

This Month at The Urbana Free Library

Rendering of library expansion by Ray Lytle.

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What's New and How Can I Find It?

Each month, The Urbana Free Library adds nearly 2,000 items to its collection. From the latest in adult and children's titles to recently released movies you've been dying to watch on DVD, the library staff carefully order and process materials so they are available for you on the day of their release, or soon after.

But how do you find new materials?

- All new **adult fiction and nonfiction** book selections can be found attractively displayed in the Knox New Book Room on the first floor. Located near the Race Street entrance, the new book room is a hidden treasure that every book lover should know.



- All new **children's fiction and nonfiction** book titles are proudly displayed in a separate, but very visible, set of shelves inside the entrance to Children's Services. It's the best place to browse and find the latest in picture books and chapter titles for your eager readers.
- Want to learn what's new in the **DVD collection**? In Adult Services, a print list of recently added DVD titles is available in the audiovisual selection area on the first floor. Of course, you can always ask one of the library staff to help you locate a title or you can see what's new from home at urbanafreelibrary.org/lists/dvds/.
- What about **audiobooks and CDs**? As you browse, look for the "NEW" section located at the beginning of each genre. And, thanks to our clever displays, you can still see what titles are in the library collection even if they happen to be checked out.

If you prefer fondly remembered titles from the past – don't worry. We have those too. The library consistently receives accolades for the depth of our collection, which has new and popular titles and your favorite titles from the past. The strength of our collection is thanks to the library staff who know our community so well.

As always, library staff are on hand to help you locate what you need or place hold requests for you. Or you can do it yourself through the library website at urbanafreelibrary.org.

The Knox New Book Room was made possible by a generous gift from Pam and Phil Knox in honor of their children Kelly Knox and Kyle Knox.

This Month's Events

Library Gallery - Framed prints by
Cinema Gallery.

**Library Exhibit Case -
Literature: At the Heart of Our Lives.**
The 2010 Youth Literature Festival.

- 2 (Sa) - Urbana Free Library Staff at Market at the Square.** Library information, free balloons, and stories. Lincoln Square Village. 7:30-11:30 a.m.
- 3 (Su) - Author Talk: Alice McGinty.** Celebrate the release of the author's new children's book, *Eliza's Kindergarten Pet*. Lewis Auditorium. 3:00-3:45 p.m.
- 5 (Tu) - Girl Talk.** Fun activities for middle and high school girls. This month, let's be creative and help Crisis Nursery. Register online at web.extension.illinois.edu/champaign. You can also call 333-7672 or email kleissjm@illinois.edu. Lewis Auditorium. 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- 5 (Tu) - Friends of The Urbana Free Library.** Meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 8 (Fr) - Author Talk: Jenny Meyerhoff.** School-age children and their families are invited to meet the author of *Third Grade Baby*. Lewis Auditorium. 10:30-11:15 a.m.
- 12 (Tu) - Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees.** Meeting. Jean Evans Archives Room. 7:30-9:00 p.m.
- 13 (We) - Prairie Breezes Concert Series.** Join Jeff Mondak and Joe Martin for songs and poetry. Lewis Auditorium. 6:30-7:15 p.m.
- 15 (Fr) - Reception for Faculty and Students of the UIUC Graduate School of Library and Information Science.** Lewis Auditorium. 4:00-6:00 p.m.
- 16 (Sa) - Champaign County Historical Archives Workshop Series: Finding Grandma's Ancestors.** For registration information, contact the Champaign County Historical Archives at 367-4025. Lewis Auditorium. 10:30 a.m.-Noon.
- 16 (Sa) - Home Movie Day.** Celebrate amateur films and filmmaking and learn how best to care for them. Lewis Auditorium. 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- 17 (Su) - UFLive! Concert Series.** Catch the remixed Irish, Appalachian, Old Timey, and swingin' music of the Mean Lids. Busey-Mills Reading Room. 2:00-3:30 p.m.
- 24 (Su) - UFL Reads! Author Encores.** Join us as we discuss *Shanghai Girls* by Lisa See. MacFarlane-Hood Reading Room. 2:00-3:00 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.

To sign up for email notification of events, visit urbanafreelibrary.org and follow the **E-Notification** link on the homepage to the online form.



Home Movie Day

Saturday, October 16 • 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Lewis Auditorium

Do you have old 8mm, Super 8, 16mm, VHS, or Beta home movies stuffed in a box somewhere? Join us to learn how to preserve your filmed memories as your library hosts the fourth annual **Home Movie Day**.

Home Movie Day is a celebration of amateur films and filmmaking held annually at many local venues worldwide. The event provides the opportunity for individuals and families to see and share their own home movies with an audience in their community, and to see their neighbors in turn. It's a chance to discover why to care about these films and to learn how best to care for them.

This event is co-sponsored by the Preservation Working Group at The University of Illinois and the Champaign County Historical Archives. For more information about Home Movie Day, visit homemovieday.com.

