 5
2:00 - 4:15 p.m.
For families
Watch Troy and Gabriella sing and dance through an exciting year of high school in the popular movie *High School Musical*.

TODDLER TIME:

Bunnies and Chicks
Wednesday, April 8
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.
For children ages 2 - 4 with an adult
Hop or peck your way through stories and songs, then make your own bunny or chick craft to take home.

**PRAIRIE BREEZES
CONCERT SERIES:
7 Pedals and 46 Strings with
Amanda Krueger**

Wednesday, April 8
6:30 - 7:15 p.m.
For families
Enjoy the magical and lyrical sounds of the harp.

**WRITE ON!:
Creative Writing Workshop**

Thursday, April 9
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
For children in grade 3 and up
Registration begins immediately
Sharpen your pencil and come to an afternoon workshop to focus on the craft of writing with librarian Elaine Bearden.

ANIMAL DRAWING in Megan's Reading Room

Saturday, April 11
1:00 - 1:45 p.m.
For children age 4 - 10, under 7 with an adult
Join artist Hua Nian for animal drawing lessons.

SPANISH STORY TIME in Megan's Reading Room

Saturday, April 11
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
For families
Hola! Enjoy stories, songs, and activities in English and Spanish with the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies.

A CELEBRATION OF CHILDREN'S ART

Tuesday, April 14 - Monday, April 27
Enjoy works of young artists from Urbana School District #116 and the Hua Nian Art Studio as part of the **Boneyard Arts Festival**.

MOVE IT! PLAY IT! SING IT!

PART I - Friday, April 17:
Prairie Dance Troupe • 4:45 - 5:30 p.m.

PART II - Saturday, April 18:
Yankee Ridge Chorus • 3:45 - 4:15 p.m.
Leal Chorus • 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.
Yankee Ridge Dance Troupe
4:45 - 5:15 p.m.

For all ages

Celebrate the **Boneyard Arts Festival** with Elementary fine arts students from Urbana School District #116.

MIDDLE EAST STORY TIME in Megan's Reading Room

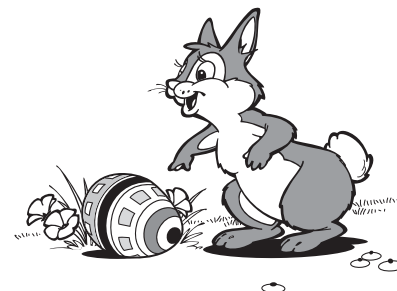
Saturday, April 18
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
For families
Join Angela Williams of the Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies for a **Middle East Story Time** with activities, music, and stories.

TODDLER TIME: In My Garden

Wednesday, April 22
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.
For children ages 2 - 4 with an adult
It's time for growing things! Enjoy songs and stories about gardens, then plant seeds to take home.

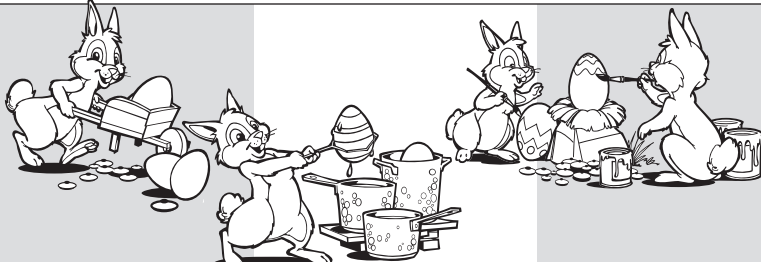


CINDERELLA STORYTIME

Thursday, April 30
2:00 - 2:30 p.m.
For children of all ages, under 7 with an adult
Join the Champaign Urbana Ballet for a storytime to preview their upcoming production of *Cinderella* (May 8, 9, 10). Dancers will talk about the ballet and show their costumes after the storytime.



CHILDREN'S EVENTS

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	2 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	3 The Fairy Tale Ball 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. 	4 German Story Time 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
5 Family Film Fest: <i>High School Musical</i> 2:00 - 4:15 p.m.	6	7 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	8 Toddler Time: Bunnies and Chicks 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Prairie Breezes : <i>7 Pedals and 46 Strings</i> with Amanda Krueger 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	9 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. Write On!* 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	10	11 Animal Drawing 1:00 - 1:45 p.m. Spanish Story Time 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
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26	27 Preschool Tales: Starlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	28 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	29	30 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. Cinderella Storytime 2:00 - 2:30 p.m.	 KID'S CHESS CLUB Sponsored by CU Kids Chess. Saturdays, April 4, 11, 18 and 25 4:00 - 5:45 PM For children who play chess. Meet with other kids who play chess.	

* registration required

For detailed information on these programs, see back.