

December Displays & Exhibits

Art Wall - Come and visit us during December and January to be uplifted with the warm and brilliant colors from a collection of oil paintings by Iowa based artist Annie Guldberg.

Annie Guldberg paints with her heart in the mountains and her feet firmly planted in the Midwest, blending vibrant dreams with an enchantment of the Rocky Mountains. Her paintings spring from an undeniable need to create, and a deep well of passion. She is inspired by her dreams of nature and a vision that can only be satisfied when putting paint to canvas.

The oils provide the texture and depth to Guldberg's work in a way that other mediums do not. Her textures are achieved using only oil paints with her signature alla-prima technique – painting an entire piece at once – and showcasing the consistency of oil paints. In this way, she creates the structure she wants while feeding her fever to get an image completed. Stay tuned to visit her studio virtually in the month of January.



Teen Art Wall - The Art in the Teen Zone is changing with the seasons. Visit an entirely different genre of work in acrylic by Menasha Alumni artist Bailee Koepsel.

Circulation Area Case - Menasha Historical Society is sharing historic photographs and memories of the riverboats that sailed in the Fox River Valley.



Lobby Display Case - The Menasha's VFW Post 2126 will honor the life of World War II veteran, Technical Sargent John B. Damie. He served in a unit of the Red Raiders heavy bomber outfit of the 5th Air Force in New Guinea. His uniforms, medals and recognitions earned while serving will be on display.



December Spice of the Month

December's spice of the month will be a seasonal favorite, rich in both history and flavor: cinnamon! Grab a copy of this month's newsletter filled with facts and uses for this flavoring, as well as a few cinnamon sticks to bring home and dabble with!



Spice of the Month Club has a new offering on the 15th of each month, and you can find it at the reference desk.

All services at the Elisha D. Smith Public Library are free and for everyone. Those with special needs are encouraged to call the library office at 920.967.3662 within 24 hours of an event to assure that specific needs with regards to parking are met.

Todos los servicios de la Biblioteca Elisha D. Smith son gratuitos y para todos. Aquellos con necesidades especiales pueden llamar a la oficina de la biblioteca 920.967.3662 con 24 horas de anticipación a un evento para asegurar que las necesidades específicas de parqueo, acceso al edificio o acceso a las salas de reunión puedan ser satisfechas.

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Fall / Winter Hours
8:30 to 8:30 Monday - Thursday
8:30 to 6:00 Friday
8:30 to 4:30 Saturday
1:00 to 5:00 Sunday

Hours for Curbside Pickup
8:30 to 4:30 Monday - Friday
8:30 to 4:30 Saturday
1:00 to 4:30 Sunday

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History Series - Part II

Tuesday, December 7, at 7:00pm

Protest in the Fox Cities: The War Moratorium of 1969. Fox Cities residents, including students and faculty at Lawrence University, participated in a series of nationwide organized antiwar protests in the fall of 1969. This presentation explores the events and the impact of the antiwar movement in the Fox Cities in 1969.



This program is part of the history series called "The Fox Cities in the Vietnam War Era" presented by UW-Oshkosh-Fox Cities Professor Steven Sheehan. The series will take us from the optimistic early years of the war to the turbulent antiwar protest of the late 1960s, to the establishment of the local Hmong community in the 1980s, these years made an important and lasting impact on our community.

Social distancing and masks are required regardless of vaccination status.

Santa Visits the Library

Tuesday, December 14, at 6:30pm

It turns out that Santa Claus is a great storyteller and plays the ukulele! Everyone, of any age, will enjoy this visit with Santa (aka Otis Miller of Miller & Mike).

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

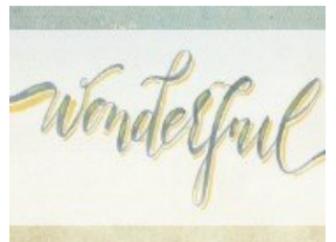
Social distancing and masks are required for ages 2 and up.



Hand Lettering 101

Wednesday, December 15, at 6:00pm

In this tutorial, you will learn the basic elements needed to start the art form of hand lettering. Once you've learned the basic principles, you can create beautiful art and designs with letters. This class shows you simple steps to get you on your way to a final project – a lettering design.



Materials will be provided. For teens and adults 12 years and up. Masks are required.

Space is limited. For reservations call 920.967.3690 or visit the reference desk or send us an email message reference@menashalibrary.org

In the Children's Room

Baby Story Times

Friday, December 3 & 17, at 10:00am

Stories, rhymes, and songs for babies up to 24 months old. Social distancing and masks are required for 2 and up.



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Join us for story time and holiday fun with Santa. Sponsored by the endowment fund. (See front page for more details.)

Bilingual Story Time

Do you like stories read in English and Spanish? Check out our Facebook page BibliotecaPublicadeMenasha with Mr. Victor for stories, puppets, and projects.