Author Talks @ The UFL



Alice McGinty

Sunday, October 3 • 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.
Lewis Auditorium

On October 3, children and their families are invited to meet local author Alice McGinty as she celebrates the release of her new book, *Eliza's Kindergarten Pet*. Alice will read, sign copies of her books, and introduce us to her friend Cookie the guinea pig.

Children will also have the opportunity to decorate baked cookies and create paper versions of Cookie that we will display at the library.

Copies of Alice's books will be available for sale and for signing during the program courtesy of Jane Addams Book Shop. For more information about Alice McGinty, see alicebmcginty.com.

Local author Alice McGinty is the award-winning author of over 40 books for children. Many of her books, such as *Darwin* and *Eliza's Kindergarten Surprise* can be found in Children's Services. Need help finding them? Ask at the question desk!



Jenny Meyerhoff

Friday, October 8 • 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.
Lewis Auditorium

On October 8, meet Jenny Meyerhoff, author of *Third Grade Baby*. Jenny will share tips for writing and will read from her own work during this presentation for school-age children and their families.

Jenny Meyerhoff is appearing at The UFL in collaboration with the **Youth Literature Festival**. Visit youthlitfest.education.illinois.edu for more information.

Jenny Meyerhoff studied creative writing at the University of Michigan, and received her master's degree in education at Northwestern University. You can find out more about the author at www.jennymeyerhoff.com.

UFL Reads! Author Encores Sunday, October 24 • 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. MacFarlane-Hood Reading Room



Join UFL Reads! book club members as we enjoy our favorite authors once again. In October, we'll discuss *Shanghai Girls*, an encore by author Lisa See.

Snow Flower and the Secret Fan, See's best-selling novel and our UFL Reads! choice for July 2008, transported readers to nineteenth century China with a tale about two women with very different backgrounds.

Set in Shanghai in the 1930s, *Shanghai Girls* is the story of two well-educated and sophisticated sisters, May and Pearl. With their family on the verge of bankruptcy and their country at war, the sisters leave China for arranged marriages in the United States. Faced with the challenge of new lives in a new country while still bound to long-established customs, May and Pearl conceal a secret that will alter each of their fates.

Copies of *Shanghai Girls* are available at The UFL. You can request a copy via the library's catalog at urbanafreelibrary.org, by calling 367-4405, or just stop by Adult Services on your next visit.

On November 28, UFL Reads! Author Encores will discuss *Stones into Schools* by Greg Mortenson.

In Which the Library Staff Blog...

Once upon a time there was a library. Located in the land of golden corn and beans of soy, the staff ordered library materials to satisfy the needs of everyone – even those with the most informed and discriminating taste. And the people smiled.

One day the talented and inquisitive library staff decided to proclaim and spread the word about the eclectic and diverse collection in their land. Blogs began and staff began to scribe with earnest. And the library staff smiled.

Want to hear what library staff have to say about The UFL collection? Head to the library's website at urbanafreelibrary.org and explore the Adult Services, Archives, Teen Services, and Children's Services blogs. We think you'll enjoy what you read and return for more!



UFLive! Presents the Mean Lids Sunday, October 17 • 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Busey-Mills Reading Room

Never seen without their signature cranial apparel, the Mean Lids are known for their long, lonesome sounds and kicking baritone fiddle chops. With sharp musicianship, the trio will entertain with an eclectic repertoire of remixed Irish, Appalachian, Old Timey, and swingin' music. And their hats – they're also known for having the fanciest, funniest, meanest lids in town!

All UFLive! concerts take place on the third Sunday of most months. The concerts are made possible by a generous donation from The Urbana Free Library Foundation.

LIBRARY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Circulation Services (renewals)	367- 4057
Adult & Teen Services	367- 4405
Children's Services	367- 4069
Champaign Co. Historical Archives	367- 4025
Administrative Offices	367- 4058
TTY for hearing-impaired	531-7066

WEBSITE & ONLINE CATALOG

urbanafreelibrary.org

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

ARCHIVES (LOCAL HISTORY & GENEALOGY)

Monday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.



The Urbana Free Library Fairy Tale Ball

Friday, April 1, 2011

The 2011 Fairy Tale Ball is
generously sponsored by
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Let's Give a Shout Out to All of Our Summer Readers!

Here's some news worth sharing. This summer, the children and teens who signed up for the library's 2010 Summer Reading Program enjoyed 11,773 titles. That's an all-time library record!

The Summer Reading Program may be over, but you can visit the library all year round. New titles arrive every week for you to check out and share with your family, your friends, and even your favorite librarian at The UFL!



THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY FOUNDATION

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Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Yes! I want to help the library with a gift to the Annual Fund in the amount of:

- \$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 Other

Planned Giving

- I would like to receive information about remembering the library in my will and/or other forms of planned giving.

- Check here if you would prefer an electronic version of our monthly newsletter *This Month at The Urbana Free Library*.

Email address: _____

- Check if you do NOT want your name / gift printed in library publications.

Make checks payable to: The Urbana Free Library Foundation

The Urbana Free Library Foundation is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. Your gift is tax deductible to the extent permitted by law. Additional forms are available in the library or on our website at urbanafreelibrary.org/support_tuflfoundation

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Programs for children and families at The Urbana Free Library

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

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

Market at the Square

Saturday, October 2
7:30 – 11:30 a.m.

You can find almost anything at the farmer's market—including us! Visit our table for library information, free balloons, and stories.

Paperback Book Swap

Saturday, October 2
Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Preschool and elementary school-age children

It's "out with the old and in with the new" at our book swap. Bring in your like-new paperbacks to exchange for other kids' books.

Russian Story Time

Saturday, October 2
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Children of all ages

Come enjoy a story time cosponsored by the Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center at UIUC.

Chess Club for Kids

Saturdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30
4:00 – 5:45 p.m.

Children of all ages

Calling all kids! Join us on Saturday afternoons if you would like to learn to play chess or are looking for an opportunity to improve your skills.

Author Talk!: Alice McGinty

Sunday, October 3
3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Children of all ages and their families

Help Alice McGinty celebrate her new book *Eliza's Kindergarten Pet* with Cookie the guinea pig. Books for signing will be on sale courtesy of Jane Addams Book Shop.

Babies' Lap Time

Tuesdays, October 5, 12, 19, and 26
9:45 – 10:15 a.m.
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 6 and
Monday, October 18
6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Children birth to 2 years with an adult

In this program for our youngest library fans, you'll find that it's never too early to learn to love songs, books, and rhymes.

Preschool Story Time

Thursdays, October 7, 14, 21, and 28
9:45 – 10:15 a.m.

Preschool groups and children and their families

You're a big kid now! Come join in the fun as we sing songs and listen to stories in this energetic story time.

Author Talk!: Jenny Meyerhoff

Friday, October 8
10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

School-age children and their families

Jenny Meyerhoff, author of *Third Grade Baby*, will share tips for writing and read from her own work. A Youth Literature Festival event at The UFL.

Youth Literature Festival

Saturday, October 9
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Join library staff at Krannert Center for the Performing Arts.

youthlitfest.education.illinois.edu

Toddler Story Time: Fall Leaves Fall

Wednesday, October 13
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Children 2 to 4 years with an adult

Leaves are falling everywhere!
After stories and songs all about leaves, we'll make a leaf-collecting book to take home.



Look for more great reading suggestions at urbanafreelibrary.org/children/books/ or by reading the *Books & more* blog on The UFL website at urbanafreelibrary.org

Prairie Breezes Mini Concerts for Kids

Wednesday, October 13
6:30 – 7:15 p.m.

Families

Join **Jeff Mondak** and **Joe Martin** for children's songs and poetry. Jeff's verses will tickle your funny bone, as Joe starts your toes tapping with his guitar.

Middle East Story Time

Saturday, October 16
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Families

Explore the Middle East with Angela Williams of the UIUC Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies. This month we'll explore Middle Eastern families with activities, music, and stories.

Write On!

Monday – Thursday, October 18 – 21
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Children in grade 3 and up
Registration begins immediately

Do you like to play with words? Join librarian Elaine Bearden for a four-day creative writing workshop to try new techniques and create books.

Art Lessons for Children

Saturday, October 23
2:00 – 2:45 p.m.

Children ages 5 years and up

Katie Marsan, a UIUC art student, will show children how to create their own paper monsters.

Toddler Time: Piggies

Monday, October 25
6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 27
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Children 2 to 4 years with an adult
This little piggie went, "Wee, wee, wee!" as it ran to The Urbana Free Library for a program about pigs with stories, songs, and a piggie craft.

Wee Love Music!: Un-Halloween Special

Thursday, October 28
10:45 – 11:15 a.m.
11:30 a.m. – Noon

Children birth to 5 years with an adult
Come sing songs and play musical games with Miss Teresa to celebrate the fall season.

Mad Scientist Workshop

Saturday, October 30
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

School-age children

The mad scientist strikes again!
See what's brewing at The Urbana Free Laboratory. Get ready for a scientifically-proven good time.

It's Halloween!

Sunday, October 31
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Children of all ages, 7 and under with an adult

Can't wait for trick-or-treating? Put on your costume and pop in for spooky stories, songs, and crafts.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

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 Children's Services
urbanafreelibrary.org
 October 2010

SUNDAY	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Market at the Square 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. Paperback Book Swap Noon - 1:00 p.m. Russian Story Time 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
3 Author Talk! Alice McGinty 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.	4	5 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	6 Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	7 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	8 Author Talk! Jenny Meyerhoff 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.	9 Youth Literature Festival 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
		12 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	13 Toddler Story Time: Fall Leaves Fall 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Prairie Breezes 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	14 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	15	16 Middle East Story Time 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
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* registration required

For detailed information on these programs, see back.