December Take & Make

Visit the Children's Room to pick up a surprise take & make craft kit during Christmas Break.



Kits will be available for pickup Monday, December 27 - Friday, December 31 or while supplies last.

Wonderbooks

Playaway is changing the way kids read along. Every Wonderbook is a print book with a ready-to-play audiobook inside. Kids will press play to read along with their favorite books and then switch to learning mode for literacy learning and fun.

In the Children's Room . . .

Check Out:

- Wonderbooks
- Launchpads
- Family Travel Kits
- STEM Kits for Teachers/Day Cares
- Audiobooks, Music CDs
- 1,000 Books before Kindergarten Program



Animated Talking Picture Books

www.menashalibrary.org/stories
www.menashalibrary.org/cuentos

Library Services

Welcome back into the library!

- Sign up for a library card
- Pick up your holds
- Browse for materials to check out
- Use a computer, print, copy, fax, scan
- Use notary service, have a test proctored

Library hours

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With the increased occurrences of COVID-19 cases in our area, patrons age 2 and above are required to wear a mask covering their mouth and nose while in the library regardless of vaccination status.

We're Here to Help with your holiday shopping

Honor someone with a donation to the library with the purchase of a book in her or his name.

A permanent bookplate will be placed inside the book, honoring that person, and the book will be checked out by people in our community for years.

Subject for book:

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Large Print |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's collection | <input type="checkbox"/> Mystery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History | <input type="checkbox"/> Cookbook |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other) _____ | |

Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation of \$ _____
 (\$25 per book is recommended)

My gift is in honor of (name & address):

My name and address:

Make check payable to:
 Elisha D. Smith Public Library
 Bring to any library desk or send to:
 440 1st Street, Menasha, WI 54952

New Arrivals

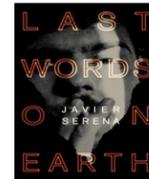
New Fiction & Mysteries



GAME ON
 Evanovich, Janet



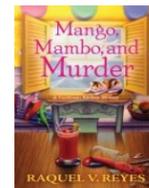
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 Shafak, Elif



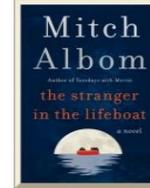
LAST WORDS ON EARTH
 Serena, Javier



THE MEMOIRS OF STOCKHOLM SVEN
 Miller, Nathaniel Ian



MANGO, MAMBO AND MURDER
 Reyes, Raquel



THE STRANGER IN THE LIFEBOAT
 Albom, Mitch



SPARK
 Hardt, Helen



WHAT A HAPPY FAMILY
 Dave, Saumya

New Nonfiction



1,000 PERFECT WEEKENDS: GREAT GETAWAYS AROUND THE GLOBE



Betty Crocker Best 100
 Crocker, Betty



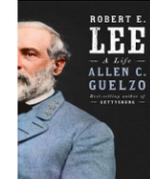
100 THINGS WE'VE LOST TO THE INTERNET
 Paul, Pamela



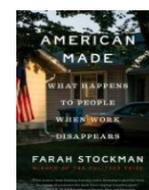
LIVING IN TINY HOMES
 Hellweg, Marion



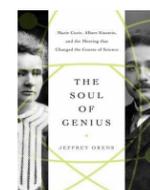
AMAZING SCIENCE
 Andrus, Aubre



ROBERT E. LEE: A LIFE
 Guelzo, Allen C



AMERICAN MADE
 Stockman, Farah



THE SOUL OF GENIUS
 Orens, Jeffrey

@ Your Library in December

Novel Thoughts Book Club

Thursday, December 2, at 10:00am

We will be discussing *The Orphan's Tale* by Pam Jenoff. If you would like a copy of this book, call us at 920.967.3690 or email us at reference@menashalibrary.org



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Virtual Find Your Ancestors

Saturday, December 18, at 9:00am

Family Roots Wisconsin meetings include a time to share news, share genealogy research techniques, and sometimes a speaker.

Nonfiction Book Club

Tuesday, December 21, at 2:00pm

We will be discussing *Wintering* by Katherine May. If you would like a copy of this book, call us at 920.967.3690 or email reference@menashalibrary.org.



Teen / Adult Crafts

Teen Craft

Create your own Pressed Flower Ornament /Gift just in time for the holidays! Stop at our Reference Desk for materials and assistance.



Teen/Adult Take & Make

The Teen/Adult Take & Make will be - Color Your Own Two-Year Pocket Calendar. They will be available at the Reference Desk the final week of December, just in time to get ready for the New Year!



Holiday Hours

Friday, December 24—Closed
Saturday, December 25—Closed
Friday, December 31—Close at 4:00pm
Saturday, January 1—Closed